

# "Best Museums in Johannesburg"

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#### **Museum Africa**

"Africa's Rich Heritage"

Located at the Newtown Cultural Precinct, Museum Africa carries a variety of exhibits, most of which pertain to the rich history of Africa. Of special interest is the display of historic works of art, which will give you an insight into artists' impressions of the Anglo-Boer War. Geological specimens, paintings, prints, photographs and numerous objects from all corners of southern Africa are also on display. In order to fully appreciate the collection, it is best to allow at least a couple of hours for the visit.





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# **Museum of the Constitutional** Court

"Jewel of Johannesburg"

Housed in a stunning, ultra-modern building reflecting Johannesburg's rise as a major global city, the Museum of the Constitutional Court, among the attractions on Constitution Hill, stands as a tribute to the metropolis's history. The museum dedicates a unique section to the arcane rock paintings done by the San tribes who once lived outside the Johannesburg region before the thirteenth century. The complex also houses an unforgettable exhibit focusing on the gold and diamond mines sure to bedazzle visitors from all over the globe. Be sure to stop by the museum and learn a little something about the roots of the glittering city before you step out for a night on the town!



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www.sa-venues.com/attractionsga/ constitution-hill.htm



Kotze Street & Queens Road, Constitutional Court, Johannesburg



## **Apartheid Museum**

"Apartheid Revisited"

The Apartheid Museum best reflects the sordid history of South Africa's apartheid days. Under the able guidance of Nelson Mandela, the country has strongly braved the rough weathers of racial discrimination, and this museum stands as a reminder of those horrifying stories and experiences. Photographs, film footage and artifacts displayed in the 22 exhibition areas will take one through an epic journey of a nation's struggle for the sake of humanity. So if you are in Johannesburg and you haven't been to this place, you are missing an opportunity to gain insight into events that are an integral part of South Africa's history.



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#### **Hector Pieterson Museum**

"In Memorial"

Opened on the 16th of June 2002, this museum was built in memory of Hector Pieterson, a twelve year old who was one of the first casualties of the uprising in 1976. Over 500 people were killed in this protest against the forced use of Afrikaans, as a medium of instruction in the township schools. The museum is made of red brick like the surrounding dwellings and has a cathedral-like feel to it. One sad fact is that there is no living picture of Hector available - his image is recorded only through the infamous pictures of his dead body being carried out by his schoolmate and sister. Also on display is a Death Register, photographs and videos. Not a happy place to visit, but one that forcibly reminds visitors of South Africa's very recent troubles. Call ahead for more details.





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## **Nelson Mandela National Museum**

"Humble Abode Of Mr. Mandela"

Commonly referred to as Mandela House, Nelson Mandela National Museum is an important national monument nestled in Johannesburg. This museum is housed at the prior residence of the legendary Nelson Mandela himself and takes you through the history of Africa. Operating since 1997, this museum showcases several artifacts of the former President of Africa. The museum tells you the life story of Nelson Mandela and his family and his struggle for the betterment of Africa. The museum was renovated for the convenience of the tourists in 2009 and has been listed as one of the most popular tourist destinations in South Africa.



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