

SAFARI TIMES HUNT REPORTS

CANADA



Jankin's sheep

August 2005. Charles A. Jankins from Colorado booked a hunt with **Blackstone Outfitters** to Yukon, Canada. Jarod Caldwell and Paul Weisser were his guides. Both gentlemen guided Charles to shoot his Fannin sheep. *Evaluation of support:* Excellent. Dry, wet and cold conditions. Air and foot transportation. *Personal highlights:* "After many days of hiking and backpacking, and sighting the rams on three consecutive days only have our talks foiled by the weather, we finally got within range of this beautiful 12-year-old Fannin ram." *Comments on performance of guide:* "My guides are buddies from previous hunts. Jarod Caldwell guided me in 2002 for a Dall sheep in Jim's area and Paul Weisser guided me on two hunts in 1995 and 1997 in the NWT getting a 40-inch ram." *Comments on performance of outfitter:* "I can't give enough kudos to Jim and Adrienne Fink of Blackstone Outfitters. They have a great area and staff and work hard to make sure the client goes home happy and feeling like a part of the family." *General comments, interesting sidelights, Humanitarian Services:* "I have hunted with Blackstone Outfitters two times now and am planning to return in 2008. I highly recommend this hunt." *Cost of hunt:* \$12,000

UNITED STATES

October 2004. Shaun E. Morgan of Stockbridge, Michigan booked a hunt with **Five Star Expeditions** in unit 48 of Wyoming. Tom, from Cabela's, guided Shaun to kill an elk using his Ruger rifle 200-grain Barnes X bullets. At 374 yards, Shaun spotted his elk using a Steiner binocular, a Leupold scope, and a Bushnell rangefinder. *Evaluation of support:* Good. Dry and hot conditions. Vehicle and foot transportation. *Personal highlights:* "Seeing elk every time while in the field." *Comments on performance of guide:* "He was good. He knew where the animals would be." *Comments on performance of outfitter:* "Good. No surprises." *Cost of hunt:* \$4,900



Diggen's brown bear

April 2005. Vance Diggins of Longmont, Colorado booked a hunt with **Glacier Guides, Inc.** in the south-east region of Alaska. Alisha Rosenbruch guided Vance to kill a brown bear using his McMillan Brothers's .416 Remington with 400-grain Trophy Bonded bullets. At approximately 85 yards, Vance killed his bear using his Swarovskis. *Evaluation of support:* Excellent. Six to 12 months for delivery of trophies. Dry conditions. Air and boat transportation. *Personal highlights:* "Hunting the brown bear!" *Comments on performance of guide:* "Very high level of skill and professionalism. Impressive!" *Comments on performance of outfitter:* "Outstanding!" *Cost of hunt:* \$19,900

AFRICA

May 2005. Pedro Ribeiro of Miami Beach, Florida booked a hunt with **Riandi Safaris** in the Northern Cape of South Africa. David Herselman guided Pedro to kill a gemsbuck, kudu, impala, blesbuck, mountain reedbuck, springbuck and a steenbuck using his .300 Winchester Mag. Remington Model 700 and 180-grain Remington loads. From 250 yards, Pedro used his Zeiss Conquest 3-9x40 to kill the 38 1/4-inch male gemsbuck. *Evaluation of support:* Excellent. Conditions, dry and cold. Air, vehicle, and foot transportation. *Personal highlights:* It was the first time I went to Africa and I loved every aspect of the hunt. An excellent place and I recommend it to everyone! *Comments on performance of guide:* David Herselman (the PH) is a gentleman who has the ability to transmit serenity and self-assurance to his customer. I hope to hunt with him again in the future. His attention to detail, perseverance, and politeness is second-to-none. *Comments on performance of outfitter:* The best I have ever hunted with. Handre Hubble and his father take care of the place with amazing attention to

detail and cleanliness. Riandi Safaris has top quality trophies, great equipment (vehicles, radios, etc), and awesome food!

Cost of hunt: \$4,500



Gonzalez's kudu

From October to November 2004, Ramon E. Gonzalez III of Alexandria, Virginia booked a hunt with **Libah Hunting Safari** in Ethiopia where he traveled and hunted in the Danikal Desert, the Aluto and Jibat Mountains, and the Langano Lake area. Dimitris Assimacopoulos (also the outfitter) and Ionis guided Ramon to kill a giant forest hog, a lesser kudu, a northern gerenuk, and a salt dik-dik using his custom. 458 Mag and 7mm Mag with 458- to 500-grain solids and 158-grain Nosler partition. From 50 to 250 meters, Ramon used his Leupold 3x9 and 7mm Leupold 1.5x3 on 458, XII scope, 10x Steiner, Bushnell rangefinder, and found satellite/cell phones very important. *Evaluation of support:* Excellent food and trophy preparation. The equipment and trophy shipping were good – it took several months for delivery. Conditions varied – dry and hot in the desert, wet, cold, and warm in the mountains, and the plains were warm and dry. Vehicle, horse, and foot transportation. *Personal highlights:* "Dimitris is the best outfitter in Ethiopia. I fought to get my individual game licenses up to the last moment before arrival in Ethiopia, and we were 100 percent successful! Dimitris was with me throughout the hunt, personally or by phone, and his son was with me daily. This hunt was unique as there is a chance to visit three very different areas of Ethiopia." *Comments on performance of guide:* "Ionis Assimacopoulos is the grandson of the founder. He is very experienced. We woke up at 4 a.m. to travel three hours just to try and get game. Ionis makes friends with the locals by rewarding them if they espy game."

Cost of hunt: \$29,000 (plus airfare and hotel in Addis Ababa)

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.