**Comparatively analysis with other Lighthouses**

There are 11 lighthouses in South Africa, a reduction from the original 45 lighthouses. The Cape Agulhas is the second oldest lighthouse in the country lit in 1848, with the oldest being the Green Point lighthouse that was built in 1824. The Cape Agulhas lighthouse is the only Lighthouse in South Africa to house a museum exhibition. The Lighthouse sets itself apart in that as a building, it was declared an International Historic Civil Engineering Landmark by the American Society of Civil Engineers in 2016.

This is also one of the most popular lighthouses to climb, due to its position at the most southern tip of Africa. The lighthouse is also unique in that it is an important landmark to the local community, and could have been destroyed in 1962 after it had been condemned. After its condemnation, the local communities resisted attempts to destroy it and took over its upkeep.