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The Empire of Ghana

Blood Spilled for Independence

Natural



Resources

Rich Rainforests



The country is named after the ancient Sudanic empire of Ghana, from which the ancestors of the inhabitants of the present Ghana are thought to have migrated.

Geographically, the old Ghana is 500 miles north of the present Ghana, and occupied the area between Rivers Senegal and Niger.

Called the Gold Coast, the area was first seen by Portuguese traders in 1470. The Portuguese who came to Ghana in the 15th Century found so much gold between the rivers Ankobra and the Volta that they named the place Mina - meaning Mine. They were followed by the English (1553), the Dutch (1595), and the Swedes (1640). British rule over the Gold Coast began in 1820, but it was not until after quelling the severe resistance of the Ashanti in 1901 that it was firmly established.