

David Denies

BIRD HUNTING

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BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA





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Asophisticated and luxurious estancia situated on 60 hectares of a pristine Argentine woodland preserve along the Salado River.

Located in the Province of Buenos Aires, just a short 2 hour drive from the city, Los Crestones Lodge offers epic duck hunting over decoys combined with perdiz over dogs and spectacular dove shooting.

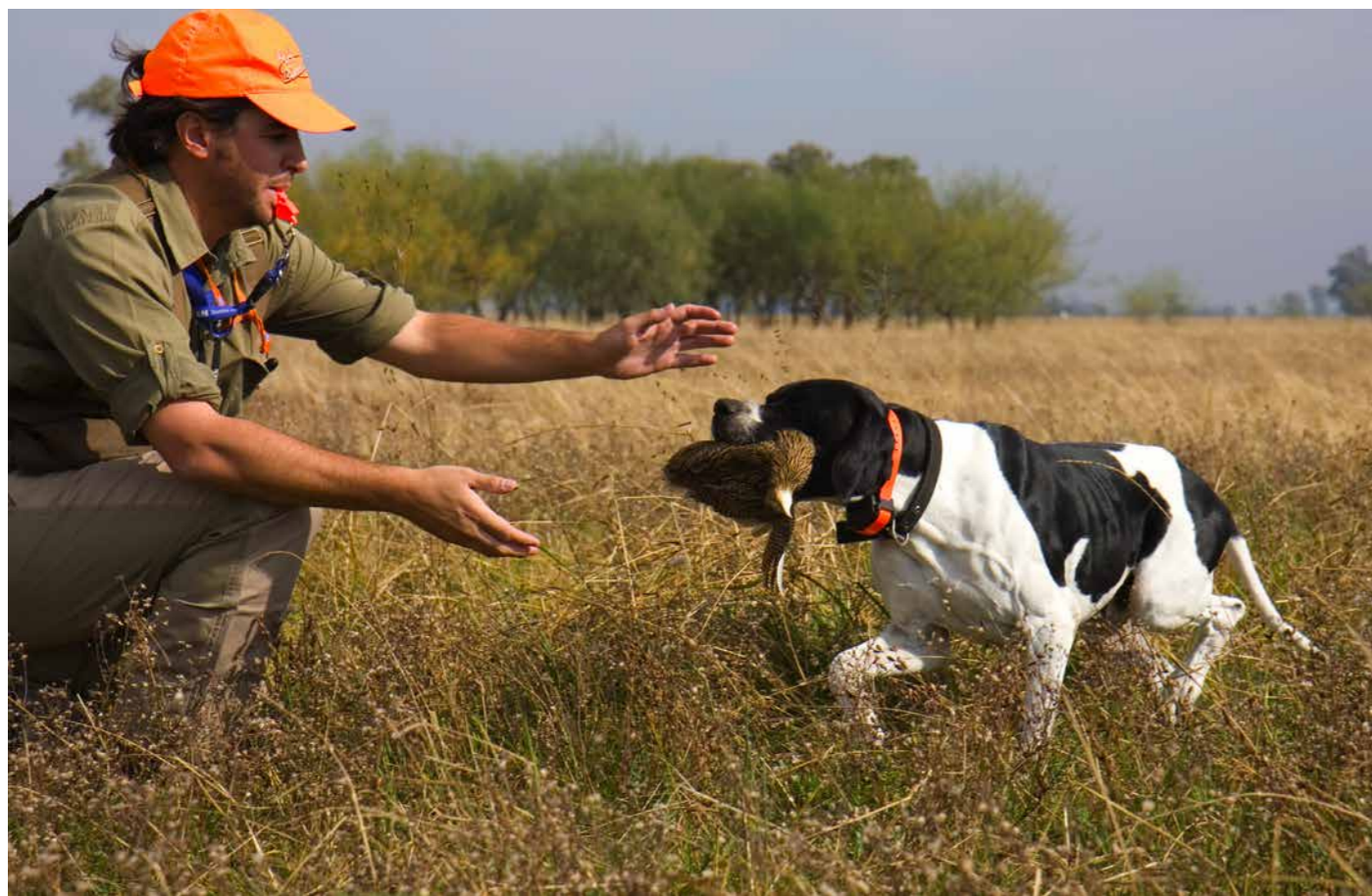
Especially for those who appreciate shooting behind fine gun dogs, Los Crestones is special. Our staff has been training sporting dogs for years, especially for this for this program, and they are a joy to witness at work, in the field and in the marshes.

In addition to world class wingshooting, Los Crestones also offers big game hunting, on it's nearby rangeland, that is teeming with wild axis deer, elegant blackbuck and other big game hunting opportunities.

Los Crestones Lodge features 10 elegantly appointed bedrooms, each with King Bed and private bath, and we can host up to a maximum of 8 hunters, as well as opportunities for non-hunting companions to join. All paired with the service and impeccable attention to detail, that David Denies is known for.

At Los Crestones we believe we have created a unique opportunity— offering a truly wild mixed bag hunt, supported by a talented and knowledgeable staff and great working dogs, all within a short drive from the international airport.





WHY CHOOSE LOS CRESTONES LODGE?

- Our Premiere Mixed Bag hunting venue, offering incredible hunting opportunities for ducks, doves, upland and big game species. All truly wild, and in numbers which rival any area in South America.
- At a mere 2 hours drive from the international airport in Buenos Aires, you will be at the lodge with time to enjoy lunch and a rest before your first afternoon hunt.
- A historic 19th century estancia, meticulously refurbished with all the comforts and amenities of the finest hotels.
- Single rooms with king beds, a full spa, game room, open bar and TV room and plenty of space to relax.
- Hunt ducks in the morning with our professional guides and their retrievers, return to the lodge for lunch and after a short siesta spend your afternoon hunting perdiz over pointers, or doves at one of our nearby roosts.
- Opportunities to stalk axis deer, blackbuck and other big game, with your gun or bow—our guides excel at both.
- A gourmet culinary experience, paired with fine wines are treasured traditions at all David Denies lodges, and Los Crestones is no exception.
- We can provide guns and waders so you can pack light, shorter stays can be accommodated, and Los Crestones is ideal for combination trips to Cordoba, or one of our other hunting and fishing lodges.





Most mornings are spent hunting ducks from comfortable blinds with our professional guides and their retrievers at the ready...



...in the afternoon, you will experience fast paced perdiz hunting with experienced upland guides, over their well trained pointers...



...or experience the thrill of Argentina doves at one of our nearby roosts.



LOCATION

- Los Crestones Lodge is located in Guerrero, in the province of Buenos Aires. Just 104 miles from the International Airport in Buenos Aires.

GETTING THERE

- Reaching Los Crestones is easy, the lodge is a convenient two-hour drive from Buenos Aires, via route N2 (104 miles), followed by about 5 miles on good roads through stunning Argentine countryside.
- Helicopter charters from the airport to the lodge can also be arranged, as well as private plane charters to our closest landing strip (35 minute drive).





FACILITIES AND SERVICES

- Capacity: 8 guns.
- Accommodations: 10 single rooms with king beds, with private bathroom.
- Comfortable sitting room, with fireplace, open bar and recreation area with billiards, as well as outdoors seating areas and fire pit, all with superlative views of sunsets over the Salado River.
- Full spa, with sauna, jacuzzi and masseuse.
- Pool facilities (in Season).
- WiFi Internet access and satellite TV.
- A gourmet dining experience each day, with delicious menu options including Argentina's famed beef and fine wines, locally sourced fruits and vegetables, Traditional Argentine Asado and more.
- Maid and laundry service.
- Professional hunting guides.
- Lots of options for non-hunters, including horseback riding, tennis and biking.
- Gift shop offers local artwork and crafts, logo wear and accessories.
- Gun rental, with a selection of fine over and under and semiautomatic shotguns, from Beretta, Benelli and Fausti, as well as Griffin & Howe Custom Rifles for Big Game.
- Waders provided at no extra charge.



THE HUNTING

At Los Crestones Lodge the program is focused on providing the best all around mixed bag wingshooting to be found in South America, with the heart of the program being the ability to hunt all of these species over a kennel of some of the best gun dogs in the country.

Most mornings will be spent duck hunting over decoys, joined by a professional guide and their retriever. The guide will get you situated in your blind, set the spread, call and identify the birds as they approach. You will be treated to some wonderful dog work, as the retrievers will bring all of your birds to hand. You will have opportunities at a number of South American duck species, including Yellow-billed Pintail, Speckled Teal, White-faced Whistling Duck, and the sought after Rosy-billed Pochard, to name a few.

For duck hunts there will be two hunters to a guide, and hunts will take place from a variety of blinds, and scenarios, including platform-pallet blinds and large, sunken "bucket" blinds, as well as our newly designed, custom box blinds. At the conclusion of the duck hunt, hunters will return to the lodge for lunch and a siesta, before heading out again for their afternoon session.

Afternoon hunts will rotate between the pursuit of perdiz, the fast paced action of dove shooting, or wild pigeon hunting over decoys.

Perdiz hunts will have 2 hunters joined by one of our professional guides, and a brace of pointers, setters or spaniels; searching the rich, local fields and pastures near the lodge for these hard flying upland birds.

Dove shoots take place around one of our nearby dove roosts, where blinds are strategically located to experience wonderful pass shooting, as massive flocks of fast-flying birds return from the fields each afternoon.

Pigeon hunting, when available depending upon local harvests, offers great sport. They provide for fast paced shooting as they "dip and dive" into the decoys spread, in local pastures and grain fields.

DUCK HUNTING



STANDARD PROGRAM

Our Standard Programs are based on 4 nights and 8 hunts, meaning that during your stay, you will have 4 morning hunts and 4 afternoon hunts.

We normally arrange

- Mornings: 3 Ducks Hunts + 1 Perdiz Hunt
- Afternoons: 1 Perdiz Hunt + 3 Dove Shoots

Note: There is certain flexibility to change 1 or 2 hunts. If available during the season we can add a Pigeon hunt to the equation.

PERDIZ HUNTING



DOVE SHOOTING



DAILY ITINERARY

- Morning will begin with a wake up call, approximately an hour before departure time.
- Breakfast will be served shortly thereafter, with everything from waffles to Eggs Benedict, all made to order.
- Hunters will depart the lodge well before sunrise. Drives vary depending on water conditions, but range from ten to forty five minutes.
- Shooting over decoys starts at first light and continues until 10 am or after.
- You will return to the lodge for lunch, and some time to relax, or enjoy a siesta.
- Hunters will again depart for their afternoon hunt around 3pm.
- Evening hunts last until dark, after which you will return to the lodge, where you will be met with cocktails and appetizers as well a delicious dinner.



BIG GAME HUNTING

- Brought from India to Argentina in the late 1800s, Blackbuck antelope quickly established a foothold across the fertile ground south of Buenos Aires. Today, some of the most prolific Blackbuck Antelope herds in the world can be reached within a 45-minute drive from Los Crestones Lodge.
- Los Crestones has access to the area where Blackbucks were first introduced, thanks to leases and hunting rights at local ranches. These are some of the best Blackbuck hunting grounds you'll find anywhere.
- Typical hunts involve spotting and stalking, as well targeting trophies on established routes between feeding grounds. Ground blinds and, sometimes, tree stands can be set up for archery hunters near known watering holes and crossings.
- Rifle hunting for an average, representative buck can be accomplished in one day. On the other hand, we suggest booking at least two or three full days to scout and shoot a trophy specimen. The same goes for bow hunters.
- In addition to Blackbuck, the lodge has ample opportunities for Axis Deer. Also introduced in the late 1800s, Axis deer thrive in the bushy areas of east-central Buenos Aires province. Similar to Blackbuck pursuits, one full day on these animals adds big game diversity to your wingshooting adventure. But in order to harvest a trophy Axis buck we suggest two to three hunting days on some of the best private ranches in the area.
- Our experienced guides will cater to all your hunting preferences. We have accurate rental rifles. We also have archery gear, but since a bow is a more personal piece of equipment, we suggest archers bring their own.
- We take care of trophy preparation, according to international export requirements, as well as export paperwork and shipping logistics. No details are left to chance.

ITINERARY

- After a hearty breakfast, hunters will depart the lodge for the hunting ranch. Drives vary depending on the selected hunting area, usually from 30 minutes to an hour and a half.
- Once at the ranch, hunters will head out with their guide, usually 2 hunters per guide, in search of their quarry. Hunting is generally spot and stalk, but options for tree stands and blinds may be utilized for bowhunters.
- When on horseback, the hunting party will also be accompanied by a gaucho (Wrangler), who will take care of the horses and the harvested game.
- Usually hunters will stay out all day, with a delicious Asado Lunch taken in the field. (Half day hunts can also be arranged).
- After lunch, hunters will head out and continue their pursuit, if they have not already taken their desired game, with the evening hunt lasting until dark.
- After the evening hunt, you will return to the lodge where you will be met with cocktails, appetizers and dinner, with time to relax and revel in the day's stories and excitement.
- ***For hunting some of our more distant Axis Deer locations we offer lodging on a nice ranch in the area to avoid long drives.



RATES

Season 2021: End of April until July

- **HUNTER:** \$1,650 per night
- **NON HUNTER:** \$650 per night
- **SHELLS:** \$19 per box of shells.
- **GUN RENTAL:** \$95 per day per person

- **OTHER NOT INCLUDED OPTIONS**
WILD BLACKBUCK ANTELOPE AND
WILD AXIS DEER

Only 30 min from the lodge is an area that holds the biggest herds of wild Blackbuck Antelope in the world, a bit farther away from the lodge you'll find some of the best wild Axis deer hunting in the country. Full day or half day hunts for these animals are an easy extension to your wingshooting adventure. Several of our guides at Los Crestones are experienced big game hunting guides, and know these private land areas well. They can organize a hunt and provide an accurate loaner rifle. They will also guide bowhunters, but we suggest you allow more time if you'd like to pursue either specie with the bow.

Trophy Fees

Axis Deer \$2,600
Black Buck Antelope \$1,550
Wild Boar \$800 (Tusker Male Boar)

*Prices are in USD

- **INCLUDED**

Lodging in single rooms, all meals and drinks, professional guide service and field assistants, hunting license, payment to land owners for hunting rights.

- **NOT INCLUDED**

Transfer to/from Buenos Aires:

- 1 passenger: \$450 per person per way
- 2 passengers: \$225 per person per way
- 3 to 5 passengers: \$185 per person per way
- 6 or more passengers: \$165 per person per way

Gratuities for guides and house staff; Airfares; Gun entry permits if bringing your own gun; Gun Rental; Shells.

INTERESTED IN VARIETY?

Nervous Waters, David Denies Bird Hunting and **Red Stag Patagonia** are all owned and operated by a single team of dedicated professionals focused on maintaining high standards and heightening your experiences in the outdoors.

FISHING

If fly fishing is your passion—consider the Nervous Waters family of lodges. **Nervous Waters** is the leader in international Fly Fishing destinations, with nine special lodges spread out across **Argentina, Chile,** and the **Bahamas.** We offer a plethora of coveted gamefish including bones and tarpon, sea-run and resident brown trout, rainbow trout, and golden dorado, pacu, and pira pita.

HUNTING

David Denies Bird Hunting offers a grand variety of wing shooting sport, including four uniquely beautiful lodges near Cordoba, **Argentina,** the world capital of dove shooting. Three of these Cordoba lodges focus on Dove, while the 4th is focused on Decoyed-Pigeons. Our dove lodges are 10 months of the year from January thru October, meaning you can easily combine for two or three days of world-class dove shooting while you are in Argentina or Chile with your fishing. There are also two majestic mixed bag lodges in **Uruguay,** offering walk up hunting for partridge over pointing dogs, pigeons and doves. Then two more lodges near Buenos Aires: Jacana Lodge hosts duck hunters seeking the best duck hunting on the planet, and Los Crestones, located only 2 hours from Buenos Aires airport (EZE), offer not only ducks, partridge, and dove, but big game as well (Black Buck Antelope & Axis Deer).

BIG GAME

Red Stag Patagonia, outfits some of the best Red Stag hunts in both **Argentina** and **Chile** as well as best free-range Black Buck and Axis Deer hunting in South America. Our four operations are located in Chile, Northern Patagonia, Mendoza and Buenos Aires. All of Red Stag's hunts are fair chase, open country hunts in magnificent terrain, and their success rate speaks for itself.

SEASONS BY SPECIE

Argentina, Chile & Uruguay

SPECIE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Sea-Run Brown Trout	●	●	●	●	●							●
Dorado	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Pacú & Pirá Pitá	●	●	●	●	●	●			●	●	●	●
Rainbow & Brown Trout	●	●	●	●	●	●					●	●
Doves	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Perdiz					●	●	●	●				
Ducks					●	●	●	●				
Pigeon				●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
Wild black buck & Axis deer					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Red Stag			●	●	●	●	●					
Fallow Deer			●	●	●	●	●					
Wild Boar					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●

The Bahamas

SPECIE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Bonefish	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			●	●	●



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