

David Denies
BIRD HUNTING

MONTARAZ LODGE
CÓRDOBA, ARGENTINA



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Montaraz Lodge, founded as a Jesuit mission in 1669, brings together historical elegance, with well appointed modern comfort.



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Montaraz Lodge is certainly the most exclusive pigeon shooting lodge in Córdoba, as well as in all of South America. The historical elegance of Montaraz is characterized by an exquisite colonial style. Built in the late 1600s and completely renovated in 2007, Montaraz lodge provides an elegant and comfortable base from which to enjoy the best pigeon shooting experience available.

At Montaraz, pigeon hunting takes place in traditional hunting style, from natural blinds over decoys, which are strategically placed based upon skilled scouting and planning, to ensure success.

The world's most experienced guns rank the wild pigeon among wingshooting's greatest challenges. Not only are these birds fast flying, they are extremely wary, so getting them to decoy in for a shot let's you know you've done everything right.

After the hunt you will be pampered in the finest fashion, with beautifully appointed guest rooms, at an exquisite lodge, offering all of the modern comforts one would expect at the finest hotels and resorts.

Our chef will create an array of delicious traditional specialties and international dishes, paired with the finest wines, a selection of which come from our very own vineyards, rounding out a total experience that is second to none.





WHY CHOOSE MONTARAZ LODGE?

- The only truly dedicated Pigeon Hunting lodge in all of Argentina, Montaraz focuses solely on hunting pigeons over decoys, all wild birds, in numbers that can only be found here, in this area of Cordoba.
- Just a 1 hour and 45 minute drive from Cordoba International Airport, the lodge offers easy logistics for the traveling hunter.
- A 17th-century Estancia, originally built as a Jesuit Mission, the atmosphere of history and elegance abounds. From its own olive oil factory and winery, to the 7,000 head of cattle grazing freely alongside Peruvian horses, this spectacular private ranch offers beauty and relaxation at every turn.
- Single Rooms, many with private fireplaces, a beautiful bodega and wine cellar, as well as an open bar, where you will enjoy the evening, all offer plenty of space to relax after a day of hunting.
- Hunt pigeons over decoys both morning and afternoon, for two fast flying species; the spot-winged pigeon and the grand, Pica Zuro pigeon. With convenient access and short drives to the fields, some of which are found right in our own olive groves, each day will be truly memorable!
- As with all of our David Denies lodges, you can look forward to an exceptional gourmet experience. With a la carte menus offering a mix of traditional and innovative culinary techniques, every meal will be something to remember. Spectacular Argentine asados make lunches a highlight, all paired with the Argentine wines which are known the world over.
- With its close proximity to our Cordoba Dove lodges, Montaraz can easily be combined with additional shooting opportunities, for the ultimate Argentine hunting experience.



Montaraz Lodge is in the heart of it all, with 45 hunting fields located in an area annually inhabited by more than 5 million pigeons



LOCATION

- Montaraz Lodge is located in the province of Córdoba, in central Argentina, 75 miles (120 km) northwest of the Cordoba International Airport.

GETTING THERE

- Reaching Montaraz Lodge is easy, with convenient direct flights from several U.S cities to Cordoba Argentina. Many cities also offer direct flights to Santiago, Chile or Buenos Aires, with connecting flights to Cordoba. Most schedules will allow you to make the most of your trip as you will be pigeon shooting on your day of arrival.





FACILITIES AND SERVICES

- Capacity: 10 guns.
- Accommodations: 1 double room and 8 single rooms. Each with a private, en suite bathroom.
- Comfortable sitting room, an elegant but relaxed dining room, as well as a beautiful “bodega” bar and wine cellar, offer plenty of space to relax each evening, with cocktails and a fire.
- Swimming pool, tennis court and masseuse are available.
- Stables, saddle room, and horses.
- WiFi Internet access and satellite TV.
- Gourmet dining with Argentina’s famed beef and the Estancia wine, traditional asados, fresh baked breads, delicious desserts and more.
- Maid and laundry service.
- Professional hunting guides.
- 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, Browning and Fausti.
- Comfortable 13 person capacity Mercedes Benz vans for transport to and from the hunting grounds each day.
- We can arrange many options for non-hunting guests, including historical tours and shopping trips, horseback riding, tennis and more.



THE HUNTING

- At Montaraz Lodge the program is focused on providing the very best decoyed pigeon hunting in the world. Within a 50 square mile radius of the lodge lie fields and roosts annually inhabited by over 5,000,000 pigeons. The lodge enjoys over 45 nearby shooting fields, with short scenic drives through the beautiful countryside.
- More like a “dry-land” duck hunt than a dove hunt, pigeons offer incredible sport on fast flying birds, as they both “buzz” the decoys and drop into the spread, you can expect some very challenging passing shots as well.
- Super wary, pigeons need to be given the utmost respect once you are in the blind. They will not tolerate movement and will shy off from the blind if the hunters do not remain well hidden. Our blinds are made from natural cover, and are large and comfortable enough to make hunters as successful as possible.
- Large, strong birds, pigeons can take more than you would expect to anchor them with your shot. Most of our hunters opt for 20 gauge shotguns, but 12ga are available, and 28ga offer a great challenge as well.
- Most mornings will start around 8:00 AM with a hearty breakfast, followed by a short drive to the hunting grounds. In the field, you will be joined by a professional guide, who will set up the decoys and help get you situated in your blind. You will hunt 2 guns to a blind, and your guide will be nearby, identifying birds, providing you with shot shells, refreshments and overseeing your hunt.
- Depending on the time of the year, you will shoot until just before noon, at which time you will return to the lodge and be treated to an incredible traditional Asado lunch at the lodge, featuring Argentina’s wonderful beef and our exclusive wine.
- Afternoon shoots begin at around 2 to 2:30, and continue until 5 or 6 pm, after which you will return to the lodge for cocktails at the wine cellar and early dinner.
- These birds are large and fast flying, which makes calculating their speed a bit deceptive, and so offer incredible sport both while decoying and pass shooting.





Pigeons not only fly fast and erratically, but they are also a smart and observant quarry, providing an all around sporting challenge over the decoy spread.



THE DAILY PROGRAM

- 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 together in a very comfortable Mercedes Sprinter van. Drives vary depending on time of the season, but range from five to thirty five minutes.
- Shooting over decoys starts shortly after arrival in your blind and continues until about Noon.
- 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 2 to 2:30pm
- Evening hunts last until 5 or 6 pm, after which you will return to the lodge, where you will be met with cocktails and appetizers as well a delicious dinner, and time to relax and discuss the day's hunt!



RATES

Season 2021: End of April until Late September

- **HUNTER:** \$830 per night
- **NON HUNTER:** \$450 per night
- **SPECIAL PRICE FOR PRIVATE TEAMS:** \$6,000 per night (up to 8 guests)
- **SHELLS:** \$16.50 p/box
- **LICENSES:** \$70 per person per day
- **GUN RENTAL:** \$95 per person per day
- **INCLUDED**
Lodging; Meals, all wines beer, and local spirits; Professional guide service and field assistants; horseback riding; Payment to land owners for hunting rights.
- **NOT INCLUDED**
Gratuities for guides and house staff; Airfares; Gun entry permits; Gun Rental; Shells; Masseuse; Transfer to and from the lodge.

- **PAYMENT TERMS**

50% deposit is required to guarantee booking. Final payment is due 60 days before departure. Please note this deposit is NON REFUNDABLE unless a replacement is found.

- **TRANSFER POLICY**

One transfer per group per way is included. If additional transfer is needed, \$85 p/person p/way.

*Prices are in USD

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	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
Perdíz					●	●	●	●				
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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