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# SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO LODGE

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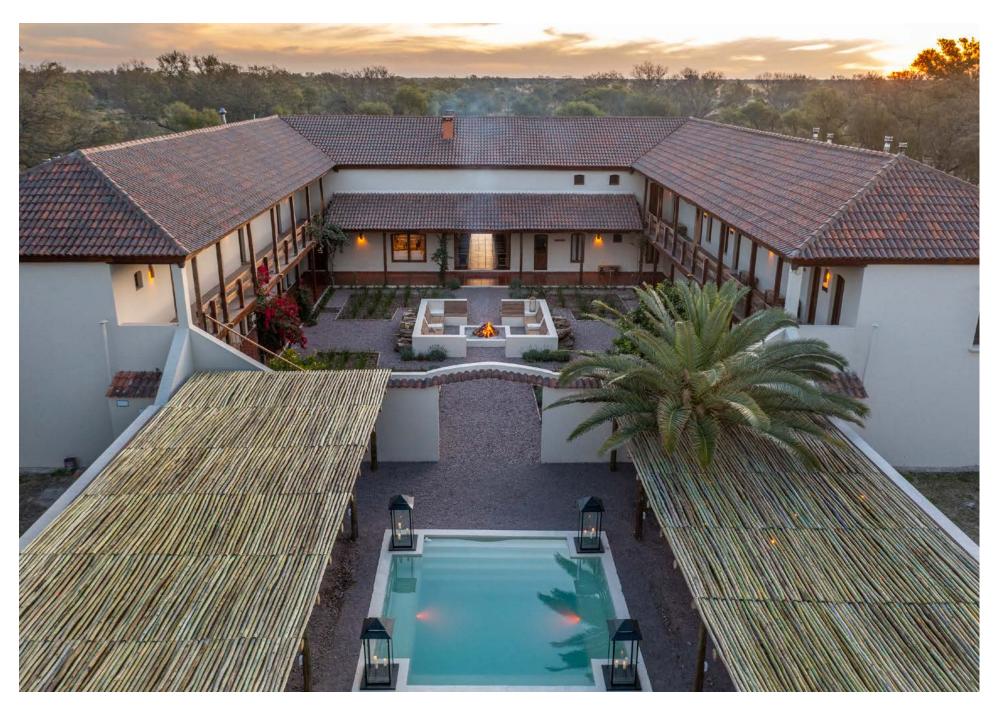
Spanish style and doves for miles

The northern province of Santiago del Estero is a new frontier in dove and pigeon shooting, in an unpressured, rural area where the local folks are happy to make your acquaintance, where the pace of life is still tied to the land, and where the doves and pigeons can at times literally darken the sky.

Here we have rebuilt a home of great consequence, a Spanish-styled manse, with sprawling courtyards, which lends rural elegance to the exciting shooting at hand. Join us as we embark on a new destination that is both compelling and unique. You will find the lodge elegant but not stilted, the service sharp but not bothersome, and the dining and amenities uniformly terrific. And all this as a framework for some of the greatest dove and pigeon shooting to be found in South America.

## WHY CHOOSE SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO LODGE?

- Operated by David Denies, the pioneer of dove shooting since 1984, Sgo. del Estero Lodge offers some of the very best high-volume dove shooting in the country combining short drives with phenomenal accommodations & service.
- Ideal for groups of up to 14-17 guests, the lodge offers 14 private rooms each with a King Size bed. The grand house can comfortably welcome couples, families, corporate parties or a group of friends.
- The facilities and amenities at the lodge are without peer in the shooting world, featuring a private billiards room, an outdoor plunge pool, massage room, wine cellar and TV room. The grounds that surround this sprawling lodge are also home to a central fire pit, which offers the perfect spot for afternoon and evening relaxation.
- Ideally located for shorter drives to the best shooting grounds. 15-30 min' drive on average all year round.
- No hunting pressure.
- Memorable service: from welcome drinks every day and cool towels in the field to turn down service at night, we have redefined the meaning of "service".
- Excellent options for combining doves & pigeons on the same trip, both with excellent logistics.
- When conditions are favorable, you may also have the possibility to add duck hunting to your stay during the winter months (May August).



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## GETTING THERE

The lodge is located in the south of the province of Santiago del Estero, in northern Argentina, 150 miles (250 km) southeast of Santiago del Estero airport (SDE). To get to Santiago del Estero Lodge there are daily direct flights from many U.S. or European cities to Buenos Aires (Ezeiza Intl. Airport). From the EZE Intl. airport hunters will need to make a connection to SDE airport (1.30 hr. flight) or transfer to the Domestic airport (AEP) and connect there to SDE. Driving time to the lodge is 3 hours by paved roads.

Another option is to fly to Santiago de Chile (SCL) with a connecting flight to Córdoba City (COR); from there hunters can either:

- drive to the lodge 4.5 hr. (220 miles = 350km)
- book a 1 hour' private charter straight to our 4500-foot landing strip

**Note I –** Hunters can also arrive into Buenos Aires and book a private charter straight to our landing strip (2.30 hr.').

**Note II –** Depending on flight schedules hunters might need to spend 1 night at Buenos Aires city.





Waves and waves of doves that fly all day every day- it truly must be seen to be believed.

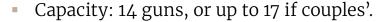


## FACILITIES AND SERVICES

The lodge houses a large traditional dining room adjacent to a comfortable sitting room with a nearby bar. The recreation room offers a pool table, with a sitting area and bar. There is also a gun cleaning room and a wine cellar. After the hunt, you can also enjoy time in the swimming pool or just relax in the sitting area aside at our inviting fire pit. After the hunt you can also enjoy time in the swimming pool, or just relax in the sitting area aside at our inviting fire pit.



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- Accommodation: 11 rooms 8 private rooms each with a king-size bed, plus 3 double rooms). Beds for all rooms are king-sized; all rooms included airconditioning, heating, and room safes.
- Wi-Fi access, Satellite telephone & satellite TV.
- A gourmet dining experience each day, with Argentina's famed beef and fine wines, traditional Asados, fresh baked breads, and delicious desserts.
- Maid and laundry service.

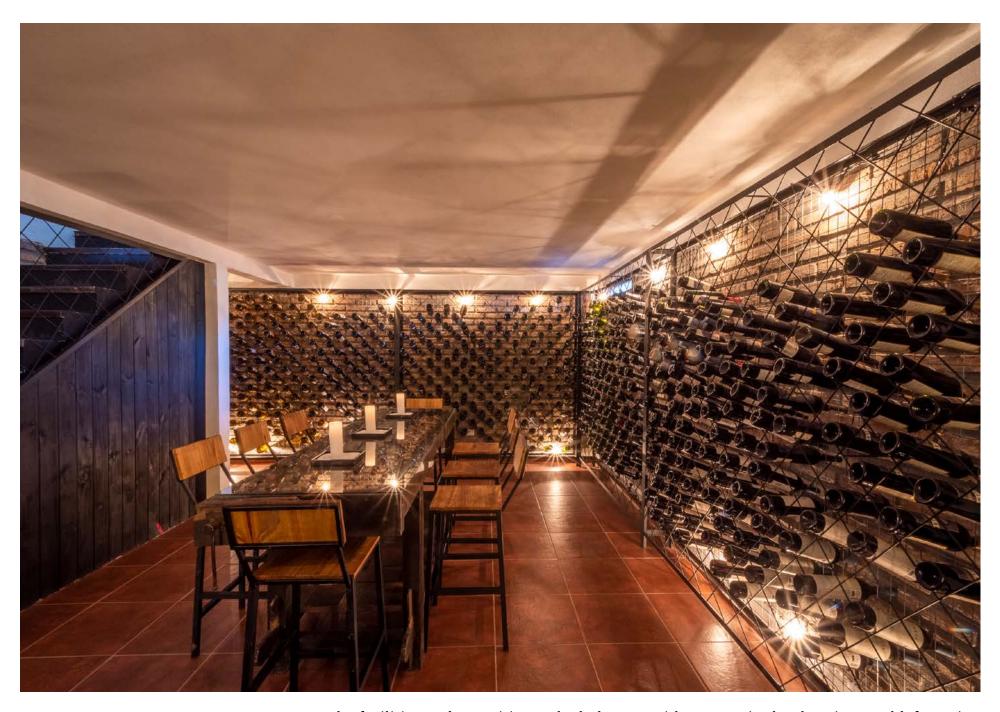


Lunches are usually served at the lodge, where you will enjoy Argentina's wonderful beef and superb wines.

- Masseuse.
- 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.
- Professional, experienced hunting guides and field assistants.
- Comfortable Mercedes Benz Vans.
- 4500-foot grass landing strip for charter flights.



Santiago del Estero offers 11 en-suite rooms, some single and some double; all are furnished with king-size beds, air-conditioning, heating, and room safes.



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## THE HUNTING

#### **DOVE SHOOTING**

It is difficult to describe volume dove shooting to those that have not done it—the excitement and constant action makes it compelling like no other venue in sport. And here in Santiago del Estero we have high volume shooting as it was in the good old days. Imagine a semi–tropical plain, with trees of mixed heights and field edges and fence lines that would recall the best dove and quail habitat of the old south.

You'll take a position near some flyway or on an obstacle that forces the doves to move higher or around it, and enjoy shooting many have only dreamed of. All day you will be assisted by able bird boys who will load your guns and replenish your ammo, provide drinks and good help-anything and everything to make your day enjoyable.





Santiago del Estero as a province is very unique in terms of hunting rights. The province is divided into zones and then zones are allocated to outfitters. Santiago del Estero Lodge has been allocated with a large and very productive hunting zone, providing absolute exclusivity over a huge expanse of land. This not only lets us manage our own pressure without outside influence, it also allows us the possibility to actively manage our resource by rotating different flyways and completely minimizing hunting pressure.

#### **PIGEON HUNTING**

Not only dove shooting is good, but we also encounter a phenomenal population of wild pigeons. The access to water through the Río Dulce river and its marshes combined by the food and acres and acres of trees and scrub makes this environment perfect for the development of wild pigeons.

## DAILY ITINERARY

#### **DOVE SHOOTING**

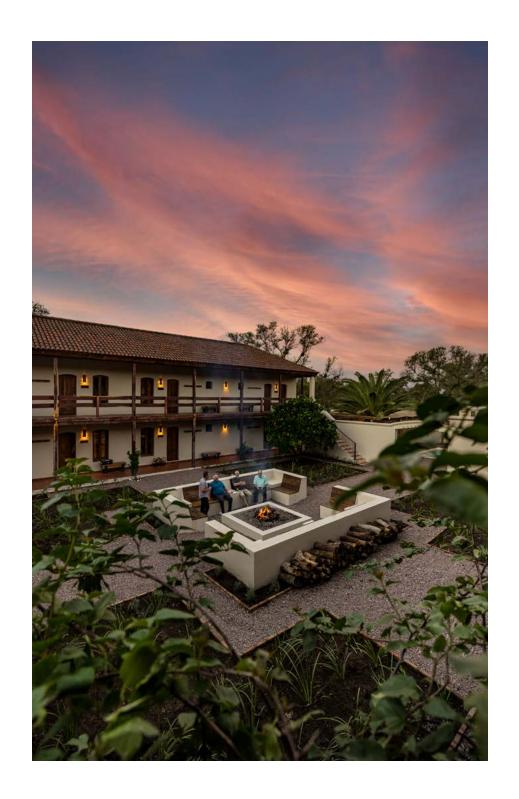
Wakeup call is approx. an hour before departure. Breakfast is served shortly thereafter, with everything from waffles to Eggs Benedict. Hunters usually depart around 8:30 - 9:00am. Drives vary depending on season, but generally average around 15-30 minutes.

The morning shoot begins upon arrival at the field. Depending on the time of the year, you will shoot until noon each day, then return to the lodge for an incredible asado lunch, and siesta.

The afternoon shooting begins at around 3.30 to 4:30pm, and continues until around 6:00 to 7:30pm, after which you will return to the lodge, where you will be met with cocktails & appetizers, followed by a delicious dinner and time to relax.

#### **PIGEON HUNTING**

Daily itinerary is the same, but we normally go out earlier and we spend the entire day in the field. For the Pigeon shots we normally drive a little bit more, ranging from 10 to 60 minutes. You will shoot until noon each day, then enjoy an incredible asado lunch, shaded by a comfortable tent or unique hand-made shelter in the field. We normally return back to the lodge earlier in the afternoon.





On pigeon hunts, you'll spend the entire day in the field. While you're shooting, we'll ready tents and Asado for a delicious, shady meal.



## RATES 2023-24

**DOVE SHOOTING:** Season runs all year round | **PIGEON HUNTING:** April 15th - October 15th

- **HUNTER:** \$850 per night
- PIGEON SESSION: \$200 per hunt (4 guests min.)
- SPECIAL PRICE FOR PRIVATE TEAMS (DOVE SHOOTING): \$8,950 per night (up to 14 guests)
- NON HUNTER: \$450 per night
- **GUN RENTAL:** \$115 per person per day
- LICENSES: \$70 per person per day
- SHELLS: \$22 per box approx. \*
- \* Shotgun shell prices are subject to change without notice.

Prices are in USD

#### INCLUDED

Lodging based on SGL room (subject to availability), All meals & beverages (open bar); Ground transportation to/from Santiago del Estero Airport (one transfer p/way p/group); Professional guide service & field assistants; Payment to Land-owners for hunting rights.

#### NOT INCLUDED

Airfares; Hunting Licenses; Gun entry permits, gun rental; shells; gratuities for guides & staff; masseuse & laundry service; international phone calls; tours, shopping trips, etc., any items of a strictly personal nature, baggage overweight charges, personal & baggage insurance, cost of itinerary modifications requested by the passanger.

#### **PAYMENT TERMS**

Reservations are confirmed with a 50% deposit. All deposits & payments are 100% non-refundable under any circumstances. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. At this point, participants are responsible for total land costs and no refunds will be made for unused land transportation, accommodations, or meals.



### INTERESTED IN VARIETY?

David Denies Bird Hunting, Red Stag Patagonia and Nervous Waters Fly Fishing are all proud members of **The Kautapen Group** - a single team of dedicated professionals focused on maintaining the highest standard of service and elevating your sporting experiences.



**David Denies Bird Hunting** comprises 12 world class bird hunting lodges across **Argentina** & **Uruguay**. From dove shooting in the hills surrounding Córdoba, to the wetlands of Buenos Aires province, to the rolling pastures of Uruguay, we bring you to the ultimate wingshooting paradise, with an impeccable style and attention to detail, and dependability outfitting that is simply not found elsewhere.



**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.



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.

## SEASONS BY SPECIES

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