

Subira House is both architecturally and historically of great interest. The House is located directly behind the Old Fort and Lamu Market, a block from the seafront. The historic home is in the middle of Lamu bustling a special UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site.

Subira House is an Arab style building with two open court yards, pretty arches and two beautiful gardens with a well. There are 7 bedrooms with two Pent Houses on the Top Terrace and many galleries where one can relax in the soft warm winds. The house was built about 200 years ago by Said Bin Sud, important and wealthy "Liwali", the governor of the Sultan of Zanzibar. His family resided here until 1972.

Over the years many Swedish painters have come to spend a month in Subira House as artists in residence. Famous Karin Mamma Andersson is one of them. Life at Subira House is inspiring and with the new WIFI internet access in the house you have great possibilities to focus your creativity into something fantastic.

Accommodation & Room Types

Double Room x 7

On the ground floor the four women's quarters are now a self-contained flat of two bedrooms, two bath rooms, and a kitchen.

There is an open courtyard with stairs leading to the roof - for watching the stars at night! This is a popular place to rent monthly and you cook for yourself. www.crocodileracers.com

The breezy top top room is a favorite for couples with a splendid view of the Lamu Fort.

The old building is restored with care, nicely decorated and managed with love and

environmental ambitions. In 2010 it received Silver Ecorating by Eco Tourism Kenya.

Dining & Staff

Breakfast

It is not just any breakfast; shamba (farm) eggs, home-made youghurt, island honey, Lamu fresh fruits, homebaked lovely bread, mango jam. www.crocodileracers.com

Dinner

Is at 7 pm and can be ordered the same morning from Michael our excellent chef with the help of Mwallim. A 3-Course Dinner is also available in the new quaint 12-seat Karkadeh Restaurant.

Subira House has a small restaurant that's high ambitions just to cook using local produce, vegetables from the area some grown at Subira's farm on the inland of Lamu, and of course a lot of fresh seafood. Also their restaurant has a liquor license.

If you decide on having dinner please request the same morning at the latest.

Features

- WIFI internet access
- Treated mosquito nets
- Electric fans