

## KENYA



## TAMARIND DHOW

Dhows are an ancient design of Sailing Cargo Carriers, particularly suitable for the Indian Ocean due to the design of the lateen sail which enables them to travel with the Trade Winds which blow South (Kaskazi) between November and April and North (Kusi) for the rest of the year. It is due to these winds that the trade between the East African Coast and the Arabian Peninsula flourished. The Nakhoda (captain) is unique in shipping as he is not only the transporter of cargo but also the owner. He will spend his time in port trading his present cargo for a different type of cargo for the return trip.

The Tamarind Dhows named 'Babulkher' and 'Nawalikher' are two of the largest jahazis in Kenya, built by traditional methods without the benefit of any electrical tools at Mtandoni, a small village near Lamu, renowned for its expertise in building sailing Dhows. The central beams took one week to find as the master dhow builder, Fundi Bini, searched the forest to find trees with just the right curve, to start off the building of the dhows.

Both the lunch and dinner cruise depart from The Tamarind Restaurant jetty, sail smoothly towards Fort Jesus and then gently up Tudor creek, to a quiet spot where they moor for a delicious four course Tamarind meal, accompanied by the lively rhythms of the on board band.

## WEDDINGS

**PACKAGE – £799**

VALIDITY: 01 Jan 2008 - 31 Dec 2008

**Includes:**

- ♥ Registrar fees and license
- ♥ Dhow/Jetty decoration
- ♥ 1 bottle of sparkling wine
- ♥ 2 kgs simple wedding cake
- ♥ Bridal bouquet
- ♥ Buttonhole for the groom
- ♥ Dinner for two

Prices are in £ Sterling. Current brochure booking conditions apply. The price we confirm at the time of booking is the price we guarantee. This includes any increases or decreases applied to the above prices at that time.