

The exceptions are majlis rooms, usually located near the main entrance gate and easily identified by the low-level windows providing light, good ventilation and a view of the outside world. These rooms were used by the owner to meet and entertain guests with coffee, dates and a meal. Business, whether social, financial or political would be discussed and most importantly news would be shared.

Domestic buildings were modest in size but provided the necessary privacy for the family. They were constructed as needed and were grouped informally as space and resources permitted. The use of materials was particularly resourceful, relying on what was immediately available and the skills of the local people.



Interior of a reconstructed arrish house at the Eastern Fort