

Module 8 Culture and heritage

Overview

World Heritage Sites are listed with UNESCO because of their universal importance in terms of their cultural or natural features. The World Heritage List of sites amounted to 962 in 2012. In order to be listed, sites must meet certain criteria. South Africa has eight World Heritage Sites and 13 tentative sites. World Heritage Sites can help to attract tourists. Sites also receive support from UNESCO once they are inscribed on the list.