Hunting Safari Information

Deposits and Payments

A deposit of \$1000 is required to confirm a booking. Payments can be done via bank transfer, cash or credit card.

Only Visa or Master card.

Due to bank costs, commissions and transfer costs when wiring funds to South Africa, we charge a 3% fee on the funds paid to our USA account after your hunt. This is not applicable to your deposit and outstanding taxidermy fees.

SWIFT transfers could also be made into our South African bank account of which details will be provided.

Please inform you bank you will be traveling to Africa before the safari.

Deposits are not refundable, however by negotiation, can be carried over to the following season.

What to pack for your African Safari:

Laundry is done daily; therefore, three to four sets of hunting clothes will do: khaki or camo or whatever you prefer. A range of temperatures may be experienced in one day so dressing in layers is advisable.

The following list of items to bring on your safari should be regarded as a suggestion only:

ESSENTIALS

- Very important: Sun block +50
- Mosquito repellent
- Hat and Sunglasses
- Headache, Diarrhea tablets
- Personal Medication
- Memory cards, chargers,
- International travel adaptors for SA.
- We use 3-pronged round hole plugs and some 2 prong round hole plugs.
- US to RSA plug-in adaptor (available at all airports) Electric current 220V
- Personal toiletries
- Hearing protection
- Bring Shooting sticks you are comfortable with.

CLOTHING

- Laundry is done daily
- Comfortable walking boots preferably ones that you've used before
- Socks suitable for Safari
- Jacket / Coat
- Bush hat , Cap
- Gloves & beanie hat
- Long-sleeved bush shirts for sun protection.
- Thermal-underwear (for the cold months)
- Long pants recommended -Protection from scratchy
- bushes & insect or tick bites.

Visa Requirements

Hunters from the USA and some European countries do not need to apply for a visa for your Africa hunting safari.

Booking Airfare

A direct flight to OR Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg is recommended. You will then take a connecting flight to Kimberley Airport, Northern Cape.

You will be in the care of your dedicated PH from the moment you step off the plane at Kimberley Airport and will drive you to the hunting lodge.

Our recommended Travel Counselor is Jeanne Thirion.

Jeanne provides excellent services and competitive pricing.

She also offers TRAVEL INSURANCE and is experienced in booking airfare for international hunters.

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Hunting & Hunting Packages:

- All animals are subject to availability e.g. the effect of drought etc.
- Trophy fees are payable in respect of all animals bagged or wounded.
- All prices are subject to the year in which the safari takes place and possible changes in price.
- When you change the animals in your package, the price will be adjusted accordingly, alternatively: - Provide us your wish list and we will tailor-made your own fully inclusive package for you.
- A la carte Safari: Daily rate includes 15% government tax. Hunt animals as the opportunity arises. Prices as per our standard price list.
- Any animal wounded and lost at the time your safari ends or shot and NOT exported from South Africa is subject to VAT, Value Added Tax of 15% added onto the trophy fee. (This is South African law).
- Any animal not exported out of South Africa 15% VAT tax must be charged onto the animal's fees.
- Exporting even just one part or some parts of the animals you hunt will mean no VAT tax needs to be charged.

Cancellations:

- Cancellations are subject to 12 weeks' notice in writing
- 50% refund of the Deposit will be made if cancelled within more than thirty (30) days of the beginning of the Safari, minus a 15% admin fee.
- No refund of deposits will be made if cancelled within thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the Safari.
- The hunt can be postponed to a later date.
- All permit costs incurred must be paid in full.
- If there are permits that expire when the hunt resumes at a future date and new permits must be issued, this cost will be for the clients account in addition to the normal cost of the safari.
- Full deposits can be carried forward for Safari to a later date limited to 12 months from date of hunt originally booked.
- When re-booked for the following year, the new price list will be applied.

Currency

The currency in South Africa is the South African Rand. There are 100 cents to 1 rand. There are exchange bureaus in all towns and airports and in most hotels. Be sure to exchange some currency for SA Rands, as you may want to buy African souvenirs on your safari travels.

Most stores outside of the airport WILL NOT accept dollars.

Most stores WILL accept ONLY MASTERCARD AND VISA credit cards.

CREDIT and DEBIT CARDS: Payment for your Safari is ONLY with VISA or MASTERCARD CREDIT or DEBIT CARDS, for deposits on booking and at hunt end. No other types of credit cards are accepted.

MONEY: You Only need about \$ 150 in US\$ / foreign cash just in case. You may only need to convert about \$50 of that into Rands cash as most stores in SA accept credit and debit cards.

Languages

South Africa has 11 official languages: However, English is understood and spoken by most people.

Entry regulations

All visitors require a passport, valid for no less than 30 days after the expiry of the intended visit. The passports must contain at least one unused page. It is imperative that travelers confirm regulations with their nearest South African embassy or consulate.

Included in daily rates

- An African Experience of a lifetime
- Trophy Class animals
- Pick up and drop off at airport
- All accommodation with daily laundry
- Outstanding Catering. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner & Snacks
- Soft drinks, tea, coffee, bottled water, local beer & wine
- PH with hunting vehicle and gear
- Services of camp staff and skinners
- Field preparation off trophies
- Daily laundry services
- Delivery of trophies to taxidermist of outfitters choice.

Rifles and Ammunition

- You own gun is the best gun.
- Minimum caliber for medium to large size game is a .270.
- Dangerous game .375 is by law the minimum.
- Only one firearm per caliber is allowed per person
- Maximum of 2 x rifles.
- Always use premium bullets and a maximum of 100 bullets are allowed per rifle.
- Ammunition is to be packed in a separate container, which has to be locked and marked with details.
- Firearms must be transported in a hard, lockable case. Ammunition must be transported in a separate, lockable case

The following aren't allowed:

- any automatic or semi-automatic firearm
- more than one firearm of the same caliber per hunter
- more than 200 rounds of ammunition per person per firearm

Follow our step-by-step guide:

You will need:

 Proof of rifle ownership (US 4457 form obtained from any US custom office for US citizens) Please note that 4457 documents must be issued in the YEAR OF TRAVEL. If your document has an expiry date, please ensure that it does not expire before or during your hunting safari.

Send us the following documents: admin@damaraafricansafaris.com

- A copy of your **passport**
- A copy of your **Customs Declaration form 4457**
- A copy of your flight itinerary
- Download the SAP 520 temporary rifle import permit on our website
- Invitation letter from Damara African Safaris download on website

Health Risks

The Northern Cape of South Africa is a malaria free environment. It would also be recommended to go for a full medical checkup before the hunt commence.

The warmer weather combined with high rainfall may sometimes cause high tick populations.

Insect repellant is used very effectively to neutralize this problem when it does occur.

Sunburn and dehydration, caused by our African sun, can be prevented by using sunscreen regularly and wearing a hat in the daytime.

Make sure to pack a high factor sunscreen of at least +30 / +50, even during the winter. This is Africa!!

Keep hydrated at all times! Make sure you drink enough water. Most of the vegetation consist of thorns with various shapes and sizes. Clients should always keep this in mind while in the process of stalking animals.

Excluded in daily rates

- All travel expenses, Air fare, Airport transfer fees, Observer fees
- Hotel accommodation before or after hunt
- Day trips, excursions and entrance fees
- Night hunting (if not included in the package)
- Meals and liquor outside of camps and hunting areas
- Rifle hire and ammunition per safari if required
- All Hunting licenses and firearm import permits
- 15% Tax on non-exported trophies, daily rates and services
- All taxidermist work and shipping
- Any animals not mentioned in the inclusions, wounded or lost
- Tips to PH and camp staff

Liability and Insurance

Travel and cancellation insurance for African hunting with full cover for every possible eventuality is **strongly recommended**. While all possible precautions are taken to protect you against accidents, sickness or any other loss, no liability can be accepted in these regards. You are therefore required to arrange your own personal, travel, hunting and medical insurance. Please bring along original scripts and boxes of any prescription medication you're currently taking.

Liability: while every effort will be made to ensure the client's safety, NO responsibility whatsoever will be accepted for any accident, injury illness or loss whatsoever, nor any expense arising from such accidents, injury, illness or loss. It will be expected of the clients to sign an Indemnity Form before safari commences.

The client is obliged to notify the Outfitter of any special medical health conditions (i.e.: heart problems, diabetics, asthma, etc.) at prior to the arrival date.

Temperatures

The average morning temperature is 10°C/50°F.

Afternoons may be pleasant with temperatures around 26°F/79°F (however it can get much colder early in the morning or at night). The Northern Cape's weather is typical of desert and semi-desert areas. The wet season occurs from October to April, but rainfall is low, and droughts are common.

Summer: - September - April (Min: 16°C/61°F Max: 35°C/95°F) Winter: - May - August (Min: -4°C/25°F Max: 25°C/77°F)

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