



Experience Ségou colonial neighborhood

Cailcedrats - the colonial tree brought to West Africa by the French colonizers - border the roads through the former colonial neighborhood. The Soudanese style buildings tell the story of times past.

It was on 6 April 1890 when Louis Archinard, a commander of the French colonial army set foot in Ségou. Only 3 years later Ségou had become the chief town of the administrative area including the actual administrative areas of Dioila, Barouéli, Bla, Ségou, Macina, San, Koutiala, Touminian and part of the Koulikoro area.

An administrative area was built, adapted to the needs of the colonizers. The majority of the buildings is now being used for governmental related services. Characteristic for the colonial buildings in Ségou is that all of them were placed on a base of about one meter. The base gives the buildings a character of importance and provides protection against animals and water as well.

Wander along the streets of the colonial neighborhood, situated near the Niger river. The impressive African Mahoganies (*Khaya senegalensis*) provide shade. Your guide explains more about the colonial times and about the function of the buildings at present.

Discover Ségou's history!

Area

Ségou's administrative neighborhood, also known as the colonial neighborhood.

Duration

1 to 1.5 hours

Best visiting time

year round

Dates & prices

Inquire for availability and rates.

Information & reservations

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