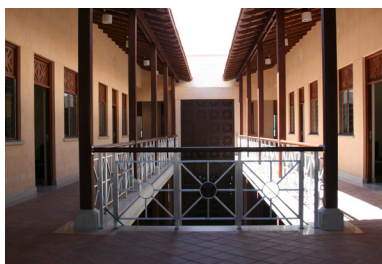




The Aga Khan Academy, Mombasa

Excellence in Education

The Aga Khan Academy, Mombasa, is the first of a planned network of Aga Khan Academies, dedicated to providing access to an international quality of education to exceptional children of all backgrounds, regardless of their socio-economic background.



THE CAMPUS

The Aga Khan Academy, Mombasa, began operating in September of 2003. The school is committed to an international level of excellence, and offers student-centred teaching and interactive learning environments designed to stimulate the joy of inquiry. Student selection is based on merit broadly construed, judged by academic performance and students' overall potential.

The Academy's facilities, inspired by Swahili architecture, include well-equipped state-of-the-art laboratories; specially designed rooms for art, design technology and music, libraries, a lecture theatre, multipurpose hall and a Professional Development Centre. Facilities for sports include playing fields, a 25m swimming pool, diving pool, air-conditioned dance studio, gymnasium and squash, basketball and tennis courts. The Residential programme officially opened in April of 2009. The residential experience is about learning and growth stimulated by the constant interaction among faculty and student peers of great talent, character, and leadership.

THE CURRICULUM

The Academy offers a broad, multi-disciplinary curriculum based on the philosophy and practice of the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO). The Academy is the only school in Kenya currently authorized to offer all three IB programmes: the Primary Years Programme, Middle Years Programme and the Diploma Programme. As in all future Academies, five specific areas of focus are being woven into the curriculum in order to help achieve the mission to educate future leaders with the capacity to build strong civil democratic societies. These areas, designated as "AK Curricular Strands" are pluralism, ethics, governance and civil society, economics in a global context and cultures—including Muslim civilizations.

About Mombasa

Located on Kenya's Eastern coastline bordering the Indian Ocean, Mombasa is one of Africa's major tourist destinations. It is the second largest city of Kenya, famous for its exotic beaches, diverse marine life, world-class hotels and friendly people. The "Old Town" of Mombasa is steeped in history with the Portuguese fort of Fort Jesus—a must-see for tourists. The city traces many of its cultural traditions to former settlers—all of whom have left a lasting flavour on Mombasa's food, architecture, and people.

Mombasa airport is served by regular flights from Nairobi. Tourist visas are available upon arrival.

