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Abstract

This bibliography of published output of research relating to Robben Island, Table Bay, South Africa, covers the period 2016–2024. The previous bibliography covered the period up to 2016. All authors are grateful to the Robben Island Museum for support for this research, which is a contribution to the knowledge record of this World Heritage Site.

Introduction

An extensive body of biodiversity fieldwork has been undertaken on Robben Island, Table Bay, South Africa; the data collected has been analyses and the results published. The original bibliography included research published up to 2016 (Underhill & Barham 2016). This paper covers subsequent research and includes papers to April 2024. Three pre-2016 papers overlooked in the first bibliography are marked with an asterisk (*).

The papers are split into two groups. The first group contains papers that directly focus on data collected on Robben Island. These are papers for which the bulk, and in most cases all, of the fieldwork and data collection were done on Robben Island. As our research has matured, a second category of publication has emerged; those for which the data collected on Robben Island has been used in review papers and meta-analyses. For some of these overviews, the Robben Island data are pivotal, but for all of them the data collected on Robben Island has made a substantial and usually pivotal contribution.

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