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HUNT FOR TAHR, RED STAG, WAPITI, CHAMOIS, FALLOW DEER IN NEW ZEALAND

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The best of free-range Tahr hunting, as well as the opportunity to hunt the roaring Red Stag, the huge Bull Elk, Fallow buck, the nimble Chamois, Wild Boar, Feral Goats and Arapawa Rams. Take in the North Island as well, and you can go Sika Deer, Rusa Deer, and Sambar Deer hunting too. This operation is 100% New Zealand owned and operated and they believe that it is important to deliver the true New Zealand hospitality, local expertise and genuine warmth you expect. Their objective is simple - to provide you with the best possible New Zealand hunting experience, and do it better than anyone else. They have a track record of over 20 seasons, so join them for the hunt of a lifetime down under!



This outfitter offers only the very best hunting on private properties, where outstanding trophies are regularly taken. Unlike some outfitters, they don't just hunt one property, limiting the client's chance of taking the largest trophies. They have available to the hunters their very own private properties, more than any other Outfitter in New Zealand. This variety is important because the different species of game animals require different climate and terrain to grow the largest trophies. All trophies are eligible for the SCI record book. Each year they consistently take a number of red stags and wapiti (Elk) bulls that score over 400 SCI.

HUNT THE TAHR

The Himalayan Tahr epitomizes the best of New Zealand hunting. A magnificent animal, the Tahr thrives in a rugged environment and is always challenging to hunt. They pride themselves on offering the best of free-range Tahr hunting. And one thing is certain - a successful Tahr hunt is definitely the experience of a lifetime.

Originally from the Himalayan Mountains of Asia, these magnificent mountain goats were liberated in New Zealand's Southern Alps in 1904. Although both the bulls and nannies have horns, those of the bulls are much longer and heavier. However it is not just the horns that make a fine trophy - the lion-like mane on the bull is every bit as important as good horn length.

The Tahr is the perfect extreme mountain animal with only the Rocky

Mountain goat challenging him as the 'King of the Mountain'. The Tahr bounds down almost vertical rock bluffs, their hooves barely touching the rock, while we only can stand and watch in awe. To see a mature bull in full rut, standing on the white snow with his flared name blowing in the wind, is one of the most memorable alpine hunting experiences. The bulls exist either solo or in small bachelor groups, but at the onset of the rut in early May they join the female groups. These animals can be tough to put down. You



will hunt the eastern side of the Southern Alps, where it is all ranch country - ranging from rolling hills to steep mountain country at the back of the properties. A Tahr hunt, while being quite physical, is achievable by most people. We have successfully guided clients as young as nine years of age to secure the trophy of a lifetime.

It is recognized that this outfitter in New Zealand has the finest foot hunting for trophy bull Tahr in New Zealand, all Tahr hunting is conducted on private land, free from the constant pressure of resident hunters, meat recovery and helicopter-hunting on all public land. This ensures you the best alpine hunting experience possible, with plenty of time to look over many bulls in order to harvest that dream trophy. Don't be fooled by the "Helicopter assisted" hype that some may promote. It is completely unnecessary to have to use a helicopter to hunt Tahr. Also, this outfitter has taken more trophy bull Tahr with the bow than any other outfitter in New Zealand. In the SCI Bow Hunting Record Book, the outfitter holds 9 of the top 10 placing for bull Tahr. It is possible to see in excess of 100 Tahr a day - with many trophy bulls amongst them.

Season	Tahr Bull Size	Rifle Recommended
Year Round	Up to 300 pounds	7 mm mags, or 300 win mags to the .338

HUNT RED STAG



Native to Europe and a close relative of the Rocky Mountain elk, Red Deer were first introduced to New Zealand in 1851. With our mild climate, the lack of any predators, plus widespread releases, they soon established throughout the North and South Islands. The primal roar of the red stag is enough to excite even the most experienced trophy hunter! Of all the deer species found in New Zealand, Red Deer are the most common; and almost always the most sought after quarry of the hundreds of overseas hunters who regularly visit our shores. This outfitter offer the finest free-range and estate trophy hunting for Red Stag in New Zealand. They hunt the South Islands, on their own large private sheep and cattle properties, where rolling hill country is interspersed with clear mountain streams and areas of native forest. Every year we take trophy stags from about 300 SCI to 450 SCI. In good growing years the largest stags will exceed 500 SCI.

Season	Best time-Rut	Size	Rifle Recommended
Late February thru end of August	March and April	About the size of a Mule Deer	.270 to the .300 magnums



HUNT WAPITI/ELK IN NEW ZEALAND



It was in 1905 that the only liberation of North American Elk took place, in the inhospitable Fiordland National Park in the south western corner of the South Island. The area comprises steep glaciated valleys clad in dense rain forests, surrounded by towering bluffs and snow-capped mountains. Fiordland is subject to a rainfall levels exceeding 300 inches per annum. The Elk adapted readily to their new environment and in the early years grew antlers approaching the best that their North American forebears have produced. However, the herd expansion was halted by the topography and the fast encroaching Red Deer herds - with which they interbred. This outfitter hunts elk on several of their properties. Every year they take some exceptional bulls, with both rifle and bow in the 300-400+SCI range. Experience the finest elk hunting in the South Pacific with this outfitter.

Season	Best Time
Middle of February thru August	March thru April



HUNT CHAMOIS IN NEW ZEALAND

Native to central and southern Europe, the chamois is one of the most graceful game animals found in New Zealand. Introduced in 1907, chamois are now found throughout the mountain ranges of the South Island. As a member of the antelope family, the Chamois has exceptional eyesight and the ability to run effortlessly in the roughest terrain. The bucks are usually solitary animals although they are sometimes found in small bachelor groups. With the onset of the rut in April they join the female family groups for about one month. During the mating season the older bucks become quite aggressive, and intolerant of the younger males, driving them off by emitting a whistle sound as a warning. From April through to August the capes are long and black in color with a silver strip along the spine. Both bucks and does have horns, but those of the female are normally thinner. Chamois are a small nimble animal and don't require a large caliber, but the rifle should be flat shooting with good optics. We hunt the chamois on foot using the spot and stalk method of hunting. Access is by 4x4 vehicles and it's possible to encounter chamois while hunting for Tahr. Chamois prefer the roughest country and hunters should have excellent fitness to hunt chamois on foot.



Season	Best Time
Year Round	April through August

HUNT FALLOW BUCK IN NEW ZEALAND

Originally from Europe, the first Fallow Deer were introduced into New Zealand in 1864. There were 26 different liberations and now they are the second most wide spread deer in New Zealand. Despite its small size, the Fallow buck is very aggressive, especially during the 'rut', when vicious and often fatal fights occur between bucks. Fallow deer in New Zealand exhibit three distinct color phases: the most common being black or chocolate brown (melanistic), then the brown and spotted coat (menil), and also the white fallow. This outfitter takes several of each color phase every year. Only males have antlers. The antlers differ from Red Deer and are more like the Moose, round near the bases and palmated out towards the ends. During the rut, the bucks are very vocal, making a 'grunt' or 'croak' noise, as they issue their challenges.



This outfitter offers both free-range and estate hunts for Fallow buck, on large private sheep and cattle properties that feature rolling hill country interspersed with areas of native forest and scrub. Over the past seven years, the size of the fallow deer being taken by his clients has risen quite remarkably and it's becoming common to get bucks scoring greater than 230 SCI. Typically he takes between 40-50 bucks a year, and after the red stag they are the most favored deer species. He hunts on three properties for fallow and they are all within a short drive of one another.

Season	Rut
March thru September	April thru May

HUNT SIKA DEER, SAMBAR DEER AND RUSA DEER IN NEW ZEALAND



These small but aggressive deer are very vocal, especially during the rut, which takes place in April and May. A trip to the North Island will enable you to include Sika, Rusa and Sambar Deer. These three deer species are all of Asian origin, preferring the more temperate conditions of the northern island of New Zealand.

This outfitter can offer some of the world's greatest Sika hunting at New Zealand's home of Sika, as they have access to the exclusive Poronui property in the North Island of New Zealand. Although originally from Asia, Sika were first released in New Zealand from Woburn Abbey Park in England in 1905 onto Poronui. Sika can be hunted from late February until September. Local hunters prize the sika stag because it is alert and elusive, and exciting to hunt. Antlers are generally 4x4 and make a very attractive trophy.

After wapiti (elk), Sambar are the second largest deer in New Zealand. They are extremely cunning and can live very close to human habitation. It is common for a stag to lie in thick brush, and let a hunter walk right by; moving off once the danger lessens.

Rusa Deer typically carry a 3x3 antler structure. They are semi nocturnal and prefer to live in dense brush, venturing onto crops and pasture after sunset. Stags taken early will tend to be still in velvet. Their rut is during July and August, when they make a roaring sound.

Sitka Season	Sambar Season	Rusa Season
February thru September	April thru October	April thru end of year

Accommodations: The great hunting provided by this outfitter is matched by superb lodgings. Two independent lodges at Sherwood Downs and Stew Point are in close proximity to the best of South Island hunting. You can hunt hard each day, knowing you will return the next day reinvigorated after great food and a comfortable night's sleep. They specialize in husband and wife teams and use only the best accommodation where you can enjoy first class meals and genuine New Zealand hospitality.



Mid-March to mid-August is the prime hunting time in New Zealand as it coincides with the New Zealand fall (March-May) and winter (June to August). However, because the Asian deer species Sika, Sambar and Rusa thrive in New Zealand, this outfitter can offer hunting for hard antlered deer nearly all year-round.

TROPHY FEES

Red Stag

300-319 SCI	\$3,500
320-339 SCI	\$4,500
340-359 SCI	\$7,000
360-379 SCI	\$10,000
380-399 SCI	\$14,000
400-419 SCI	\$19,000
420-439 SCI	\$25,000
440 +	P.O.A.

Wapiti/Elk

300-319 SCI	\$3,500
320-339 SCI	\$4,500
340-359 SCI	\$7,000
360-379 SCI	\$10,000
380-399 SCI	\$14,000
400-419 SCI	\$19,000
420-439 SCI	\$25,000
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Other Species

Bull Tahr	\$4,500
Chamois Buck	\$4,500
Fallow Buck	\$3,350
Arapawa Ram	\$950
Ferel Goat	\$850
Sika Stag	\$6,000
Rusa Stag	\$6,500
Sambar Stag	\$8,500
Whitetail Buck	\$6,500
Wild Boar	\$1,200

PRICING

Daily Rate per person:

1 hunter x 1 guide	\$550 per day
2 hunters x 1 guide	\$375 per day/each
Non-hunter	\$250/day/ each

Daily Rate Includes: Pick-up from Christchurch or Timaru Airports and return; all accommodations, meals and beverages (wine and beer) during the hunt; use of firearms; field preparation of the trophies and transportation of trophies to the expediter in Christchurch; New Zealand Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Price Excludes: rifle permits, hunting license and tags, International airfare, airport fees, insurance, gratuities, extra hunting days (if available), extra trophy charges (if available), trophy shipment, taxidermy fees, hotel accommodation and food before and after the hunt, hotel extras, personal expenses, non-hunter, domestic air fare for non-hunter, excess baggage, special food, cost of medications, immunizations, hospitalizations and services of doctors, charges for evacuation or rescue by ambulance, helicopter or airplane, and any other service or product that is not agreed or mentioned in this document.

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENTS: Per person in U.S. Dollars only, confirmation will be upon receipt of a 50% deposit with balance in cash due upon arrival in camp. You must also read, understand and accept by signing the [Terms and Conditions](#), [Release of Liability](#) and the [Hunting Contract](#) . All clients must comply with the U.S. Department of the Interior/Fish and Wildlife Services laws, requirements and conditions.

SPECIALS

<u>King of the Alpine World</u>	\$5,950
Free-Range Bull Tar 4 nights' accommodations	
<u>Magnificent Red Stag</u>	\$5,950
Silver Medal Red Stag (300-340 SCI) Includes 4 nights' accommodations	
<u>Favored Combo</u>	\$9,450
Silver Medal Red Stag (300-340 SCI) Bull Tahr Includes 5 nights' accommodations	
<u>Trifecta</u>	\$12,450
Red Stag (300-340 SCI) Fallow buck Bull Tahr Includes 5 nights' accommodations	
<u>Four of the Best</u>	\$17,450
Red Stag (300-340 SCI) Fallow buck, Chamois and Bull Tahr Includes 7 nights' accommodations	





You need a permit to bring firearms into New Zealand, including for hunting. You can apply online for an import permit at the same time as you apply for a visitor's firearms license. Military-style semi-automatic assault rifles are not allowed. If you arrive with firearms not on the approved firearms list, Police may keep them until you leave the country.

Apply online -
<https://forms.police.govt.nz/firearms/visitors-application>

When you arrive in New Zealand you must declare all firearms to New Zealand Customs officials. They will refer you to New Zealand Police, who will:

- check your passport
- collect the \$25.00 license application fee
- decide if you should receive a visitors firearms license and import permit and issue them if necessary

There are daily direct flights that leave Los Angeles and San Francisco for Auckland, which is your point of entry to New Zealand. Auckland is also the port where you will clear customs. From there you will fly to Christchurch. We suggest you arrive 1-2 days prior to your hunt commencing, so you can adjust to the climate and get over any jet lag you may have.



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