

MIY-KONOS

In the greater St Francis you can....

St Francis Bay

- 1) **Visit** the monthly **Morning Market**, every last Saturday of the month, over long weekends and every Saturday during peak season. Cell: 083 294 2211
- 2) **Visit** Bruce's Ocean **Museum & Café** at Granny's Pool, Harbour Road. Cell: 084 585 8361
- 3) Have a **picnic** and let the kids play in the Community Garden.
- 4) **Snorkel** at Bruce's or take out some oysters (make sure you have a valid permit).
- 5) Look out for the Perfect Wave at Bruce's Beauties – and get on it with your **surfski** or **surfboard!**
- 6) **Suntan, surf** or **swim** at Hobie Beach at Aldabara Run.
- 7) **Body surf** at Anne Ave.
- 8) **Walk** on the spit or do the Two Harbours Walk connecting the Heritage Eco Centre at the Granny's Pool in Harbour Road with Port St Francis
- 9) Play **bowls** on a Wednesday.
- 10) Join the **tennis** club on a Saturday.
- 11) Join the locals for some doubles **squash** at the club in Lyme Rd South on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Sundays.
- 12) Play **golf** at St Francis Links rated as number 5 on the SA Top 10 rated courses.
- 13) Play **golf** at St Francis Bay Golf Club where the 13th tee overlooks the ocean.
- 14) Find the Leighton Hulett **Sundial** in Assissi Drive.
- 15) Hire a bicycle and get a **cycle** route map from Coimbra Cycle Centre. Contact Ewan van Vuuren on 082 476 1616. 555 St Francis Drive.
- 16) Ask for a **frog safari** at Dune Ridge Country House. (Not during the dry season.)
- 17) Enjoy a **craft rum and homemade cheese tasting** at One33. Co R330 and Oyster Bay Rd. Cell: [082 892 9353](tel:0828929353)
- 18) Go **Sand Boarding**. Boards for hire from Sheila, Cell: 072 456 7797
- 19) Take a **Surf Lesson**. Etienne Cell: 0823247284. Short mini mould surf boards (7ft, 7.2ft, 7.4ft, 7.6ft) for hire from Ruva, The Store, at the Village Square Shopping Centre, Tel: 042 294 0554. (R200 cash deposit. R50 per hour or R200 for 24 hours.)
- 20) Get a **dance** lesson from Fred Astaire Dance Studio. Cell: 084 705 6939.
- 21) Do a **craft beer tasting** at St Francis Brewery. Cell: 063 274 3743
- 22) Play in the waves with your **jet-ski**.

Port St Francis

- 1) Ask for **calamari tasting**. (Clive's Chokka Block Restaurant, Cell: 082 576 0192.)
- 2) Take photos from the harbour wall at Port St Francis (and take care during an easterly, you could get seriously wet!).
- 3) **Walk** the 2,5km Two Harbours Walk between Port St Francis and Granny's Pool (or vice versa).
- 4) Book a **deep-sea fishing, sunset, or eco cruise**.
- 5) Book a unique *Ink Trip* with St Francis Safari's and learn to **catch chokka**/calamari! (During

open season only.)

6) Enjoy a **boat-based whale watching** excursion with St Francis Safaris.

7) Get a permit and **pick black mussels** along the coastline from Granny's Pool to Port St Francis.

Cape St Francis

1) Walk on the **Wild Side/Rocky Coast Farm** trail.

2) Walk to the **blow hole** (Start at Sunset Rock, walk past an old green fishermen's shack, stick to the footpath closest to the shoreline... soon you will find a small rock pile. Look left and wait! Follow that footpath onto the rocks, but please take care, don't go to close!!)

3) **Watch the sunset** from Sunset Rock.

4) **Touch** the remains of the rusted boiler that belonged to the HMS Osprey (wrecked in 1867), one of the last four-gun wooden steam naval battle-sloops built in Britain. Get off the footpaths and stick to the shoreline.

5) **Find** the unknown grave on the Wild Side - It is unmarked but lies on a perfect west-east line, about 200m west of the HMS Osprey.

6) **Spot** the remains of the British Steamer Cape Recife (1929) about 400m west of the Seal Point Lighthouse, only visible during low tide.

7) **Snorkel** or **scuba dive** at Johnson's Pool.

8) **Visit Seal Point Lighthouse** and take a photo or do an excursion to the top. (R50)

9) **Stand** on the **south easternmost tip of Africa**, Seal Point.

10) **Watch surfers** and **kiteboarders** at Seals or join them. Surfboards are available for hire from RVCA. The Shop, at the Village Square Shopping Centre.

11) **Visit** the **Shipwreck Museum** in Cape St Francis next to Coastal Collective.

12) **Walk** to **Shark Point** from either Cape St Francis or Port St Francis (on all the maps you will find this as Cape St Francis Point!)

13) **Explore** the trails of the **Seal Bay Nature Reserve**.

14) **Walk** from the **Seal Point Lighthouse** to Port St Francis.

15) **Walk** through the **Irma Booyens Floral Reserve**.

16) **Rent** a **coastal cruiser bike** from Coastal Collective and explore the area using the many well marked cycle routes. 2 Suffolk Lane. Cell: [076 134 1529](tel:0761341529)

17) **Visit** Liquid Lines Aquatics Centre

St Francis Canals / River

1) **Fish** in the canals or on the Kromme River. (Make sure you have a valid permit.)

2) **SUP** (stand up paddle) the famous St Francis Canals, who received Blue Flag status in 2017 – 2019. You can hire an SUP from The Store (RVCA) at The Village Centre, Tel: 042 294 055 (R500 cash deposit & R250 an hour or R500 for 24 hours) OR from The Quays, Cell: 063 706 83120.

3) **Watch the birds** at the estuary of the Kromme River Mouth.

4) **Paddle/canoe** in the canals. Double canoes are for hire from The Quays Restaurant. Cell: 063 706 8310.

5) Take a **high-speed boat charter** for 14km on the scenic Kromme River or Geelhout tributary lined with indigenous forest. Cell: 063 706 8310

6) Book a **canal cruise** at The Quays, Seaglades Drive, [Tel: 042 294 0386](tel:0422940386); Hartley House, 7 Spray

Ave, Cell: 081 831 8622 OR Cape St Francis Resort, Tel: 042 298 0054.

- 7) Hide from the easterly or westerly at **The Cove** a popular swimming area on the canals.
- 8) Explore the dunes with a **sandboard**: Cell: 0724567797
- 9) **Kite-surf** or **wind surf** at the Estuary/Pumphouse on Shore Road.
- 10) Enjoy **waterskiing, wakeboarding, boating, canoeing & fishing** on the Kromme River.

Oyster Bay

- 1) Do the Milk Run on your **MTB** (Bike hire at Oyster Bay Lodge @ R200 for ½ day)– the many roads leading between St Francis, Humansdorp and Oyster Bay.
 - 2) Try out **fat-biking** at Oyster Bay Lodge (Bike hire @ R300 for ½ day)
 - 3) Walk to the ancient **fish traps** east of Oyster Bay.
 - 4) Walk 8km to **Klippenpunt** from Oyster Bay.
 - 5) Enjoy a **beach horse ride** on the Oyster Bay beach with the Oyster Bay Lodge. (R400 p.p. for 1½ hours)
 - 6) **Dune safari** or **Luxury Dune picnic** with Oyster Bay Lodge- (R400 p.p. for 1 ½ hours)
 - 7) **Explore** some of the various **Hiking Trails**. (R30 p.p. for the day)
 - 8) **Guided** bird, fynbos and wetland **walk**
 - 9) Sand boarding on the endless dunes in Oyster Bay (R300 for 3 hours)
 - 10) Book a Township tour with Oyster Bay Lodge
- (All activities are weather dependant and must be booked in advance.)

Just around the corner

- 1) Go and **pick your own strawberries or dragon fruit** on a farm during the season. (Hankey)
- 2) Visit a **farm stall** in Patensie in the citrus growing Sunday's River Valley. Tolbos Country Store & Restaurant, Cell: 0711243627. Padlang's Country Restaurant, Cell: 0790326976
- 2) Spend a day **Trail running, Mountain biking and Hiking** at Thornhill
- 3) **Swim with seals** in Plettenberg Bay
- 4) You can go and enjoy **Deep-sea fishing** or a shopping trip to Port Elizabeth.
- 5) Big 7 in 1 day - **cruise and safari**. Raggy Charters, Cell: 0731522277
- 6) **Shark cage Diving** with Raggy Charters
- 7) **Whale, dolphin & penguin watching** on an Island cruise with Raggy Charters.
- 8) Bird Island **Boat Cruise**.
- 9) Enjoy a day trip to Addo **Elephant** National Park and the Zuurberg hiking Trails.
- 10) Try **bungee jumping** at Bloukrans River Bridge. Bloukrans Bungy is the worlds highest commercial bungy bridge. It is also the highest commercial natural bungy jump in the World. 216 m high. Tel: 042 281 1455.
- 11) **Zip-line** from one platform to another along a steel cable suspended up to 30 meters above the forest floor. Tsitsikamma Canopy Tours, Cell: 042 281 1836 or criss-cross the Kruis River on a waterfall zipline tour. Tsitsikamma Falls Adventures, Cell: 082 578 1090.
- 12) Explore the Storms River Gorge on an inflatable tube. Tsitsikamma **Black Water Tubing**, Tel:

042 281 1757

13) Visit **Tsitsikamma National Park** with its diverse fauna & flora and **hike** The Mouth Trail which crosses a suspension bridge over the Storms River. Tell: 042 281 1607.

14) Spend the day at **Monkey Land**, the world's first free-roaming, multi-species primate sanctuary and **Birds of Eden**, the world's largest free flight aviary and bird sanctuary, in The Crag. Tel: 044 534 8906.

15) Experience hands-on educational **elephant interactions** at Plettenberg Bay Elephant Sanctuary. Cell: 066 427 5724