

# The Name Diamant

The name “Diamant” first appears on the 1821 Paarl farm register (698-699). It was originally merely referred to in a descriptive way as “*de plaats aan de Peerel Diamant in de district van Drakensteijn*” (The farm on the Paarl Diamond in the district of Drakenstein).

The “diamant” refers to one of the granite outcrops on Paarl Mountain as it glistens in the sunlight, especially in sunny, wet conditions. The ‘peerel’ refers to the pearl, the other granite outcrop. This is also the origin of the name of the town Paarl.