

Thank you for signing up to receive my newsletters. I hope you've found the previous editions informative and helpful for your vehicle- supported adventures. I trust you will enjoy this month's newsletter. If you have comments, please email me: **Bob.Wohlers@discoveroffroading.com**. You can access, download, and read previous newsletters on my website by clicking **HERE**. Look through the

Newsletter Reference for a topic that may interest you, or download them all!

4WD Clinics at the First Annual East Mojave Trek



Attention all desert lovers! The Mojave Desert Heritage & Cultural Association (MDHCA) and the California Four Wheel Drive Association (Cal4Wheel) announce a unique opportunity to enhance your knowledge and understanding of the eastern Mojave Desert.

Whether you are an experienced off-roader or a novice, don't miss the East Mojave Trek on April 18-21, 2024, in Goffs, California.

I want to see you at this event! I will be donating my time to teach three clinics at the event focusing on off-road planning and safety. Topics include:

1. The Total Approach to Getting Unstuck Off-Road - This is a Hands-On Skill Clinic

- 2. In-Field Tire Repair This is a Hands-On Skill Clinic
- 3. Basic Survival for Vehicle-Supported Adventurers Knowledge Clinic

Registration for the event includes attendance at my clinics, camping on site, dinners in the evening, raffle, event T-Shirt, docent lead tours of the Goffs Schoolhouse and property, plus motorized tours of the east Mojave, including portions of the Mojave Road and the East Mojave Heritage Trail.

Come and hangout in the spectacular Mojave Desert with the wonderful Cal4Wheel members. I'd love to share some time with you at this event and around a campfire.

To join this most worthy association, Cal4Wheel, and learn more about the East Mojave Trek, click **HERE**.

To learn more about the Mojave Desert Heritage & Cultural Association (MDHCA), click **HERE**. This is a hard working association worthy of your membership. Their purpose is to preserve and share with you this very special region.

Off-Road Safety Academy's 2024 4WD Courses



In my next newsletter, I'll announce several dates for my Intro to 4WD Discovery courses and Total Approach to Getting Unstuck Recovery courses. Watch your email in box for this newsletter in about a week.

Off-Road Safety Academy's 2024 Adventure Tours

NOTE

Over the last three years, all Off-Road Safety Academy's Adventure Tours sold out. In fact, one of the 2023 Baja Tours sold out in 2.5 hours after tickets were released. Don't wait to sign up. Go to TicketLeap now to reserve your spot. Once a tour is full, waitlists are started.

You want Baja Adventure? You got it.

Worry Less, Explore More

Concerned about going to Baja? No need to worry. Journey with me – a real Baja and overlanding 4WD expert. Journey with someone that:

- * Teaches off-roading full time will give you 4WD instruction on the tour
- * Has written popular books on 4WD driving
- * Is a Wilderness First Aid Instructor and brings an AED on the tour
- * Knows Baja intimately (My first trip to Baja was in 1969 during high school!)
- * Has a degree in biology and knows Baja flora and fauna
- * Takes you to the most scenic camping sites
- * Has satellite emergency communication and contacts should vehicle problems or illnesses and injuries arise
- * Is a TreadLightly Master Tread Trainer
- * Is fully invested in making YOUR adventure fun, exciting, and comfortable

Two different Baja Tours are offered in 2024:

Camp on Baja Beaches Adventure Tour

and,

Baja's Hidden Heart Adventure Tour (New for 2024)

Camp on Baja Beaches Adventure Tour

April 25 - May 2

This seven-night, eight-day tour begins in Calexico, California and ends in Tecate, Mexico. The tour's route is mostly on pavement and some magnificent 4WD offroading through exceptionally scenic desert landscapes. You will visit San Felipe, Bahia San Luis Gonzaga, and Bahia de Los Angeles on the Sea of Cortez side. The tour off-roads to the furthest north stone mission in Baja, then crosses the peninsula to Hwy 1 and travels through Catavina, Punta Banda, and Ensenada. Camping during this tour is on gorgeous remote beaches.

For more information and to purchase tickets click HERE.

Cost: \$1600 per vehicle. Bring as many passengers as you have legal seat belts.



Video Overview

Here's a video overview of Off-Road Safety Academy's "Camp on Baja Beaches Adventure Tour." Click **HERE** to take you to the

YouTube video. Video courtesy of Four Wheel Campers. A trusted partner of Off-Road Safety Academy.



Baja's Hidden Heart Adventure Tour - New for 2024

December 12-20

This eight-night, nine-day adventure tour features a new and exciting route through Baja. You will be off-roading along the Sea of Cortez, the Pacific Coast, and through the middle of the Baja Peninsula. You will encounter wondrous landscapes, stunning ocean campsites, and relaxed evening campfires. The tour includes a Gray Whale encounter in the famous Scammon's Lagoon using a certified boat operator near the wonderful town of Guerrero Negro. During our inland wanderings, we will visit a famous Baja cave paintings area. New radiocarbon techniques dates these paintings back 11,000 years, roughly the same time as the end of the first ice age. The paintings are called the oldest on the continent.

For more information on this tour and purchase tickets, click HERE.

Cost: \$1700 per vehicle. Bring as many passengers as you have legal seat belts. (Cost includes one whale encounter. Additional per person encounter tickets = \$60 US.)





To Participate on a Baja Adventure Tour

Any 4WD vehicle that is set up for self-contained overlanding and remote-style camping is welcome on the tours. All participants will need a valid passport that is not set to expire 180 days or less prior to entering Mexico.

Tour cost is per vehicle. You may bring along as many passengers as you have legal seatbelts in your vehicle.

Costs:

Camp on Baja Beaches Adventure Tour - \$1600 US per vehicle Baja's Hidden Heart Adventure Tour - \$1700 US per vehicle (Cost includes one four-hour Gray Whale encounter. Additional encounters are \$60 per additional person.) Each tour teaches you how to: 1) secure Mexican auto insurance, 2) complete Mexican Tourist Cards online, 3) cross an international border, and 4) travel safely in Mexico.

For more information and to purchase tickets on the Baja Tours, click HERE.

Death Valley Overland Adventure Tour



June 6-9

Death Valley is iconic, fabulously scenic and remote. Three days and three nights of overlanding exploring the largest National Park in the lower 48 States. Over 80-percent of this beautiful park can't be seen from the pavement – you have to venture off-road. Off-Road Safety Academy takes you to the best sights. Sand dunes, canyons, hot springs, playas, craters, mines, and high-altitude trails are all

part of this adventure tour. This tour visits Saline Valley, Hunter Mountain, Hidden Valley, Tea Kettle Junction, Racetrack, and Ubehebe Crater.

This is an overlanding-style tour for 4WD vehicles only. You must be selfcontained and self-reliant as we camp at a different remote location each night.

Cost: \$650.00 per vehicle. Bring as many passengers as you have legal seat belts.

For more information and to purchase tickets click HERE.



Death Valley Basecamp Adventure Tour



October 31-November 3

This Death Valley adventure is for those who either: 1) Tow their 4WD behind a motorhome or truck, 2) Like to basecamp (meaning camp in the same location each night), and/or 3) Like the challenge of a more difficult off-road trail. Unlike Off-Road Safety Academy's overlanding-style adventure tours, the trails traveled on this tour are a bit more challenging. There will be some rock crawling on this tour so short wheelbase vehicles are preferred. Front and rear frame-mounted recovery points, a small suspension lift, larger than stock tires, a rear axle locker (or Electronic Traction Control), and rock rails are required.

The tour route includes visiting several remote backcountry miner's cabins, including a visit to Barker Ranch where Charles Manson was apprehended by law enforcement. History at its best!

Cost: \$650.00 per vehicle. Bring as many passengers as you have legal seat belts.

For more information and to purchase tickets click HERE.



Want More Information on Tours and 4WD Courses for 2024?

Can You Say Zoom Call?

Catch me live on a Zoom Call! If you have questions for me and Off-Road Safety Academy's scheduled offerings for 2024, join me on a Zoom Call:

Friday, February 2 at 6:30 PM (PST).

We'll make this call fun and informative.

My Zoom subscription allows up to 100 participants. First come, first admitted. I hope to see you on this call!

Five minutes prior to the start of the call click HERE to attend the Zoom Meeting.

Or, use this link to cut and paste in your web browser: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89879196803?pwd= LB4AAd92y1kDyKwkBTrqOfDp7Uqav0.1

Soon I will be posting on my website's calendar the dates of my 2024 4WD courses. I will be offering an Intro to 4WD and Total Approach to Getting Unstuck Recovery Course. Watch for a future newsletter on these courses. Also, check my calendar for these course offerings. Click **HERE** to go to my website's calendar.



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