



# *Passion & Prey*

## *European Hunting Services*

### **Moose, Caribou, Black bear hunting in Newfoundland**

#### **Highlights**

I call Newfoundland as a second home, as I spend most of the year in "The Rock" as we name the island of Newfoundland. This less known Canadian province is an ultimate hunting-fishing- outdoor destination, home of the world's densest Moose population and it is the only place where one can hunt for the majestic Woodland Caribou.

The island also boasts impressive Black Bear trophies, and very famous about the Atlantic Ocean's marine wildlife. About a million of tourists coming yearly for hiking the most beautiful Trails, to see the Seabirds colonies, for watching Whales and Icebergs, take Ecotours around natural reserves, or feast on the freshest Seafood one can imagine.

We offer spring Black Bear hunting- Salmon and Trout fishing trips, and fall Moose / Woodland caribou and Bear hunts. Road access or Fly-in camps are waiting for the guests, serving hunters with all physical conditions and budgets.

We serve non-trophy hunters too, as meat processing, packing and shipping is logistically doable to US.

Our well-located camps and knowledgeable local guides keep our success rates above 85% on moose and close to 100% on caribou.



**Besides hunting**, there are countless other outdoor activities the west coast has to offer: fishing on the Humber River, Whale / Iceberg watching boat tours, or hiking in the stunning Gros Morne National park, anything is in reachable distance from Deer lake or Corner Brook. On request we can arrange private Eco-tours for visiting local attractions nearby.

The island's vibrant capital city, St John's is laying on the eastern corner of Newfoundland, offering cultural, historical and culinary excellences. Please ask for details for tailor-made adventures around the island.



## Hunting

The moose was first introduced to the island of Newfoundland in the early 1900's, and the population's density is now the highest in the world. Although our hunting concessions cover a huge territories of stunning Newfoundland topography, most game are taken within a mile or two of camps. Our hunters can expect to see several animals during a day of spot and stalk hunting. During the rut season the males are really responsive for calling, so bow and arrow hunting is a realistic option to harvest closely called bulls.

## Hunting Season:

The season starts mid-September, usually the last week of September and first week of October when the moose are in the peak rut. We hunt all way October, or even first half of November, but as the season goes on, the weather turns unpredictable and nasty.

Our hunts take 5 or 6 days, Monday to Saturday usually, as hunting is not allowed on Sundays until the late season.

Sundays are for camping in and out.

## Hunting Upgrades and Combinations

During the fall moose / caribou season there is a good chance to encounter black bear on the berry fields. Adding a hunting and trophy fee on bears would be a good opportunity to complete the Newfoundland Big Game Slam.



## **Hunting methods:**

We hunt for moose and caribou spot and stalk method. In most of our trophy camps we hunt on foot, a day walking radius from the camps and use local helicopter companies for carrying the meat out from the woods. Some of our remote camps equipped with argos, thus the hunters can cover bigger land searching for trophy animal.

In road access camps we use ATWs on trails and logging roads and walk in the moose frequented areas, like cutovers and other feeding grounds. The guides have a list of tactics and tricks to call the bulls out from the woods within a shooting distance.

Caribou prefer to live on higher barrens, avoiding the heavy timber woods. As they are moving constantly, it's a matter of patient to spot them during their daily route. Once the mating season started mid-October, they become even more active and visible as gathering in bigger herds and migrating towards the winter habitats.



Newfoundland is the best example for unpredictable weather and experience all the 4 seasons a day. The temperature is expected to be between 4-12 degrees Celsius in daytime during September and October, but high wind or extreme conditions are always can occur.

The walking on the hunting terrain is physically demanding, contains bogs, marshes, steep hills and lots of surface water, hunters should take extra caution on stepping in hidden mudholes and slippery rocks.

Hunters should be well prepared for unpredictable weather conditions and following the gear list's recommendations when packing.

## **Trophy Size:**

Even though the average Newfoundland moose trophy size is smaller than those in the Yukon or Alaska, Newfoundland hunts are still considered the best price and value on the market.

We call trophy moose around 40" antler spread in Newfoundland, however, there are several 50" range animal harvested every season from our remote camps.

Mature Woodland Caribou trophies are well characterized with long beams and lots of points, not rare to see Bone and Crockett category trophy stags on the barrens.



### **Accommodation:**

Based on camp accessibility and the hunters' preferences, there are various choices of comfort level we can offer. There are high-end lodges with 5 star service and fine dining. Basic main camps are equipped with double bedrooms, shower and common rooms, while the kitchen is built in or attached to the side building. Fly-in camps are simpler, usually a wooden cabin for max 4 hunters and 2 guides, equipped with shower and kitchenette. Spike camps are made for higher chance for trophy animal, while the comfort level is minimal.



### **Travel:**

As we hunt on the west coast of Newfoundland for big game species, Deer Lake airport is the best to meet our hunters through Toronto's international flight connections.

Our guests will overnight in Deer Lake or Corner Brook before flying in to our hunting camps, or will be picked up at the airport and drive to the road access camp locations.

After finishing the hunt, our visitors returning back to Deer Lake and stay overnight before leaving the province.





**Rates (2020):**

We hunt from road access and fly-in camps, offering different budget and comfort level options.

- Non-trophy moose hunt: starts from \$ 4.700
- Road access camp moose hunt: starts from \$ 5.800
- Fly-in camp moose hunting: starts from \$ 6.500
- Woodland Caribou hunt: starts from \$ 12.000
- Moose & Caribou Combo: starts from \$ 16.000
- Newfoundland Big Game Slam: starts from \$ 19.000
- Non-hunter companion: \$ 1.500-2.500
- Add on (stumble upon) Black Bear: \$ 500 hunting fee and \$ 800 harvest fee
- Spring or Fall Trophy Black Bear hunt: \$ 4.000
- Spring Cast & Blast (salmon / black bear combo): \$ 4.700

**Service package:**

- trophy fees, licenses, permits, tags
- lodging and full board meal during hunting days
- ground or aerial transportation to and from the camps
- guiding
- meat and trophy field care and transportation to taxidermy or butcher shop

**Extras (not included in the package):**

- travel costs to and from Deer Lake
- hotel costs before and after hunting
- meat processing
- taxidermy
- trophy shipping, customs

**General conditions:**

Wounding means killing, no refund available on wounded and lost animal.

Booking: 50% of the total estimated cost (non-refundable) deposit is due upon booking.

Remaining balance is payable up until 60 days prior the hunt.

Extras are payable in cash upon leaving the hunting area (if applicable).

Hunters should accept the actual hunting area's game management principles and follow the PH's instructions.

**We are for helping clients planning and guiding hunting trips, book your hunt with us for the majestic Newfoundland Moose, Woodland Caribou and Black Bear!**

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