

SOUTH SUDAN

South Sudan, officially the Republic of South Sudan, is a landlocked country in northeastern Africa that gained its independence from Sudan in 2011. Its current capital is Juba, which is also its largest city. South Sudan is bordered by Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Sudan and Uganda. South Sudanese pound is used as a means of currency.

One of the most important forms of cultural expression among non-literate groups in South Sudan is oral tradition. It is used as a vehicle for the creative expression of folklore and myths as well as for the recounting of history and traditions. Most South Sudanese value knowing one's tribal origin, its traditional culture and dialect even while in exile and Diaspora. Although the common languages spoken are Juba Arabic and English cuisine varies throughout the country and among ethnic groups.

This is one of the newest countries that join the African continent. It may have been bitterly divided but this does not prevent this country to showcase its beauty and marvel to tourists. The sunset in Gezira is marvelous while Jebel Marra, the highest peak in the Darfur region boasts its scenic waterfall and enjoyable climate. The wide array of Sudanese handicrafts can be found in the old national capital, which is Omdurman which could guarantee happiness to the recipients and the most iconic tourist site which is the Pyramids of Meroe shows the richness of culture that is different from that of Egypt's.