

# Villiersdorp

Otherwise known as "The Pearl of the Overberg";

This town was given the name De Villiers Dorp in order to reflect the French influence of its early inhabitants (many were descendants of the French Huguenots). Thus much of the architecture is colonial and the streets are lined with towering oaks and a variety of fruit trees.

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The climate is Mediterranean and this allows for many outdoor activities and also plays a huge role in the fruit farming industry. This beautiful village is surrounded by orchards and vineyards and is also very near the Theewaterskloof Dam which is a source of endless entertainment.

Villiersdorp is along a popular wine route and regular wine tastings are held at the local farmstall, Kelkiewyn. A visit to the Dagbreek Museum will further your insight into the heritage of this town and broaden your knowledge of the Huguenot lifestyle.

Activities in and around Villiersdorp include bowling, swimming, horse and hiking trails, 4 x 4 routes and various watersports. If you are in the area during the month of October, you can join the locals in celebrating the end of winter fruit season with their annual Harvest Festival.

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