

Survey of Jewish History and Holocaust-Related Sites in Moldova
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Memorial «To the Martyrs and Victims of Ribnita Ghetto » in Ribnita

Type of site: ghetto

Briefly describe the significance of the site: The gate to the ghetto were on the place where the memorial is established now. Before the war it was the Jewish district, street named after Sholom Aleihem. During the war the invaders transformed the Jewish district into a ghetto where they brought and murdered the Jewish population.

Size of site:

height	-	4,5 meters
width	-	2,5 meters
memorial area	-	150 m ²

Deliberate changes to the site since the Holocaust time:

After the war the ghetto was completely destroyed, now on the place of the ghetto there are commercial objects

Address of the object: Ribnita, Gorky street

Date of establishment: 2003. Opening is appointed to March, 30, 2003.

Financing of operations on memorial:

- former prisoners of ghetto
- Jews, natives from Ribnita, nowadays living in the USA, Israel and Canada
- branch of JDC in Moldova
- The Jewish Congress
- Republican Association of Jewish Communities and Organizations of Moldova

Design by: Emeritus architect of the Republic of Moldova – S. Shoihet

The inscriptions are:

- «To the martyrs and victims of Ribnita ghetto. We remember »
- «Here since 1941 till 1944 there was a Ghetto where the Nazis murdered Jews. The monument is established by the Jewish community with the support of the former prisoners of Ghetto, Jews – natives from Ribnita, with the support of the Ribnita public administration, branch of "Joint" and the Republican Jewish organizations in Moldova, to the 60-anniversary of liberation. The project of the architect of Semen Shoihet. March, 30, 2004»

Suggestions/Recommendations for further intervention at the:

The chairman of the community Semen Sigal wants to improve the area of the memorial and to make an alley there.

The opening of the memorial is appointed to March, 30, 2004 to the 60-anniversary of liberation of Ribnita and the ghetto from Romanian – German aggressors.