

Menie

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Menie (*Menie*) is a Malinke rhythm from Guinea that used to be played on the occasion of the birth of a child, or more specific: on the day that a name is given to the child (about one week after it's been born). There is a song with this rhythm that tells about four masks. Probably this is why Menie also known as a Mask-dance.

(solo:) Kamafie cerimbembe kamafie kamafie,

(choir:) Kamafie-e-a cerimbembe kamafie kamafie, a ya yalamba
cerimbembe-a
sama dundun kamafie (3x)

(solo:) a ye ke te, yenkeni sa-a samonie kindu

(choir:) samonie kindu samonie kindu e ya yenkeni yenkeni sa-a-e

(solo:) a ye ke te, yenkeni, yenkeni sa-a baoulen kinyama

(choir:) baoulen kinyama-a-e baoulen kinyama baoulen kinyama e
baoulen kinyama e, yankady-e torrys (3x)

(solo:) ana dory yamba

(choir:) da da dory yamba-a-e

Call	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
	f	f	r	l	l	l	r

	T	T	S	S	S
	r	f	r	l	r

Combi	kenkeni						
	sangban						
	doundoun						
	bell	x	x	x	x	x	x

Kenkeni							
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

Djembé 1	B	T	B	B	T	T	B
	r	l	r	r	l	r	r

Djembé 2	B	B	B	B	T	T	T
1st time		T	B	B	T	T	T
	r	r	l	r	r	l	l

repeat	B	S	S	S	B	T	B	T	T
	r	l	r	l	r	l	r	l	l

Sources

Lessons from Arafan Touré

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