

Archaeological Site Report	SiteNo	JAMES01
	Site Name	Jameson Field Extension 01
	Date	26/03/2006 - 09:03
	Project	
	CaseNID	
	Coords	-26.208570, 27.807573

Page No: 1 **SiteAutoID:** 45175

AlternateName:

VLK-1

Site Category: Structures

SiteComments:

The site is comprised of a rectangular stone kraal within which an obelisk-like monument is situated. Both the kraal and monument is fenced. This monument is commonly referred to as the Vlakfontein Monument, and was officially opened at its original location some distance to the south (and outside of the present development area) on 1 October 1913. Due to vandalism, the West Rand Historical Society relocated the monument in 1963 to its present position. The kraal is said to be the place in which Jameson's column made their last stand. As such it is one of the only tangible features associated with the battle of 2 January 1896 which is still preserved today. Contemporary accounts of the battle described this kraalas being sunken and having walls almost the height of an upright man. Although the sunken nature of the kraal is still evident today, the walls are only a fraction of what the descriptions indicate them to have been.

Damage Types: