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## South Africa

Sandgrouse - Dove - Waterfowl - Guineafowl - Francoline

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Welcome to some of the finest bird shooting in Southern Africa. On your safari you will experience truly world-class bird shooting that may include walked-up Greywing Francolin (Partridge), Spurfowl over well-trained English pointers as well as flighted wild Duck and Geese. And, of course, no bird shooting trip to South Africa would be complete without some hot-barreled Dove and Rock Pigeon shooting.

#### 8 DAY BIRD SHOOTING & PLAINSGAME HUNTING SAFARI SA 2022

Price per gun                      **USD 6.750**  
Non-hunting guest                **USD 3.250**

**The price includes:** The full-time service of a licensed Professional Hunter and complete field and lodge staff and services - Full board and lodging of three meals a day including laundry - All ground transport during the safari with fully kitted hunting vehicles - All birds shot and cleaning of birds - South African wine, beer and spirits, within reason - Gun dogs, decoys, bird boys and blinds - Hunting License.

**The price does not include:** \*Charter (JHB - Kalahari – Bloemfontein – JHB) - Plains Game Trophy Fees (see att. price list) - Value Added Tax (VAT) @ 15% on any costs – Ammunition @ 15 US\$ / box - Hire of rifles and shotguns @ 50 US\$ / day - Specially requested alcohol – Gratuities.

\* The charter is not included into the package and will be calculated when we know the final number of guests in 2022. The price of the entire charter for 8 guns has been 12.500 US\$ in 2021.

#### Schedule:

**1. Day** - In the morning, Charter from JHB to the Kalahari Dessert at the border to Botswana – Check in to the Barrange Lodge – Hunting in the afternoon – sundowners – dinner.

**Day 2 & 3** - Full English breakfast +- 6.30 followed by a short drive to water holes in the Kalahari Desert. In the field by 8.00 to 8.30. Namaqua Sandgrouse shooting at the waterholes. Return to the lodge for early lunch. There after plains game hunting if wanted until late. You can also shoot doves at the waterholes just before last light. After a couple of sundowners at the waterhole, return to Lodge for dinner.

**4. Day** – Breakfast, shoot Sandgrouse as per previous day in the morning – maybe some more plains game hunting. Late lunch and then transfer by charter to Bloemfontein in the heart of South Africa. Enjoy a well-deserved drink a good meal and rest.

**Day 5 & 6** - Early breakfast, travel to the ripe sunflower fields for some of the finest hot barrel Rock Pigeon shooting you can get. Lunch in the field. Shoot the afternoon until flight ends.

Changing location - about 2-3 hours drive

**Day 7 & 8** - Depending on what the group is interested in we can even shoot Ducks & Geese in the morning and evening – during the day Pidgeon OR Walked-Up shooting on Greywing Francolin over English pointers until afternoon with Duck shooting in the evening OR Driven Guineafowl.

**9. Day** ( 15th of June ) – Shooting Waterfowl in the morning – charter from Bloemfontein to JHB.

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### **The Birdshooting:**

**Sandgrouse Shooting** - After a two-hour charter flight from Johannesburg, you will start your safari in the heart of the Kalahari Desert. This is perhaps the most isolated corner of South Africa and home to some of the largest numbers of Sandgrouse found anywhere. Namaqua and Burchell's fly to the water holes in the mornings and Double Banded in the evenings. Turtle Doves and Laughing Doves also occur here and can be shot over the same waterholes in the afternoons. During the day this is a perfect place for some outstanding Plains-game hunting.

**Rock Pigeons and Doves** - Rock Pigeons and Doves are normally shot in the mornings and afternoons as they come in, to feed on harvested corn and sunflower fields. Rock pigeons are rated by world shooters as one of the most sporting birds on the planet and their ability to change direction in mid-flight makes them an extremely worthy quarry.

**Walked up Greywing Francolin** - The Greywing Francolin or Partridge is considered by many to be one of the finest upland gamebirds and is often referred in the same sentence as 'Scottish Red Grouse' in terms of the sport they provide. A lot of hard walking and well-trained English Pointers are required to shoot Greywing and can sometimes be in windy and cold conditions, so a state of good fitness, good health and a pair of good boots is a pre-requisite.

**Geese & Ducks** - South Africa boasts the largest Goose in the world, the Spurwing, with ganders often exceeding the 20lb mark, making it a remarkable bird to shoot. Together with the cunning smaller Egyptian Goose, they are shot out of dry land pit blinds or standing blinds, over decoys, either first thing in the morning or last thing in the evening. Numerous Duck and Teal species are shot from grass blinds at the edge of ponds and marshes. While on some occasions flighted Duck are shot in wetlands, our main method is to shoot them over decoys.

**Driven Guineafowl** - Guineafowl are often cursed and admired in the same breath by those who shoot them. Extremely wary, a flock of guineas prefer to run before flying when disturbed. But when they do take flight and are driven over the waiting guns, the shooting is spectacular, as well as fast and furious to say the least. If the flock can be fragmented and mixed with Francolin and Spurfowl, the birds tend to come out in small groups and offer extended shooting over the guns.

### **The Lodges:**

Depending of the area we are using different private Lodges or Hotels. They are all renowned for their warm hospitality, the exceptional service and gourmet cuisine and the spacious and luxurious accommodation. After a solid day's shooting, the Lodges can be a welcome sight for the weary and cold hunter, where fond memories of the day's shooting can be re-lived around the large stone fireplace in the entertainment room. Hosting, fine wine and dining is the order of the day.

### **Terms & Conditions:**

We need a minimum of 4 guns for this special trip. At the time of booking, a 50% deposit is required to confirm dates. Balance shall be paid 60 days before the shooting or upon arrival, if previously agreed.

We are quite flexible in the schedule and can easily adapt any changes you might want!

Contact us for an individual offer - looking forward to see you there!



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