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10 Western Cape The Post House **Greyton**

What's winter without a crackling log fire and the best of the Cape's wines? Here at The Post House in the heart of Greyton we uncovered this and more. A perfect combination of quiet, country charm and boutique-hotel luxury, this National Monument in the Overberg region is surrounded by the sometimes snow-clad Riviersonderend Mountains. Our room was tastefully decorated in neutral tones and had a patio overlooking the garden that, depending on the season, bursts with lavender, iceberg roses and bougainvillea. Well protected against the chill of a recent snowfall, and after a winter warmer in the hotel's country pub – where, we're told, the famous Bell's whisky advert was filmed – we visited the art galleries, restaurants, coffee shops and quaint stores for which Greyton is known. A mere 90 minutes from Cape Town, it's an easy drive for a weekend or mid-week break. There are few better ways to beat the icy conditions, and to enjoy winter's magic. – *Olivia Schaffer*

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A photograph of a rustic living room. On the left, a brick fireplace has a fire burning inside. Above the mantel is a framed picture of a white horse, flanked by two lit candles. To the right, a dark leather sofa is adorned with several pillows in shades of yellow, orange, and red. In the background, a dining table with chairs is visible near a window with red curtains. The room has wood-paneled walls and a warm, inviting atmosphere.

Winter Warmers

Our pick of cosy hideaways to escape to when temperatures drop

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