

Before I start telling my story, I'll first start with telling a little bit about South Africa. So as the name suggests, South Africa is the southernmost country in Africa, and it has an area of around 1.2 million kilometres, which is 1,000 times bigger than Hong Kong. So because it's such a big country and like there's so much such a vast area of space, there's a wide variety of people and cultures and history within the country.

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And you can see this variety in like the number of official languages that they are because South Africa has eleven, which is the most in the world. And a perfect celebration of this difference and variety is held every year on the 24 September, and we call it Heritage Day. And on this day, it's like a public holiday in the whole country to remember and celebrate all the cultures which make up the population.

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Various events happen all over the country but the most memorable one to me is what we used to do at school to celebrate it every year. Since we had no school on the actual holiday, we would celebrate it a few days before or after Heritage Day, and everyone had to go to school dressed in clothes which show your heritage instead of wearing school uniform on that day.

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While many girls, sometimes myself included, get a bit lazy, so then you just put on the Springbok rugby jersey, other girls really put effort in and they made it incredible. The one that stood out the most every year was the black native girls and their outfits. And they're always the most fun and exciting to see because everybody dresses according to the ethnic group that their family is from.

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And since there are so many, there's so many different types of outfits and every outfit has different traditional patterns and different colors and different accessories. And if you ask them about it, they could tell you exactly what each color meant, what each pattern meant, what each accessory was for. Like the meaning behind everything that they wore. And these outfits were always so beautiful to look at and so interesting to hear about because you don't see it on a daily basis.

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So when like we get the chance to see it and when people get the chance to wear it, it's really exciting and it's fun and they always go all out since it's a once a year thing, nobody really wears it in other times. I feel like I chose to talk about Heritage Day because it really does give us the chance to appreciate and celebrate all of the cultures in South Africa by giving us all the opportunity to show each other and share it.

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