## Makonde Art and People

Diane Milan and Chris Wagner

#### **Makonde Volunteers**

#### Suleiman

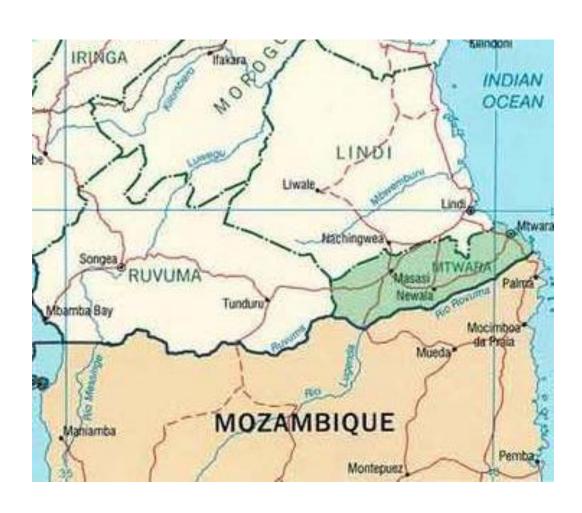


Amina – pic to come

### **Amina**







# Maji and Slavery

#### **Groundnut Scheme**

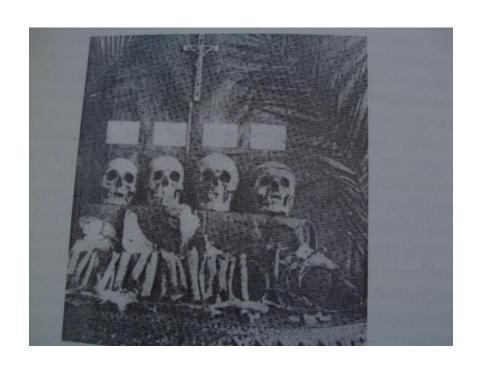




# Slavery and Maji Maji War

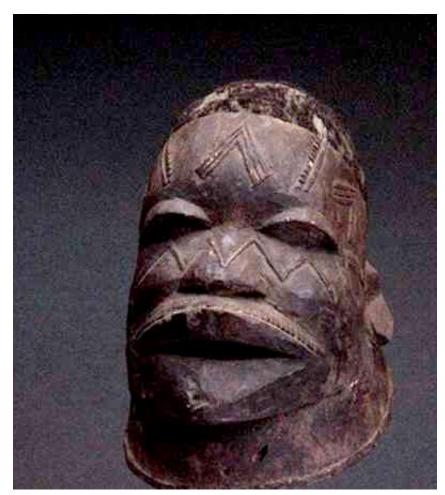
Pic with tattoos

**Maji Maji - German Missionaries** 



#### **Cultural Beliefs and Customs**





Masks of the Makonde people, showing tattoos

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Pic Parish priest 'Salaam aleikum'

### Occupations

- In Mtwara region the dominant ethnic groups are of Bantu origin and are comprised of the Makonde, the Makua and the Yao.
- Almost 80 live in rural areas and 87% of those in the region work in agriculture.

(NBS 2006)

#### Most Makonde are farmers

Pic of farming maize

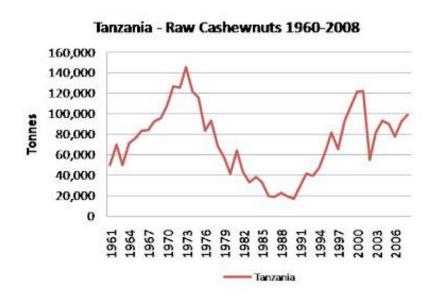
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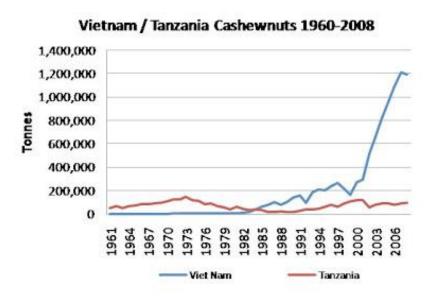






Cashew Nut Cash Crop





2008 Report by Keith Johnson consultant from Project Planning Centre at the University of Bradford, UK to strengthen the capability of the Institute of Development Management in Mzumbe, Tanzania.

#### **Other Occupations**





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Blacksmithing and Carving



#### **Domestic Carving**





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Bao





Carvings based on the Origin of Man, Good and Evil

"In the beginning, there was a man, who lived alone in a wild place and was lonely. One day he took a piece of wood and shaped it with a tool into a figure. He placed the figure in the sun by his dwelling. Night fell and when the sun rose again the figure was a woman and she became his wife. They conceived and a child was born, but after three days it died. 'Let us move from the river to a higher place where the reed beds grow.' Said the wife. And this they did. Again she conceived and a child was born, but after three days it, too, died.

Again the woman said 'Let us move to yet higher ground where the thick bush grows.' Once more they moved. A third time they conceived and a child was born. The child lived, and he was the first Makonde."

Mpingo tree



African Blackwood

Dalbergia Melanoxylon



End section of mpingo log



Three Main Styles

Shetani

Ujamaa

Pic my lady pounding

**Binadamu** 

#### Shetani

Ujamaa



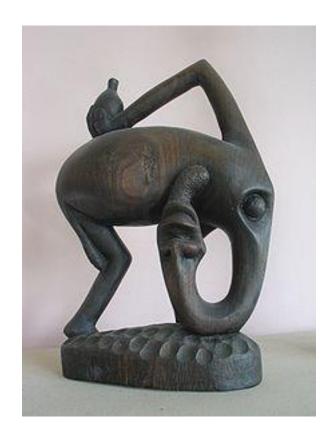
**Binadmu** 





#### Shetani





#### Curio Trade Dar-es-Salaam





Benedictine Mission, Logistics Centre, Kurasini

### Carving in Ndanda





Chalice

Carving in Ndanda (NB Better pics coming)



Village of Liputu

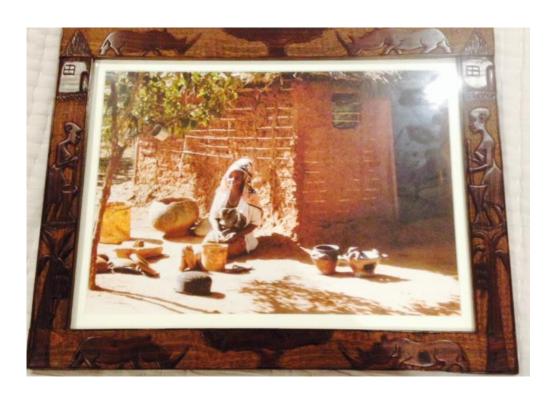


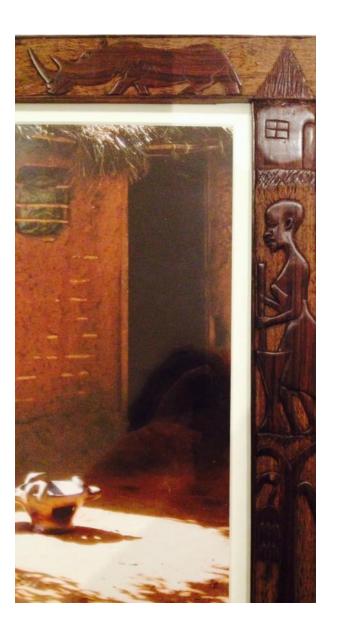
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Village of Mkalapa

## Carving in Ndanda





## The Stapleford - Nachingwea Link

- For over 30 years, the congregation of St Andrew's Church Stapleford Cambridge has had a link with the congregation of St. Andrew's Nachingwea, Tanzania and its wider community:
  - http://standrewsstapleford.org.uk/community/na chingwea/