



A pictorial map of South Africa from the Second World War

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Union of South Africa. Their Natural and Industrial Resources.

Nottingham: Printed by Thomas Forman & Sons Ltd, c.1943. Colour lithographic map. Sheet 490 x 745mm.

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A propaganda map of South Africa, showing how the industry and agriculture of the continent was helping the war effort. Little vignettes mark the cattle, sheep, grain and wood regions, and icons note the various types of mining. The map is decorated with a coat of arms, a large compass rose, a flagpole and a map showing the continent of Africa. A text box reads: 'South Africa is to-day an arsenal and repair base for the Armies of the United Nations. Known originally as an agricultural and pastoral country and as a producer of gold and diamonds, the Union has so accelerated her industrial production that in four years of war it has reached a figure which could not have been attained in peace-time in less than 25 years. The industries which have developed under the stress of war will form the basis of peace-time manufacture when hostilities have ceased'. This map continues a series of maps of Commonwealth countries published during the Second World War. Most were signed by Leslie MacDonald Gill; the artist here is unknown.



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