

Stanford

Stanford is a historic little village east of the coastal town of Hermanus. It was established as a farming community. The roads are narrow and the majority still gravel. The houses are full of character and many have been restored to their former glory. There are interesting little shops, art galleries and restaurants and on Saturdays the locals sell their produce at the organic market in the centre of town.

Visit the Birkenhead micro-brewery for a unique beer tasting and lunch. Take children to the Klein River Cheese, a dairy farm 7 km outside Stanford. They can enjoy the extensive playground and tame farm animals - pigs, goats and fowls while you indulge in a picnic basket, but order ahead. The dairy sells their cheeses and has won numerous awards. There are many adventure tours on offer, including 4 x4 trails, quad-biking, hikes and shark-cage diving in the nearby town of Gansbaai.

The Kleinriver passes through Stanford and is home to an abundance of birds and wildlife. There are boat cruises and kayak trips down the river and it is probably the ideal spot for birdwatching. The annual Bird Fair is held in October. Sunset is the ideal time to spot birds and on the Sunset Cruise you can sip a drink whilst floating down the river.

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