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# The National Heritage Council

The vision of the National Heritage Council (NHC) is “to be the leading agent for the preservation, protection and promotion of South African heritage, both tangible and intangible, for sustainable development”.

The development of the National Liberation Heritage route (NLHR) is a project of the NHC. Significant historical accounts of events, places, epochs, individuals and communities will be recorded for posterity and for transmission to succeeding generations through this project. It seeks to reconstruct the story of the liberation struggle with the NHC positioning the route as a South African feature of universal importance.

Many countries gaze into the past to be enriched and to unearth heritage treasures which have been hidden by history for a very long time. The NLHR serves as a dynamic reflection of the nation to protect the future and to heal the wounds of the past.

The nominations for inclusion on the UNESCO World Heritage List for the South Africa Liberation Heritage Route will consist of a series of sites that in combination express the key aspects of the South African Liberation experience and one of UNESCO’s Outstanding Universal Values - from the point of view of global history.

These attributes will also be reflected in other nominations from Southern African Development Community (SADC) countries which include: Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of Congo, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

In the ongoing process the sites identified cover the following themes:

- The Modern Liberation Struggle and The Mass Democratic Movement
- Massacres and Assassinations
- Sites of Historical Significance
- Wars of Dispossession
- Women’s Movement
- Early African Intellectuals
- Youth and Student Movement

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Robben Island (Cape Town)



Mandela House (Soweto)  
Liliesleaf Farm



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