

Wemmershoek Area

Legend

- Stellenbosch Municipality Boundary
- Study Area Valleys
- Declared Grade I Areas
- Proposed Urban Character Areas
- Existing Heritage Areas 2011

Scenic Routes

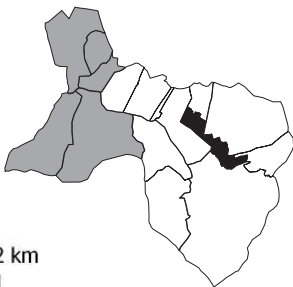
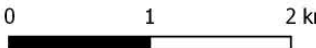
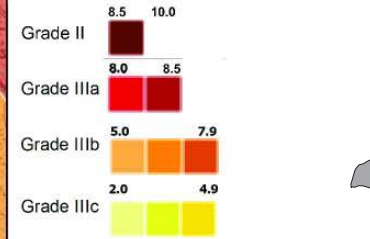
- Grade II
- Grade IIIa
- Grade IIIb
- Grade IIIc

Protected Areas

- Mountain Catchment Area
- Local Authority Nature Reserve
- Provincial Reserve
- State Forest Nature Reserve
- Protected Natural Environment
- Private Nature Reserve

Landscape Units

NCW Land Parcels in the Stellenbosch Winelands



The area that transitions from Dwarsrivier to Franschhoek is a combination of completely different land units. These vary from vineyards to rehabilitated plantations of the Berg River Valley, and the valley bottoms of the Wemmershoek and Franschhoek rivers, each with its own backdrop of mountain ranges. The character of the units along the R45 are made up of groups of associated features:

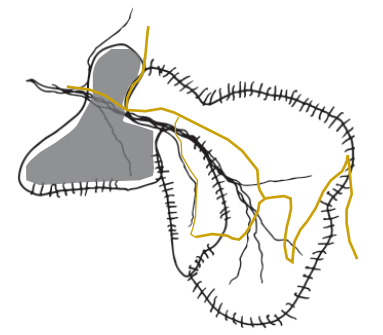
- Foothills of the Groot Drakenstein mountains with open fallow land.

- Floodplains with large windbreaks and vineyards along the Wemmershoek River.
- Open rehabilitated floodplains below the Berg River with the Groot Drakenstein and Middelberg mountains as edges to the dam.
- Bakenkop and its distinctive soil conditions with the Wemmershoek village and wetland features.
- Bakenkop with vineyards.



H FRANSCHHOEK

Wemmershoek Area
H10-H14



H Franschhoek Landscape Unit Rating		H10		H11		H12		H13		H14		
Item	Item	Value	Weighte	Value	Weighte	Value	Weighte	Value	Weighte	Value	Weighte	
Ecological	Protected areas 10 Critical Biodiversity area 9 Ecological support areas 7 agriculture 4 Urban 1	20%	9	1.8	9	1.8	8	1.6	9	1.8	10	2
Aesthetic	Viewshed, Scene, Diversity, enclosure, unity, colour, texture, balance, proportion, form	20%	3	0.6	6	1.2	7	1.4	4	0.8	2	0.4
Historic	Age, Pattern representivity and accosiation, rarity, condition	25%	3	0.75	3	0.75	7	1.75	3	0.75	2	0.5
Social	Meaning and cultural accosiations, Church, School, Creche, recreational, community	10%	8	0.8	2	0.2	4	0.4	5	0.5	4	0.4
Economical	Tourism and agricultural potential High soil suitability 9 medium soil suitability 7 Fragmented 5 Disturbed 2	25%	7	1.75	3	0.75	9	2.25	6	1.5	6	1.5
Degree of acceptable		100%	5.7		4.7		7.4		5.35		4.8	
NCW	0-2											
Grade 3c	2 to 4.9											
Grade 3b	5 to 7.9											
Grade 3a	8 to 10											
Grade 2	8.5 to 10											