

**Glossary****Terms Used at the Cape in the Eighteenth Century**

Bastaard	person of mixed race
Bastaard- Hottentot	person of mixed race with Khoisan ancestry
Basters	Christian community of mixed Khoisan, slave, and European ancestry; Basters eventually settled north of the Cedarberg, including areas in present-day Namibia
boer	farmer (see also trekboer and veeboer)
buitenpost	VOC outpost
burgher	citizen
Bushman, also Bosjesman	San, indigenous hunter-gatherers
Caabwards	towards Cape Town
the Company	the Dutch East India Company (VOC)
dagboek	journal, official VOC log for the Cape
d'Oude	the elder
drostdy	magisterial seat
droster	runaway
free black	a person of neither indigenous nor European origin and not enslaved
fiscaal	VOC official, second in command at the Cape; responsible for legal prosecution
fynbos	shrubs endemic to the Western Cape; part of Cape floral kingdom; fynbos comprises the majority of native plants in the Cedarberg
gemeente	church congregation, parish
Griquas	Christian community of mixed Khoisan, slave, and European ancestry; Griquas eventually settled in the eastern Karoo, near what would become the boundary between the Cape Colony and the Orange Free State
heemraad	landdrost's advisory council, a member of that council

Heren XVII	Lords XVII, directors of the VOC
hofsteede	farmhouse
Hottentot	Khoikhoi, pastoralist
inboekseling/ inboekselinge	Khoisan indentured servant(s)
inboeksel	system of indenturing
ingeboek	registered as indentured
Kaapenaar	resident of the Cape
Karoo	semi-desert region to the east of the Cedarberg
kamer	chamber, administrative division of the VOC
Khoikhoi, also Khoi, Khoe	indigenous pastoralists
Khoisan	encompassing term for hunters and herders when a more accurate description is not possible
kloof	ravine
knecht	servant, usually a VOC employee working for wages; often employed as an overseer, or as a teacher
kraal	Khoisan encampment; livestock corral; homestead
landbouwer	farmer
landdrost	magistrate
Namaquas	Khoikhoi community living in Namaqualand, north of the Cedarberg
NGK	<i>Nederlands Gereformeerde Kerk</i> Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa
muid	unit of dry volume, equivalent to 3.1 bushels
opgaaf	census and taxation rolls
opstal	farm buildings
pacht	monopoly trading rights in specific commodities, including beer, wine, and meat. The VOC granted the trading rights to approved pachters in return for a rent, the pachtgeld.

predikant	preacher
togt	hunting trip
trekboer	pastoralist, migrant farmer
veeboer	cattle or livestock farmer
veld	field, landscape
veldkornet	a burgher appointee, subordinate to the landdrost
veldkorporal	officer in the burgher militia; appointed by districts (wyk) in rural areas to fulfill both military duties and some civil administration
veldwagmeester	burgher militia officer, appointed by districts
vendu rol/rolle	auction roll(s)
VOC	<i>Verenigde Oostindische Compagnie</i> Dutch East India Company
wyk	administrative subdivision within a landdrost's district