

The Port Elizabeth Opera House is situated on the south-east corner of the Donkin Reserve. It is the only Victorian Theatre in South Africa with grey marble steps, elegant staircase, wine coloured carpets, wrought iron railings, shantung draped curtains, gilt mouldings and a crystal and brass chandelier which are all elements that speak of this style that has survived (Atwell [s.a]:103).



Fig 6-8: Port Elizabeth Opera House (Grobler 2005)

The Grand Hotel is located on the southern side of the Donkin Reserve surrounded by Victorian styled houses, restaurants that serve African cuisine and jazz music. The historical quality of yesterday is combined here with a new cultural quality that adds richness to the environment. African music and food are served within the historical context of Central Hill.



Fig 6-9: Grand Hotel  
(Grobler 2005)



Fig 6-10: Victorian Houses  
(Grobler 2005)