

# SAFARI TIMES HUNT REPORTS

## NORTH AMERICA CANADA



White's muskox

**August 2005.** Steven White from New York booked a hunt with **High Arctic Lodge** to Nunavut, Canada. Ronnie Apok-Akhok, assistant – Chris Walford guided Steven to shoot his muskox using his Remington Model 700 muzzleloader 50 caliber topped with 1.5-6X Leupold Vari-X III, firing 300 grain Barnes X-Pander bullets. Steven also used 7x30 Swarovski binoculars and a Leica rangefinder. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Windy conditions. Air, boat and foot transportation. **Personal highlights:** "Taking a trophy class muskox with my muzzleloader." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Great judge of trophy heads on animal that is hard to field judge." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Fred Hamilton and staff went out of their way to make this a very special hunt." **Cost of hunt:** \$5,600

## UNITED STATES



Brice's scimitar-horned oryx

**October 2005.** Jacquie Brice (age 13) of California and her parents booked a hunt with **Bill Figge W4 Hunting and Fishing**, to Texas. Bill Figge guided Jacquie to shoot her scimitar horned oryx. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were wet and cold being that it was fall, they used foot and vehicle transportation. **Personal highlights:** "I am so glad I got an oryx. That was the highlight of my trip. It is really big and really pretty. I love it. Ever since I saw it last year. Also, the cooking from his wife was my favorite part. (One of them!)" **Comments on performance of guide:** "Bill is a great guy. He knew the perfect blinds to sit in on each day and knew where all the animals liked to hang out. He knew exactly what he was doing all the time. When we were stalking, it was perfect. He told me what to do, and I got the oryx." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Bill is really nice. He made all us welcome and we all had a fun time. There were so many animals, and I loved driving around looking at them, especially the exotics. Bill is so great and a nice guy." **General comments, interesting sidelights, Humanitarian Services:** "Bill's wife Romy is so sweet. She is the best cook I've ever met. His daughter Clair is the politest girl I've ever met and she's only three. I loved driving around in "The Mule" (a camouflage golf cart) and looking at animals." **Cost of hunt:** N/A



Brice's white-tailed deer

**November 2004.** Nikki Brice (age 11) of California and her parents booked a hunt with **Bill Figge W4 Hunting and Fishing**, to Texas. Bill Figge guided Nikki to shoot her white-tailed deer. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were wet and cold being that it was fall, they used vehicle transportation. **Personal highlights:** "Were when I got my first animal. I also really enjoyed

catching the catfish." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Great. He talked me through everything and made the animals clear." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Awesome. He was on time and ready to go when we were. He was fun to be with and he gave us a great experience." **General comments, interesting sidelights, Humanitarian Services:** "Bill has a beautiful ranch and I had a great time." **Cost of hunt:** \$2,850



Brice's white-tailed deer

**November 2004.** Jacquie Brice (age 12) of California and her parents booked a hunt with **Bill Figge W4 Hunting and Fishing**, to Texas. Bill Figge guided Jacquie to shoot her white-tailed deer. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were wet and cold being that it was fall, they used vehicle transportation. **Personal highlights:** "I was so excited by my deer it was so beautiful and I loved watching him gut my deer. He even let me hold some of the insides. He also took us fishing and we got a huge catfish. Romy, his wife cooked it for us." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Bill is a great guy. He seems a little shy and quiet at first, but we made him laugh and open up. He is so funny and nice. He is a great guide. He was always on time and helped and talked me through my shot." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "He helped me be confident, and told me when the perfect time to shoot was. He told me about tall his experiences in the blind and told me what to look for in a deer." **General comments, interesting sidelights, Humanitarian Services:** "Bill has a great family, and he is a great guy. He showed us all around his ranch, and showed us his zebra. Also, he showed us many other animals besides the whitetail like black buck and oryx." **Cost of hunt:** \$2,850

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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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Hansen's whitetail deer

**October 2005.** Marc Hansen from Pennsylvania booked a hunt with **Redpine Whitetails, Inc.** in Michigan. Mike Nasser guided Marc Hansen to shoot his whitetail deer. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Dry and hot conditions, and used a vehicle for transportation. **Personal highlights:** "A lifetime goal of mine was to shot a 200 typical whitetail. I took a 210+ buck full-filling this goal. This was a "once in a life-time animal" and ecstatic would understate my feeling. We saw this buck last year and it was fun waiting-hoping he'd mature to 200+." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Mike and I have hunter together 4 times and are friends. He is competent and knows how to judge and stalk the big ones. Most of all he is fun and its like hunting with your best friend." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Larry and Cindy run a first class operation. I have been here 4 times and feel like I'm returning to hunting camp. The entire Redpine staff are outstanding and each have become valued friends." **General comments, interesting sidelights, Humanitarian Services:** "I love this place. It is fun to keep returning and watch the animals mature from year to year. It is also fun to return to a camp and folks you are comfortable with and enjoy." **Cost of hunt:** \$13,500

## AFRICA



Cobb's kudu

**September 2005.** William "Ty" Cobb from Illinois booked a hunt with **Southern Cross Safaris** to RSA. Pierre Moolman guided Ty to shoot his kudu, eland, gemsbok, blesbok, impala, springbok, mountain reed-buck, fallow deer and Steinbeck. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Dry, conditions. Vehicle transportation. **Personal highlights:** "My wife and I delighted in the camaraderie with my PH Pierre Moolman and the Cawood family - Chris, his wife Alexia, and Pat (Chris's mum) - who brought us into their home and treated us like royalty. The entire staff provided competent and

friendly service. We felt welcome and appreciated." **Comments on performance of guide:** "My PH Pierre was very knowledgeable and professional. We bagged every animal that we stalked. It was as if he was in the head of the animal and knew what it was going to do." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "I had read so much about hunting in Africa so my expectation ran high. Chris Cawood and my PH Pierre exceeded those expectations. We took nine animals, five qualify for the SCI book and the others came close." **General comments:** "Learning about the history of the area and its culture fascinated us, including the background of Cawood family, the local towns (Craddock and Somerset East), the Bushman Cave paintings located on the ranch, and influence of colonialism and apartheid." **Cost of hunt:** \$10,000



Schultz's elephant

**September 2005.** Lee Schultz from California booked a hunt with **HHK Safaris** to Zimbabwe. Ade Langley guided Lee to shoot his bull elephant, using his FN Mouser .458 Winchester with 500 grain Trophy Bonded Sledgehammer solids and used .375 H & H Winchester Nosler bullets on the bull kudu, and impala. He took his trophies between the ranges of 25-300 yards. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Dry and hot conditions. Vehicle and foot transportation. **Personal highlights:** "P.H.'s knowledge and camp staff were great and downing a bull elephant. Most exiting 5 seconds of my life." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Don't know how he could have performed better. Also, darn good camp company. P.H.'s trackers were excellent and worked hard for me." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "No problems. All went as anticipated. Camp was kept well supplied and clean." **Cost of hunt:** \$25,000



Sparks' oryx

**July 2005.** Robert Sparks from Wisconsin booked a hunt with **Christies Adventures** to Namibia. Christie guided Robert to shoot his 1 - kudu, 2 - oryx, 2-Hartman mountain zebra, red hartebeest, blue wildebeest, blesbok, springbuck, jackal, and 3 - warthogs with his Remington and .300 Winchester Mag using a 200 grain bullet. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were dry. Transportation was either by vehi-

cle or foot. **Personal highlights:** "Seeing the spectacular African sunsets and getting several gold medal animals and meeting some wonderful people." **Comments on performance guide:** "Did a great job, his eyes were sure better than mine, could not have done it with him." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "Excellent camp, food and staff worked very hard to get me the animals I wanted and then some." **General comments:** "Went to Towr Himba Village." **Cost of hunt:** N/A

## EUROPE

### SPAIN

**September 2005.** Matthew Bickley from Austin, Texas, booked a hunt with **Giuseppe Carrifosa** to Castilla La Mancha & Andalucia. Marco & Curro Carrifosa were his guides. Marco & Curro guided Matthew Bickley to shoot his fallow deer. **Evaluation of support:** Excellent conditions, vehicle and foot were the transportation. **Personal highlights:** "Watching Curro's hunting dog Balla in action was amazing. Being able to shoot my first deer from several hundred year old monastery was great." **Comments on performance of guide:** "Marco and Curro were very professional guides. They were very patient with us. We saw lots of animals." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "All of our needs were taken care of. By far the best outfitter I have ever hunted with. All our expectations were exceeded." **Interesting sidelights or General comments:** "The food was amazing. We got to see a bull fight. We got to see Seville, the windmills, Toledo. Curro took us on a tour of the property. They were all amazing hosts." **Cost of hunt:** N/A

## ASIA

### MONGOLIA



Harrison's ibex

**October 2005.** Judge William A. Harrison from Lacey, Washington, booked a hunt with **Mongolian Travel, USA, Inc.** to Mongolia. There was a Senior and Junior Guide. They guided Judge William A. Harrison to shoot his ibex using his Model 70 Winchester 7mm magnum, 175-grain bullets, Leupold Vari-X III 1.5-6 scope, 7x50 binocular, and a Laser rangefinder. Trophy was taken at 365 yards, with only one shot. **Elevation of support:** Excellent. Conditions were temperate. Transportation was air, vehicle or foot. **Personal highlights:** "The mountain hunting was strenuous. There was no luck on the first 4 days of the ibex hunt. On the fifth and final day at 6:00 p.m. saw ibex - shot same." **Comments on performance of guide:** "The senior guide was expert at spotting game and in planning the approach and stalk. The junior guide was willing and good spotter, also." **Comments on performance of outfitter:** "The outfitter Batsukh Delgersuren is located at Mongolia Travel here in the states (Virginia). He is organized, helpful and thorough." **General comments:** "Excellent "Golden Nadam" Festival - Ride on Camel." **Cost of hunt:** \$4,000