NELSON MANDELA

"Our best arm is peace"
Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, including the name of the tribal clan "Madiba", was born the 18th July 1918 in South Africa. He comes from a royal family. He was one of the historic leaders of the fight against the political system of racial segregation before becoming president of South Africa.
His father died of tuberculosis when he was 9 years old. He dreamed also of making his own contribution to the freedom fight of his people. He went at primary school in Qunu where his teacher Miss Mdingane gave him the name Nelson, in accordance with the custom to give all school children "Christian" names.
Became a lawyer, he participated in non-violent fight against apartheid laws, introduced by the National Party government in 1948. Mandela leads a campaign of sabotage and terrorist actions against government and military installations. He was arrested by the South African Police, and is sentenced to prison and hard labor for life.
Mandela burning his internal passport, mandatory for black men in the political system of apartheid.
After twenty-seven years of imprisonment, Mandela is free on February the 11th 1990.

In 1993 he receives the Nobel Peace Prize to put end with peacefully the apartheid regime and laid the foundations for a new democratic South Africa.
Nelson in his wedding with his first wife, Evelyn Ntoko Mase.

Mandela with his second wife, Winnie Madizikela. The couple got married in 1957 and had two daughters, Zeni Mandela and Zindzi Mandela.
He died December 5, 2013 in Johannesburg.
"It always seems impossible until it's done."