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Bergtheil Museum

16 Queens Ave, Westville
 Named after Jonas Bergtheil, director of the Natal Cotton Company, this museum is situated in the leafy suburb of Westville, just outside of Durban. Housed in Westville's oldest building (built in 1840), it features massive stone walls and hand-hewn timber floorboards, with the verdant surroundings adding an atmosphere of tranquility. The museum focuses on the first German settlers that Bergtheil brought to Natal and their association with the settlements of Westville, Claremont and New Germany. Artifacts include household and workshop implements, records and photographs. Other exhibits include a collection of Zulu artifacts and a display showing a local Indian wedding ceremony.
 Open: Monday - Friday: 08:00 - 16:00
 Saturday: 08:00 - 12:00
 Closed: Sundays & Public Holidays
 Phone: 031-266-2954 / 031-266-5871



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Cato Manor Heritage Centre Intuthuko Junction

750 Rick Turner Rd (Francois) Cato Manor
 Once the site of forced removals, Cato Manor, or uMkhumbane as it is known by its inhabitants, is an area of great significance to the history and culture of Durban. The centre chronicles the fascinating history of the area, linking the stories of Cato Manor to the broader history of South Africa.
 Phone: +27 (0) 31 261 3216
 Open: Monday - Friday: 08:30 - 16:00
 Closed: Weekends & Public Holidays



Pinetown Museum

Pinetown Library complex, 1 Park Lane, Corner of Josiah Gumede & Crompton Street, Pinetown
 Located in the Pinetown Library complex, this small but interesting local history museum reflects the cultural diversity of the area, comfortably showcasing Zulu culture alongside aspects of early settler history. Anthropological and archeological exhibits are displayed as well as stone-age tools and artifacts.
 Phone: 031-311-6343 / 031-311-6408
 Open: Monday - Friday: 09:00 - 16:00, Saturday: 08:30 - 12:30
 Closed: Sundays & Public Holidays



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Geology Education Museum/ Science and Technology Education Centre

Science 1 Building, University Road, Durban Westville
 The Geology Education Museum, located on the University of KwaZulu-Natal's Westville Campus, houses rock, mineral and fossil collections. It is the only museum of its kind in the province and includes displays of spectacular minerals, fossilized plants and animals, meteorites from outer space and numerous rocks, some of which are older than 2 billion years.
 Phone: +27 (0) 31 260 2524
 Open: Monday - Friday: 08:30 - 16:00
 Closed: Weekends & Public Holidays



The Old House Museum

31 Diakonia (St Andrews) Street, City Centre
 The Old House Museum in St Andrews Street is an authentic reconstruction of George Robinson's home, originally built in 1850. Robinson was the founding editor of the *Natal Mercury* newspaper, and the home subsequently belonged to his son John, the first Prime Minister of the area then known as Natal. The house was rebuilt by the city council in the wake of World War II and is today home to a collection of furniture and artifacts from the 19th and early 20th centuries.



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Phone: +27 (0) 31 311 2261
 Open: Monday - Friday: 08:30 - 16:00
 Closed: Weekends & Public Holidays



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The Old Court House

77 Samora Machel Street
 The Old Court House is Durban's oldest surviving public building. Erected in 1863 as a Courthouse and Post Office, it has borne witness to much of the city's history, including visits from Mahatma Gandhi during his days as a young lawyer. The museum has two floors of exhibition space depicting aspects of Durban's early history, including a fine collection of period costumes, maps, documentation and photographs. Research facilities are available for those seeking a more in-depth perspective.

Phone: +27 (0) 31 311 2229
 Open: Monday - Friday: 08:30 - 16:00 Saturday: 07:30 - 12:30
 Closed: Sundays & Public Holidays



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Port Natal Maritime Museum

Maritime Place, Small Craft Harbour, City Centre
 While Durban harbour is one of the largest and busiest in the world, the Maritime Museum harks back to a time when shipping was more about the sea and less about logistics. Located on the edge of the port closest to the city centre and backed by a panoramic view, the museum has an inspiring collection of nautical vessels and artifacts.

Phone: 031-311-2231
 Open: Monday - Saturday: 08:30 - 16:00
 Sundays & Public Holidays: 11:00 - 16:00
 Closed: good Friday & Christmas Day
 Adults: R10, Children: R5



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Ammazulu African Palace

20 Windsor Road, Kloof, Durban
 This luxury lodge features a large collection of South African bead-work and artifacts. Perched on the edge of the Kloof Gorge, overlooking the Krantzklouf Nature Reserve, the Palace celebrates the cultural heritage of KwaZulu-Natal. The vision of Durban artist Peter Amm, the Palace houses an extensive collection Zulu art and craft, some of it incorporated into the architecture.

Phone: +27 (0) 31 764 8000
 Open: Monday - Sunday: 08:00 - 18:00
 R100 per person



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The Killie Campbell Africana Library

Glady's Mazibuko (Marriott) Road
 The Killie Campbell Africana Library, part of the famous Campbell Collection, includes a wealth of local historical resources housed in a neo-Cape Dutch style house that was formerly the retirement home of Natal sugar farmer and politician Sir Marshall Campbell. Visitors to the museum need to book in advance.

Phone: 031-260-1722 (Museum) / 031-260-1710 (Library) / 031-260-1720 (Admin Office)
 Guided Tours Conducted on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, 9am-3pm
 R20 Adults, R10 Children



Phansi Museum

500 Esther Roberts Rd, Glenwood
 The Phansi Museum has one of the most spectacular collections of African arts and crafts in the world. The collection is held in a restored Victorian national monument whose three floors are packed with Zulu bead-work, earplugs, wire baskets, milk-pails, beer-pots and fertility dolls, as well as artifacts from other countries in Southern Africa. The museum has a coffee shop which offers light lunches on weekdays from 11am to 3pm. Live music and cultural events are held on a monthly basis.
 Phone: +27 (0) 31 206 2889
 Open: Monday - Friday: 08:30 - 15:00
 Saturday: 10:00 - 14:00 (By appointment only)
 Closed: Sundays & Public Holidays
 Adults & Senior Citizens: R70
 University Students: R50 Children under 16 & Scholars: R20
 International Visitors: R80



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The Durban Natural Science Museum

First Floor, City Hall, Anton Lembede (formerly Smith) Street
 The Durban Natural Science Museum, located in City Hall, showcases the history of the Earth, focusing on the local environment. It is one of the most visited museums of its kind in Africa with over 500,000 visitors per annum. Its collection of animals includes lifeforms past and present, with spectacular educational dioramas, a life-size replica of a tyrannosaurus and even an Egyptian mummy.

Phone: +27 (0) 31 311 2256
 Open: Monday - Friday: 09:00 - 15:45
 Saturday: 09:00 - 12:00
 Closed: Sundays & Public Holidays



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Durban Holocaust Centre

44 KE Masinga (Old Fort) Road
 The Durban Holocaust Centre, housed in the Durban Jewish Centre, documents the horror of the Holocaust. This permanent state-of-the-art exhibition includes wall panels, LCD screens and original and replicated artifacts. The centre focuses on educating learners about the Holocaust, human rights abuses and contemporary genocide. Anne Franks room is the unique feature.

Phone: +27 (0) 31 368 6833
 Open: Monday - Friday: 09:00 - 16:00 Sundays & Public Holidays: 10:00 - 13:00
 Closed: Saturdays & Jewish Holidays



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Warriors Gate Moth Shrine & Museum

Masabalala Yengwa (NMR) Avenue, Durban (opposite Sahara Kingsmead Cricket Stadium)
 This Military Museum and Moth Shrine was built in 1936 and houses a wide range of military artifacts from around the world, the oldest dating back to 1056. Stones embedded in the building comes from battlefields around the world. It is the only military museum in Durban.

Phone: +27 (0) 31 307 3337
 Open: Monday - Friday: 10:00 - 15:00
 Saturday: 10:00 - 13:00
 Closed: Sundays & Public Holidays



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The Kwa Muhle Museum

130 Bram Fischer (Ordinance) Road, City Centre
 The Kwa Muhle Museum was originally the offices of the Native Administration Department, a central cog in the machinery of apartheid and the centre of Durban's harsh system of labour control. It is a fitting irony that the museum now displays reconstructions of the oppressive environments experienced by the black population of South Africa under apartheid, offering a window into the harsh realities of the period.

Phone: +27 (0) 31 311 2237
 Open: Mon-Sat 8.30am-4pm, Sundays and Public Holidays 11am-4pm
 Closed: Good Friday and Christmas Day



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Mpumalanga Heritage Centre

3699 Shezi Main Road (Next to Mpumalanga Library unit 6)
 The Mpumalanga Heritage Centre is a site of memory and a reminder of an extraordinary time in the history of Mpumalanga. It tells the story of the political violence that engulfed Mpumalanga from 1983 to 1992, and how the people of this community resolved to end this conflict and make peace with one another.

Open: Monday - Friday: 08:00 - 16:00
 Weekends & Public Holidays: By appointment only
 Phone: +27(0) 31 322 5770

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