

SAFARI TIMES HUNT REPORTS

NORTH AMERICA UNITED STATES



Arsenault's mule deer

October 2005. William Arsenault of California booked a hunt with **Steve Captain of Wilderness Outfitters**, to Idaho. Steve Captain guided William to shoot his elk and mule deer using a Browning Medallion A-Bolt .300 Winchester Mag. William used Federal Vital-Shok ammo with 180-grain Nosler bullets. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were wet and dry, horses were our transportation. **Personal highlights:** "The experience and teamwork of Steve Captain and Steve Myers was a hunter's dream. They delivered the exact hunting experience that I asked for. Even as a seasoned hunter, I learned several new techniques from them. The food provided out of a wilderness camp was much better than I expected. Fresh breads, tasty desserts, and large portions had me gaining weight during the hunt." **Comments on performance of guide:** "The guide (Steve Captain) did an excellent job locating and estimating game. Through his ability to see game at any time, I was able to take a very nice mule deer. An additional benefit was having a wrangler (Steve Myers) who was a great guide as well. Steve and Steve worked very well together. They provided a hunting experience I will never forget." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Wilderness Outfitters did a great job through all phases of the hunt. From pre-hunt communications to arranging for the game meat processing, Shelda and Scott Farr provided a hands-on approach that handled all the details. My wife joined me on this hunt and everyone at Wilderness Outfitters made her welcome and comfortable. She would recommend that other spouses consider this hunt." **Cost of hunt:** \$5,600



Neilson's fallow deer

December 2005. Mike E. Neilson of Danville, Indiana booked a hunt with **Matt & Cheryl Napper of Shiloh Hunting Ranch**, to Oklahoma. Matt and Cheryl Napper guided Mike to shoot his fallow buck and hog. Mike used his Hoyt Magna Tec Bow with Easton 2219 Aluminum arrows, Magnus II broadhead. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were dry; vehicle and foot were the transportation. **Personal highlights:** "Taking a fine 169 point record book fallow buck and scouting out and setting up two stands for a pair of my former students." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Matt and Cheryl could not have treated me and my group any better. They were the perfect guides, helping us find hot spots, collecting game and educating us on hog hunting." **Cost of hunt:** \$1,795



Wilder's axis deer

December 2005. Briant Wilder of from North Carolina booked a hunt to **Broken T Ranch** in Texas. Judd Wroe was Briant's guide. Judd guided Briant to shoot his whitetail and axis deer using his Tikka M695

.30-06 with Sierra 165-grain bullets. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Dry conditions, and used a vehicle for transportation. **Personal highlights:** "We were able to hunt during the rut in a free range environment with the opportunity to see many deer. I killed a trophy, free range axis on the last day." **Comments on performance of guide:** "The guide(s) couldn't have been better. They are ranch employees and really know the area. Make every effort to ensure a good hunt." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Flatwoods Outfitters of Hubert, North Carolina made the arrangements. I served with owner in the Marines. He was a fine Marine and is a great outfitter." **Cost of hunt:** \$2,900



Sawyer grizzly

April 2005. Chris Sawyer of Missouri booked a hunt with **Joe Mott and Curly Warren of Stony River Lodge**, to Alaska. Joe Mott guided Chris to shoot his common grizzly with a Remington 700 BDL Custom .338 Winchester Mag with 250-grain Nosler bullets. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were cold; they used foot and air transportation. **Personal highlights:** "SRL accommodations are 1st Class. The high light was the 4.5 hour stalk and having the bear turn the stalk around and come looking for us. Single shot @ 45 yards. (Finding out my bear was 27 3/4 inches tied for the current #2 SCI)." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Joe Mott is a true professional. This was my second hunt with Joe, and he's unbelievable in the field on top of being a great guy." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "The best in Alaska." **Cost of hunt:** \$12,000

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How To File A Hunt Report

SCI maintains a file of reports about outfitters, guides and hunting conditions. Members are invited to review them before booking their hunts by the Trophy Records Department at SCI Headquarters (520) 620-1220. This service is free to National, International and Chapter members who are, in turn, asked to contribute to the database by submitting detailed reports of their own hunts. SCI accepts reports of hunts taken by SCI members only. Reports

submitted by non-SCI members will not be accepted. Because of the volume of hunt reports received every month, *Safari Times* is unable to publish every report. However, all reports will be filed in the Trophy Records Department for member review.

Use only the official SCI Hunt Report forms. Report must be original, and must include the SCI member's signature and membership number. (For forms, write Hunt Reports, Safari Club International, 4800 W. Gates Pass Rd., Tucson, AZ. 85745.)

Send a separate report for each hunt. Reports are filed

for future use by other members. Put the hunt date on the form, along with the date that the report is submitted. Fill in all the blanks.

To be considered for use in *Safari Times*, photos must be good quality prints of trophy-class animals. Please do not staple. Use paper clips to attach pertinent hunt data such as your name, outfitter name, species, hunt date, trophy score, etc. on a separate piece of paper. Or use a gummed label to affix to back of photo. Never write directly on a photo. Photos cannot be returned.

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AFRICA



Wilks' sable

June/July 2005. Roger Wilks from England booked a hunt with **Abie Du Plooy Hunting** to Kafue. Abie Du Plooy guided Roger to shoot his sable, Kafue Lechwe, Lichtenstein hartebeest, tessebee, reedbuck, bush pig, warthog and lots of fish. Trophies were taken from 60 to 260 yards. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Dry, conditions. Vehicle, boat and foot were the transportation. **Personal highlights:** "Taking the Zambian species unobtainable on the South African Ranches with out the big daily rates of the government area." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Abie Du Plooy has about 40 years experience as a PH and could possibly do a ranch hunt blindfolded but is still able to give you an exciting and interesting hunt woven through with his own unique sense of humor." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Abie Du Plooy is both the guide and outfitter." **Cost of hunt:** \$3,500



Walter's white springbok

December 2005. Mike Walter from Colorado booked a hunt with **Southern Cross Safaris** to Mortimer District, South Africa. Pierre guided Mike to shoot his kudu, gemsbok, springbok (common, black and white), duiker, blesbok, and impala. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Dry conditions. Vehicle transportation. **Personal highlights:** "I was able to take all of the trophies that I came for. I took an extremely rare white springbok that had ivory colored horns." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Pierre was my PH and was absolutely incredible. He was extremely knowledgeable of the animals and was able to hunt the way that I wanted to, which was walking and stalking my animals. Pierre was extremely professional." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Chris and his wife Alexi were just

incredible hosts; they took us into their home and treated us like family. The facilities were incredible and the staff was great. Chris and I actually became good friends during my stay." **General comments:** "Chris has a unique bar underneath his house that resembles an old English Pub. We spent many evenings in there drinking and talking of the prior day's hunt. Chris also has a really nice fire pit that we would retire to each night. You get extremely personal attention and have great accommodations to go along with it, in addition to an abundance of animals that are truly quality species." **Cost of hunt:** \$9,500



Paul's gerenuk

July 2005. Raj S. Paul from Texas booked a hunt with **Game Frontiers of Tanzania** to Tanzania. Claude Kleynhans guided Raj to shoot his lesser kudu, gerenuk, Grant's, Thompson's gazelle, East African impala, East African Eland, hyena and leopard. Raj used his .470 Krieghoff double rifle a .30-06. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were dry. Transportation was either by vehicle or air. **Personal highlights:** "One afternoon in Longido as we had our lunch in the bush, we could see around us elephants, gazelle, zebra, impala, wildebeest, warthogs and the occasional Masai. What an incredible experience!" **Comments on performance of guide:** "Claude is an excellent guide, very knowledgeable and a good judge of trophies." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Game Frontiers is an A+ company." **Cost of hunt:** \$40,000



Shephard's kudu

September 2005. Dianne Shephard from Georgia booked a hunt with **Sandveld Safaris Game** to Kimberly, South Africa. John Myer guided Dianne to shoot her gemsbok, kudu, impala and springbok.

Dianne used a .338 Winchester with 225-grain bullets. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were dry. Transportation was vehicle. **Personal highlights:** "My first hunt and I fell in love with hunting." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Very good." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Very good." **Cost of hunt:** \$5,500

EUROPE SPAIN



Farnam's Beceite ibex

November 2005. Mark Farnam from North Dakota booked a hunt with **Fernando Saiz** to Spain. Alonso B. Quiros was his guide. Alonso guided Mark to shoot his Gredos ibex, Beceite ibex, Mouflon sheep and Pyrenean chamois. Mark used his .300 Weatherby and 180-grain Hornady bullets. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent dry conditions, vehicle transportation. **Personal highlights:** "A great trip! My wife accompanied me on this trip she loved it!" **Comments on performance of guide:** "Excellent service, always on top of everything." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Very organized, everything was on time and went very smoothly." **Cost of hunt:** N/A

SOUTH PACIFIC AUSTRALIA



Lu's water buffalo

November 2005. Wayne Lu from Kula, Hawaii booked a hunt with **Australian Big Game Safaris** to Northern Territory in Australia. Simon Kyle Little guided Wayne to shoot his water buffalo. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were hot. Transportation was by vehicle, foot or air. **Personal highlights:** "Good quality hunt experience." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Excellent PH very knowledgeable, good fellowship, excellent outfitter." **Cost of hunt:** \$8,500