

Archaeological Site Report	SiteNo	PETRO113
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	CaseNID	305461
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AlternateName:

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Site Category: Building

SiteComments:

Continue along with D52 until you see the monument on the LHS. Site consists of a national monument to Piet Retief and his lager, called Doornfontein. On the opposite side of the road is an open area that may have been used as an encampment. This road, and area was historically the trade route to Port natal at time of Poruguese, a and used before I presume, and continued as well. Same general area where A. Pretorius visited Retief with ~1500 cattle, to pay Dingaan for land (an unsuccessful transaction!). Retief's diary however places the lager on top of the hill near engravings or rockpaintings. the buildings at the farm house predate the Anglo Boer war and may be some of the original buildings by Retief, or just after. The one building (now foundation) was used to house Churchill when his train was ambushed. MANY historical artefacts occur in this area.

Damage Types: