

Fishbone House

In the heart of Shela Village, very close to Jaha House, stands Fishbone House. Shela is one of the loveliest small villages of Africa's East Coast. Fishbone is located a few minutes off the seven mile stretch of Shela beach and the renowned Peponi Hotel. A few footsteps from the house take you down to fishermen beach where the ancient dhow building is still active. The cosy four-bedroom house is ideal for two couples or a group up to 8 persons.

Fishbone House is a newly built rental home which will become a Shela landmark soon. The whole house is covered by coral stones. It features the beautiful Swahili architecture with its minimalistic elements of design and is decorated with some unique pieces of nature like whale bones & drift wood and artefacts such as paintings and assemblages or rudders of old dhows. All fabrics are tailored from used stone washed sail clothes which give a nonchalant touch to cushions and covers.

The house has a small courtyard with palm trees and white sandy ground. Covered by shady palm leaves during daytime and moon-lighted at night, the courtyard of Fishbone House is a magic place in this spiritual Lamu world.

The living room, dining and kitchen look onto the courtyard and another small side garden with a fountain made from coral stones. The living, covered by a huge Makuti roof, has Swahili beds for relaxation and gathering. The dining area is located next to the living room under a separate Makuti shelter with a dining table that takes eight and more guests. The kitchen, situated is fully equipped with a cooker, fridge/freezer and all necessary kitchen utensils.www.crocodileracers.com

On first and second floor there are two bedrooms bedroom on each floor both featured with ensuite bathrooms. The bedrooms are furnished with Lamu four poster beds, reading lights, mosquito nets, dressing tables and ceiling fans. All bathrooms are adapted to please the savour of upmarket travellers.

All the rooms are built with the magnificent details of Swahili architecture like stucco borders, Mangati hardwood beams with carvings, wonderful Boriti mangrove beam ceilings and in-wall niches known as Vidakas.

On the Makuti rooftop there are spacious areas with mattresses and cushions as a lounging where you can gaze out at the sea, the surroundings or the starry night sky.