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## The History of South Africa. Precolonial society, apartheid and liberation

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In this important work, Tore Linné Eriksen presents a broad narrative about the extraordinary, tumultuous history of South Africa. Stretching from the societies that created rich and vibrant cave paintings almost 30,000 years ago, through colonisation to the free South Africa of today.

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Tore Linné Eriksen (b. 1945) is a historian, nonfiction writer and a professor emeritus in development studies at Oslo and Akershus University College. He has written a number of books that have won awards at national and international level.

He has been a keen observer of events in the whole of southern Africa since the 1960s, both as a researcher and participant in the antiapartheid struggle. A combination of broad insight and vibrant enthusiasm make *The History of South Africa* a unique book.

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