Gansbaai & Surrounds

Danger Point Peninsula - an area ruled by the sea and floral abundance. It is here where you will find South Africa's only town boasting the “Big 2”.

Between the working fishing village of Gansbaai and the secluded ocean community of Buffeljachtsbaai, there is an area to explore that is full of secret wonders.
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Gansbaai is an area of contrast. It is situated in the centre of a number of small bays with miles of unspoiled beaches, nature reserves with over 1500 species of Fynbos, ancient Milkwood forests, rocky inlets, caves and spectacular views across Walker Bay. It is a well-known whale watching and great white shark viewing destination.

This quaint traditional fishing village is situated on not one, but two harbours where many fishing trawlers and boats come and go daily, supplying fresh catches to fishmongers and local restaurants.

The area surrounding Gansbaai contains many unexplored yet interesting places. Explore the caves in De Kelders. Hike along the coast and walk along the sandy white beaches of Franskraal and Pearly Beach. Enjoy a tractor ride in the fynbos or spend time in the Strandveld Museum learning about the history of the area. Visit the Dangerpoint Lighthouse and see where the HMS Birkenhead met her doom. Take a journey back in time and experience the mysteries of farm life in Baardskeerdersbos or just relax in the stillness listening to the sounds of nature and enjoy the spectacular sunsets.

This is crayfish country with an annual Crayfish Festival over Easter. Abalone (perlemoen) is professionally farmed in the Dangerpoint area. There are some famous fishing spots and the restaurants serve a number of seafood delights. A variety of accommodation establishments provide rest after an adventure-packed and fun-filled day.

The Gansbaai Festival takes place annually in July in the Gansbaai harbour and the Winter Fynbos (wild flower) show is a great attraction not to be missed.

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