

Preparing for your trip...

A valid passport is required. If we travel thru The Gambia, a travel visa may be required. An orientation session will be offered for first-time attendees. We are available for any concerns or questions that you may have. Please feel free to contact us.

There is a mandatory vaccination for Yellow Fever. Several other inoculations and medications are recommended for travel to Senegal. Consult the Centers for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov) and your personal physician for the latest information prior to travel. A local Travel Doctor, Dr. Dover at (831) 722-2806, is very reasonably priced for all vaccines and medications.



Attendees will stay in Abene, a beachside enclave of artists and visitors from all over the world. Abene is located in the Casamance region of Southern Senegal.

Accommodations will be at L'Hotel D'Harmonie where you can experience the colorful West African lifestyle.

The local cuisine is rice and fish, vegetables and meat in a variety of delectable sauces. We will try to accommodate any food requirements.



**West African
Drum and Dance
Workshop in
Abene,
Casamance,
Senegal
Dec 21, 2006
thru
Jan 20, 2007**

Abdoulaye Diallo invites you to accompany him on a visit to his native country of Senegal for a two or five week intensive workshop in drumming and dancing taught by leading West African artists.

This is an outstanding opportunity to learn drumming and dancing in the native cultural landscape.

This is a comprehensive drum and dance experience, with drum and dance sessions six days a week, morning and afternoon. Classes will focus on traditional West African rhythms and dances.



In addition to workshops, there will be opportunity to visit Abdoulaye's hometown of Ziguinchor and experience everyday family life, traditional ceremonies, and various cultural activities.



General Information...

Senegal, located on the West Coast of Africa, is a beautiful country with a rich history and diverse culture.

The gracious hospitality of the Senegalese people is legendary. You will meet people from a variety of ethnic groups including the Wolof, Fulani, Serer, Tokola, Diola and Mandinka. The national language is Wolof, with French as the official European language.



You will spend the majority of your time in the Casamance region, a tropical paradise at the southern end Senegal. In the Casamance you will find mangrove forests, rice paddies, kapok trees and beautiful beaches.



The price of the five-week workshop is \$2,900. For a 17-day workshop, the price will be \$1,500.

This includes:

- * All drum and dance classes
- * Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily
- * Lodging
- * Ground transportation (Dakar to Abene)

Due Date for registration deposit is Oct 15, 2006.

Contact Kay for registration, deposit and any questions or concerns you may have:

(831) 760-0582

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