

Tanji & Gambia South trip

📍 South Gambia



South Gambia rarely makes it onto a standard holiday itinerary, and that's exactly what makes this full-day 4x4 adventure worth the early start. Rather than sticking to the coast, the route heads inland through markets, workshops and villages that show a side of the country most visitors never see. The day opens at a batik and tie-dye workshop, where local artisans demonstrate how indigo dye drawn from mangrove leaves brings colour to Gambian fabric, a craft passed down through generations. From there, the pace picks up at Serekunda Market, the country's largest, a maze of stalls, traders and everyday commerce that's as lively as it is fascinating. Nearby, a visit to the recycling centre reveals how scrap materials are turned into practical household goods by hand. Livestock trading at Abuko Animal Market gives a candid look at rural commerce, and a stop in a nearby village opens the door to genuine conversations with local families, well away from any tourist script. By early afternoon, the pace slows right down at Paradise Beach, with lunch, a swim, and a proper break in the sun. The day winds up at Tanji Fishing Village, watching brightly painted boats return with the day's catch and learning how the fish is processed and preserved using methods that haven't changed in generations. It's a long day, but a rewarding one, mixing culture, craft, commerce and coastline into a single, unforgettable stretch of South Gambia.

Tour Facts

Group Size:
Private group - max 7

Language:
English, Restricted Spanish available on selected dates only

Duration:
9

Tour Type:
continuous

Tour Itinerary

8:30 AM : Meet & Greet

Meet your guide and set off on your South Gambia adventure in a comfortable 4x4 vehicle.

9:15 AM : Batik & Tie-Dye Factory

Learn how traditional Gambian fabrics are created using natural indigo dye and local techniques.

10:30 AM : Serekunda Market & Recycling Centre

Explore the country's largest market and visit the recycling centre to see local craftsmanship in action.

11:30 AM : Abuko Animal Market & Village Visit

Visit the local livestock market before driving into nearby villages to experience authentic Gambian life.

2:30 PM : Paradise Beach

Enjoy a delicious lunch, relax on the beach, or take a refreshing swim.

3:30 PM : Tanji Fishing Village

Watch local fishermen return with their catch and learn about traditional fish processing methods.

5:00 PM : Tour Concludes

Head back with wonderful memories of South Gambia's culture, traditions, and landscapes.