

David Denies
BIRD HUNTING

Home to hunters who expect perfection

TUCUMÁN LODGE

TUCUMÁN, ARGENTINA





Tucumán Lodge features comfortable shared rooms, fine service and superb logistics, right in the heart of Tucumán's high volume dove hunting.



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Short drives, endless doves

Tucumán is the newest frontier in dove hunting in Argentina, with what appears to be virtually endless shooting. Tucumán Lodge encompasses over 120.000 acres, and by maintaining modern management techniques, we've become the only outfitters in the area that offer superb hunting all year long.

In addition- we shoot right on the lodge property, so once you get here, drives are short. Most days, just 25 minutes! Besides the terrific shooting, the main attraction of Tucumán Lodge is privacy for small parties, something rarely found elsewhere in dove shooting. Groups of eight or more can book the entire lodge (up to 12).

WHY CHOOSE TUCUMÁN LODGE?

- Operated by David Denies, the pioneer of dove shooting since 1984, Tucumán Lodge offers the very best high-volume dove shooting in the region.
- With less than a two-hour ride from Tucumán Airport (TUC), or just 45 minutes from the Río Hondo airport (RHD); most flights will have you arriving in the morning, and swinging a shotgun just after lunch.
- The shortest dove shooting drives you'll find anyplace south of Texas. The only lodging with an average of a 30-minute drive to the dove shooting locations.
- Most days you will return to the lodge for lunch and siesta. However many shooters wish to stay a full day in the field and that is a possibility as well, with a tented lunch and naps in the cool shade. As you wish...
- Large dove roosts within the property.
- Only self-sufficient game management program in the industry: we plant crops exclusively for doves, which provide constant and unlimited amounts of food for the birds.
- More than 120,000 acres of land means that you will shoot a challenging mix of scenarios, so you can enjoy variety and quality hunting year-round
- Ideal for small groups - families, close friends, business groups.
- Memorable service: from welcome drinks every day and cool towels in the field to turn down service at night, we continue to redefine service in the sporting realm.
- Luxurious living, à la carte menu, open bar with imported spirits, and the best Argentine wines.



Doves in numbers you have only imagined – endless doves on display every single day show what a massive population of doves looks like.



LOCATION

Tucumán Lodge is located in the province of the same name, in northern Argentina, 88 miles (143 km) south of the Tucumán Airport (TUC); or 50 miles (80km) southwest of the Termas de Río Hondo (RHD) Airport. The driving time from Tucumán Airport to the lodge is 1 hr. and 45 minutes by paved road or 1 hour from Río Hondo Airport.

Nicknamed “The Garden of the Republic”, the province of Tucumán is one of the most productive agricultural areas in the country. In addition, its temperate weather and excellent roost conditions create a perfect storm to produce an overwhelming dove population that grows constantly, creating the best dove shooting in the world.



GETTING THERE

To get to Tucumán Lodge there are daily direct flights from many U.S. or European cities to Buenos Aires (Ezeiza Intl. Airport – EZE). From EZE hunters will need to make a connection to TUC or RHD airport (both airports are 2 hr. flight) or transfer to the Domestic airport Jorge Newbery – AEP (40’ to 1 hr. drive), and connect there to TUC or RHD. Once at the lodge, you are conveniently close to terrific dove fields with drives on average no more than 30 minutes to the shooting fields.



FACILITIES AND SERVICES

In addition to the fast-paced shooting, the distant views of the Cocha Mountains and the sights and sounds of being on a working ranch add a particular charm to your stay. Surrounded by fields of shooting excellence, the colonial-style lodge has been virtually reborn with a sleek and stylish remodel that makes it highly comfortable and functional, yet pays homage to ranch life in the region. The lodge atmosphere is very warm with the idea of making you feel quite at home. It all combines to make Tucumán Lodge a must-see for serious dove shooters looking to make a significant dent in Argentina's prolific doves.



Pigeon Ragú with white polenta.



Panna Cotta dessert.

- Capacity: 12 hunters.
- Accommodations: 6 double rooms with queen size beds and en-suite bathrooms.
- Open bar with a special selection of the best wines.
- A gourmet dining experience each day, with delicious menu options including local Argentinian beef as well as wild game and fine wines, locally sourced fruits and vegetables, traditional Asado, and more.
- Comfortable Fire Pit with sitting area.
- Wi-Fi Internet access, Satellite telephone, and satellite TV.
- Masseuse, Maid and laundry service.
- Professional hunting guides.
- Gun rental, with a selection of fine over and under and semiautomatic shotguns, from Beretta, Benelli, and Browning.
- Gift shop offers local artwork and crafts, logo wear, and accessories.



With 6 beautifully appointed guest rooms, all with en suite bathrooms, the lodge comfortably hosts up to 12 guests and is the perfect venue for small parties and families.



THE HUNTING

There are roughly twenty-five shooting positions that are just a short drive away through the region's rich farmland. The overwhelming number of birds flying over our terrain throughout the day guarantees great opportunities for non-stop shooting, suitable for all skill levels. Beginners have an unparalleled opportunity to improve their shooting skills by targeting low-flying doves, while more experienced shooters will find higher, faster targets a challenge. And like elsewhere in Argentina where doves are abundant, there is no bag limit.

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In addition to the acreage surrounding the lodge, we also have the exclusive rights to many of the most revered dove hunting properties in the province, in the highlands and plains areas. The options available, depending on the time of year:

- Shot migration routes: a point between the resting area and the feeding field.
- Fields: crops, such as soybeans, corn or sorghum (especially from March to May).
- Food Batches: Birds congregate to harvest large food batches. They are excellent hunting options at certain times of the year (March to July).
- Waterholes: These are excellent options to photograph, especially in summer (October to April).

In the field, you will be assigned a field assistant who will provide you with shells and refreshments, direct you to your shooting stand and serve as a loader should you wish. Assistants are equipped with radios for easy and fast communication and can quickly solve any small problem that might arise. You will be visited by your field guide many times who will help you with any need, even giving you some tips on how to shoot particular shots if desired.



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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. Then it is off to the vehicles for the shooting day.

You will shoot until noon each day, then return to the lodge for an incredible asado lunch, where you will enjoy Argentina's wonderful beef and superb wines. After lunch, and a short siesta, hunters will again begin their afternoon hunt around 3 to 4pm.

Depending on the time of the year, evening hunts last until 6:00 to 7:30pm, after which you will return to the lodge, where you will be met with cocktails and appetizers, followed by a delicious dinner and time to relax.



The inviting plunge pool, and adjacent fire pit in the main courtyard often become the center of lodge life once the hunting day is complete, offering a relaxing respite from the fast paced days in the dove fields.



RATES 2024-25

Season runs all year round

- **HUNTER:** \$850 per night
 - **NON HUNTER:** \$350 per night
 - **GUN RENTAL:** \$125 per person per day approx
 - **LICENSES:** \$75 per person per day
 - **SHELLS:** \$23,50 per box approx. *
 - National 12 gauge shells
 - National 28 gauge shells
 - Imported 20 gauge shells
- * Shotgun shell prices are subject to change without notice.
- **INCLUDED**
Lodging based on shared room; All meals, wines, beer, and local spirits (open bar); Professional guide service and field assistants; Payment to Land-owners for hunting rights; Ground transportation to/from Tucumán Airport (one transfer p/way per group).
 - **NOT INCLUDED**
Airlines; Hunting Licenses; Gun entry permits; Gun rental & shells; Gratuities for guides and house staff; Masseuse; Laundry service; International phone calls, tours, shopping trips, etc.; any items of a strictly personal nature, baggage overweight charges, personal and 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?

Nervous Waters Fly Fishing, David Denies Bird Hunting, and Red Stag Patagonia 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.



If fly fishing is your passion—consider the Nervous Waters family of lodges. **Nervous Waters** is the leader in international Fly Fishing destinations, with 11 special lodges spread out across **Argentina, Chile, Mexico** and the **Bahamas**. We offer a plethora of coveted gamefish including bones, permit, tarpon & snook, sea-run and resident brown trout, rainbow trout, and golden dorado, pacu, and pira pita.



David Denies Bird Hunting comprises 13 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 5 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 SPECIES

ARGENTINA, CHILE & URUGUAY

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SEA-RUN BROWN TROUT	• •	• •	• •									•
DORADO	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •
BROWN & RAINBOW TROUT	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •						• •	• •
DOVES	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •
DUCKS					• •	• •	• •	• •	•			
PERDÍZ					• •	• •	• •					
PIGEON				•	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•		
WILD BLACK BUCK					• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•
AXIS DEER					• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•
RED STAG			• •	• •	• •	•						
FALLOW DEER			• •	• •	• •	•						
WILD BOAR					• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•

BAHAMAS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
BONEFISH	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•			• •	• •	• •

MEXICO

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
PERMIT		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
TARPON			• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •		

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