

EFC KNOX LEGACY SERIES OPENS TICKETS WITH ACCESSIBLE PRICING FOR CAPE TOWN FANS

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Cape Town, South Africa — Tickets for the inaugural EFC KNOX Legacy Series are now on sale, with a tiered pricing structure designed to make the event accessible to as many fans as possible while preserving the premium live experience EFC is known for.

Delivered by EFC in partnership with KNOX Hydrate and the City of Cape Town, and led by South Africa's first UFC champion Dricus du Plessis, the event reflects a shared commitment to growing mixed martial arts through world-class live events.

As part of this commitment, upper-level tickets at GrandWest Grand Arena are available for R20, providing an affordable entry point for fans who want to experience elite MMA live. All ticket holders will receive a complimentary KNOX Hydration on arrival, thanks to the support of KNOX Hydrate and the City of Cape Town.

Speaking on the importance of live events and accessibility, Dricus du Plessis explained that his own career began with attending an EFC event in person.

“From the first day I watched the sport, it was at a live EFC event,” said du Plessis. “I walked into the arena and I couldn’t believe what I was seeing, and I knew I needed to

be there. I want more people to have that opportunity. This vision is about giving back to the sport that gave me everything.”

EFC President Cairo Howarth said the accessible ticketing approach was intentional and central to the event’s purpose.

“We want this event to be open to everyone who wants to be part of it,” said Howarth. “Making sure fans can fill the arena and experience it live is incredibly important to us.”

The City of Cape Town has backed the event as part of its broader support for major international sporting events, with Mayor Geordin Hill-Lewis highlighting both the city’s enthusiasm and the long-term vision behind bringing the event to Cape Town.

“There is a huge fan base in Cape Town, and we know this event will be supported locally and broadcast nationally and internationally,” said Hill-Lewis. “Events like this help show that Cape Town can host world-class combat sports at the highest level.”

KNOX Hydrate co-founder Ethan Hughes said the Legacy Series represents more than a single night of competition.

“The Knox Legacy Series is not just another night of fights,” said Hughes. “It’s a celebration of the legacy of the sport and the opportunities it has created.”

Ticket Categories and Pricing

VIP Hospitality Included

R4890 – Front Row Hexagon Side

R3890 – Second Row Hexagon Side

R2890 – Third Row Hexagon Side

R1890 – Front, Second and Third Row Floor Seating

R1890 – Front Row Grandstands Lower Level

VIP hospitality includes complimentary full-service food and refreshments throughout the event, access to the VIP bar and lounge, and premium seating at Hexagon side.

Lower-Level Seating

R490 – Grandstands Lower Level (Row 2 to back)

R490 – Floor Seating (Rows 4, 5 and 6)

Lower-level seating provides access to fighter walkouts, the best raised views in the arena, and the heart of the live event atmosphere.

Upper-Level Seating

R20 – Grandstands Upper Level (All rows)

Upper-level seating offers an affordable entry point to the event. Access is limited to the upper level and does not include lower-level areas.

All ticket holders will receive a complimentary KNOX Hydration on arrival. VIP hospitality ticket holders receive complimentary full-service food and refreshments throughout the event as part of their hospitality experience.

R20 upper-level tickets are limited to a maximum of two tickets per person. All tickets are available exclusively through Ticketmaster.

Championship Bouts and Featured Athletes

The inaugural EFC KNOX Legacy Series will feature Cape Town's leading athletes facing elite international challengers, including:

Luke Michael of Cape Town defending the EFC middleweight championship against Diego Bandu of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Faeez Jacobs of Cape Town defending the EFC bantamweight title against Australia's Trent Girdham.

Adrian Sanchez of Cape Town competing for the interim EFC lightweight championship against Brazil's Jefferson Pereira.

Tumelo Manyamala of Cape Town advancing to the flyweight Grand Prix final against Ntando Zondi.

Terrance Ballelo of Cape Town opening the main card against Brazil's Kleberson Sousa.

The inaugural EFC KNOX Legacy Series takes place on Thursday, 26 February 2026, live from the GrandWest Grand Arena in Cape Town, as Cape Town's best face elite international challengers on a global stage.

Ticket and broadcast information available at www.efcworldwide.com.

About KNOX Hydrate

KNOX Hydration is a South African wellness brand founded by former UFC middleweight champion and South Africa's first UFC champion, Dricus du Plessis, and Ethan Hughes. Focused on better-for-you products, KNOX makes hydration, replenishment, and recovery accessible for all ages.

Its lineup includes caffeine-free Sparkling Hydration for the whole family and convenient Electrolyte and Hydration sachets for on-the-go performance. Believing optimal hydration powers both body and mind, KNOX helps people operate at their best.

The brand also reinvests in local communities, supporting youth education, fitness initiatives, amateur sports, and emerging athletes, fuelling the next generation's pursuit of purpose.

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