

Stanford

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Stanford Tourism



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things to do ...

1. Country Market – Every Saturday morning, all year round, with produce fresh from farmers, crafters and hobbyists. Sunset Market is on the last Friday of the month.
2. Klein River – Group river cruises, personalised boat trips, canoe and kayak rentals.
3. Wandelpad/trail – Stroll along the Klein River whilst bird watching, or choose a picnic spot with fresh deli goods and wines from the region.
4. Walk on Phillipskop Mountain Reserve to the cave, see the Khoe San rock art, enjoy a dip at the waterfall.
5. Horse Trails – Scenic one or multi-day horse trails and outrides.
6. Birding – Stanford has a wide variety of habitats right on its doorstep. Be sure to visit the Willem Appel Dam bird hide, Wandelpad and outlying areas.
7. Biking – Safe family fun around the village and along the river banks, or mountain biking and quad biking on various farms in the area.
8. Heritage – “Historical Stanford on foot” walking booklets are available in the Tourism Office. Please ask about the guided tour option. Stanford is an architectural treasure chest and is regarded as one of South Africa’s best-preserved villages.
9. Cheese outlet @ Birkenhead Brewery – Enjoy a delicious picnic while the children take pleasure in the extensive playground.
10. African Wings – Breathtaking aerial whale watching flights.
11. Eat & Drink – Explore Stanford’s food scene.
12. Extreme Sports – Book a shark cage diving excursion in Gansbaai, a 20-minutes drive.
13. Stanford Wine Route – Self-drive outing where award-winning wines can be enjoyed slowly. We have our own micro-brewery, a meadery and distillery.
14. Art & Collectables – For lasting memories take home local artwork or treat yourself at some real oldtimer style antique and bric-a-brac shops.
15. Day Trips – to Cape Agulhas, De Hoop Nature Reserve, Napier, Bredasdorp, Arniston, Elim and Baardskeedersbos.
16. Big Cat Sanctuary – Visit Panthera Africa and see the beautiful big cats: lions, leopards, tigers and caracals.

Stanford Facts ...

- * Stanford was awarded ‘Best Village Destination’ in 2012.
- * Stanford was established in 1856.
- * The heart of Stanford surrounding the market square was proclaimed a South African Heritage area in 1995.
- * Although the Klein River is 80 km long, it is the river with the shortest distance between its origin and mouth in the world (5 km as the crow flies).
- * The Klein River Estuary, also referred to as ‘Kleinriversvlei’, is about 10 kilometres long and just over 2 kilometres wide at its widest point.
- * Stanford has a “leiwater” system of water furrows that crisscross the village and is used for garden irrigation.
- * There’s a cheese called Stanford. During a study tour in France a cheese maker developed a magnificent hard cheese and named it after our village. It’s made from milk supplied by 3 local dairy farmers.
- * Almost 200 bird species can be found in and around Stanford. Of the 68 endemic bird species in South Africa, 30 occur within close proximity of Stanford.



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