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The Railway Museum of Mozambique

The Railway Museum of Mozambique is located inside the Central Station of Maputo. It was founded in 2015 and holds materials such as train carriages, archival documents, photos and exhibitions on the history of the country's railways. Maputo railway station is an imposing building, designed by architects Alfredo Augusto Lisboa de Lima, Mário Veiga and Ferreira da Costa, and built under the Portuguese colonial regime between 1913 and 1916. Through a focus on this building and the museum, my research will deal with: the Portuguese colonial presence in Mozambique; the railway station in the moment before and after independence; the impact of a colonial railway station on the landscape and also on traditional society; the history and architecture of the railway museum; the exhibitions and archives of the museum.



Lourenço Marques (actual Maputo) railway station postcard, 1920. Source: <https://delagoabayworld.wordpress.com>