

Brown Bear, Grizzly Bear, Dall Sheep, & Caribou





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To Brown Bear, Grizzly Bear, Dall Sheep, & Caribou Hunters:

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Also, We want to thank all past clients who trusted us and in the process

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Sincerely yours,



ALASKA offers unique hunting opportunities not found anywhere else IN THE WORLD.

Deltana Outfitters offers Alaskan Hunting Adventures trips for Brown Bear, Grizzly Bear, Dall Sheep, and Caribou. These hunts are conducted from several geographically different areas, utilizing one EXCLUSIVE Federal Concessions within National Wildlife Refuges in Alaska. In these areas you never compete with other guides and outfitters when you hunt — the only hunters you will see in these areas are our clients. This is a major benefit of hunting with Deltana Outfitters.

We run two base camps in Alaska. Each camp is a little different from the other due to location and infrastructure, but the basic methods and operations are the same. We understand that our clients are looking for TROPHY quality game, tight organization and a high level of service. If you enjoy a well-organized and professionally operated camp, Deltana Outfitters offers the best hunting experience in Alaska.

All of our hunts include transportation in the field, guides, trophy care, camp equipment, back packs, sleeping pads and meals. We supply everything except personal gear, firearms and ammunition. You are responsible for travel arrangements and the expense of your meat and trophy shipping, and licenses and tags, which we will have available in camp for your purchase.

Camp Locations

Our base camps are located in the Alaska wilderness, in the vast and varied areas from the Brooks Range all the way to Southwest Alaska. Utilizing these camps, Deltana Outfitters offers a wide variety of hunting opportunities.

Camp #1 is near the south end of the famed Alaska Peninsula in Game Management Unit (GMU) 9. This location is known as our "Brown Bear Camp".

Camp #2 is located in the pristine
Brooks Range and provides for the ultimate
in Dall Sheep and Caribou hunting.



BOOKING PROCEDURE

- 1. Choose your hunt and contact us at 907-750-4882 or 907-347-7204 or hunts@deltana.com. If space is available, we will reserve your hunt at that time.
- 2. Once reserved, we ask that you send a check for \$1000 of the hunt as a down payment.
- 3. Hunts scheduled more than 18 months out may be reserved with a \$2,500 partial payment. This partial payment will reserve the hunt until the final price is determined. Once prices are determined, you will be notified approximately 8 to 10 months prior to the hunt. At this time a payment schedule will be sent to you.
- 4. Down payments are a commitment to the hunt, both on the part of the outfitter and the hunter. They are not refundable or transferable unless you can provide another hunter to take your place on the hunt reserved. If we must find another client to fill the space reserved, the deposit will be lost.

TRAVEL

To assist in your travel planning, we provide you with information on recommended equipment, airlines, hotels and other details once your hunt is booked. In addition, most of this information is available on our website: www.deltana.com. As our camps are only accessible by aircraft, we use a Piper Super-Cub, the workhorse of Alaska Bush flying. The Cub is a small aircraft that is specially designed to work out of small airstrips. The aircraft carries the pilot, one passenger and a limited amount of gear. Please consider this as you pack.

CAMP INFORMATION

Our lodges are comfortable and well positioned. Base camps feature five sleeping quarters, a kitchen, dining room, bathroom with shower, storage facilities, and trophy and meat handling facilities. For safety, comfort and convenience, we operate two aircraft, two-way radios and satellite telephone service.

- 1. Camps are remote, but you will find them comfortable and <u>well-supplied with new equipment and an abundance of food, snacks and beverages.</u>

 Base camp accommodations vary with the area being hunted.
- 2. We are a vendor for the purchase of Alaska licenses and tags and we sell these tags at camp. There is no need to purchase tags in advance for species you may not have time to hunt. It's best to purchase tags after you arrive in camp. We will contact you before your hunt to make sure we have the tags available for the species you wish to hunt.
- 3. Camps are checked daily. Each camp is supplied with a satellite phone for safety and efficiency. Camps are re-supplied with food and equipment as needed. Transportation between camps is by Piper Super-Cubs ensuring that you have the maximum time for actual hunting. Hunting is conducted on foot from spike camps. Regulations are strictly followed and all hunting is fair chase. You can be proud of the trophy you take!
- 4. North Face tents used for your hunt are shown here. We purchase new North Face tents so you don't have to worry about cold air or water leaking into the tents. You will be issued a sleeping bag and Thermarest pad once you arrive at camp so you will not have to bring these items. We will put you in the best location for game that we know of at the time of your hunt. We are there to be sure you hunt where the game is and that you are never short on food or equipment.
- 5. Finally, please notify us in advance if you have special needs, so we can prepare properly. We pride ourselves on placing a great deal of effort into your hunt long before you leave home to make this the hunt of a lifetime.

RIFLE REQUIREMENTS

For sheep, caribou and grizzly, we recommend calibers no smaller than the .270 or .30-06, however the .300 and .338 Winchester Magnum (or their equivalent) are preferred if you're comfortable with them. We stress comfortable. It is far better that you shoot a standard caliber with confidence than a magnum that causes you to flinch. Magnums can hurt. For brown bear, the .375 H.H. is preferred. Ultimately, bring what you shoot well, as long as the minimum caliber is .375. Bring additional ammunition to check your rifle in camp. It's not uncommon for a scope to be jarred, or wood to swell in the course of your travels, which will require you to adjust your scope. Fiberglass stocks are highly recommended.

SHOOTING PRACTICE

Please, don't spend a lot of time shooting from the bench. The bench has but one purpose—to prove that the rifle can shoot. Once the rifle proves itself on the bench, you should dedicate yourself to learning to shoot it off-hand, prone, sitting and kneeling.

Most rifles are capable of acceptable accuracy, many hunters are not. The time you take to practice such shooting will be well rewarded, not only in greater success but in personal satisfaction. In the field, everything depends on your ability to shoot the rifle. Neither a bench nor reasonable facsimile thereof will be available on the mountain.

Everything is done to be sure you have an excellent rest, be it over a rock, pack or other convenient item. But such position has no similarity to a rifle bench, so practice shooting prone, using a rock or pack as a rest, while you are still at the range. It does make a difference. We unfortunately can't guarantee a close shot so we ask that you practice enough to be comfortable out to 400 yards for sheep and caribou and 150 yards for bear.

TROPHY HANDLING & TRANSPORT

All the necessary reporting and sealing of your trophies is handled by our office. You may wish to take your trophies with you, but you will find it more convenient and less expensive to have them shipped directly to your taxidermist. Since September 11, 2001, Alaska Airlines will no longer take trophies as baggage. Trophies must be shipped out air freight and can only leave the state if they are shipped by a "known shipper". We will freight your trophies from our camps to an expediter in Fairbanks, Alaska. The expediter will send them on to the destination of your choice. When handled in this manner this is certainly much less risk of the airlines damaging our losing a trophy in transit.



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ALASKA PENINSULA BROWN BEAR HUNTS

The Alaska Department of Fish & Game has designated the Alaska Peninsula as a trophy bear area for game management purposes. The goal is to produce bears of the largest possible size for sportsmen. To accomplish this, hunting seasons have been restricted since 1974. Spring hunts take place in May of even years (i.e., 2018, 2020, 2022). Fall hunts take place in October of odd years (i.e. 2017, 2019, 2021). The technique has been very successful.

Weather on the Peninsula is seldom what you could call good, often it's downright blustery. Big bears live where the weather is the worst, so it's something everyone tolerates. Once you hunt for a day or so it becomes easier to adjust to the conditions.

In the spring, bears are coming out of their dens looking for a mate and in the fall they tend to be on streams feeding on salmon. Both spring and fall are equally productive. Just be prepared to hunt hard and as it comes to weather, be patient and it will change.

BROWN BEAR

We are often asked the question as to whether the Alaska Peninsula or Kodiak region produces larger bears. Both areas have produced an incredible number of enormous bears over the year. Currently, most guides agree that the Alaska Peninsula now produces the largest bodied animals on the average, and has done so over the past ten or fifteen years. Kodiak guides like to disagree, but they have a hard time producing the numbers to back them up. They often rely on skull size to support their argument, but skull size is notorious for being unrelated to body size and no one has a 10 foot skull on the wall.

We have coined the phrase "camp legal" meaning that the minimum size bear we will normally take is 9' size. Seldom has a season gone by that we have not taken at least two or three bears over the 10' mark. This is not to say that the occasional client shows up out of shape, or out of luck, and makes a decision to take a smaller bear. This is quite unusual, but it happens.



There is a lot of talk these days about the largest bears coming from the Kamchatka, but there shouldn't be. We can assure you that Russia does not, has not, and will not ever have bears equivalent in size to those taken in Alaska.

In all fairness, some folks selling these hunts actually believe that the Russian bear is equal to the Alaska bear in size, but there is no comparison. Hunters that claim they have shot 10' bear, or they know the difference and just aren't telling. If you want a chance at a true 10' brown bear, you need to hunt in Alaska.

Without question, our Alaska Peninsula Camps have been producing some of the largest bear hides and skulls in Alaska for the past 25 years. Year in and year out our bears have ranged between 8'8" and 11'4" and we have maintained an overall average of 9'5".

On virtually all successful bear hunts, your primary activity on the hunt will be glassing. In October you glass the mountain slopes and valley floors for bears feeding on roots or feeding in the salmon streams. In October of 2015 we saw an average of over 25 bears per camp using this method. In spring you glass the mountain walls in search of fresh bear tracks or dens appearing in the snow covered cliffs. As the days become longer the bears break out of their holds and move into the valleys in search of food and a mate. Unusual weather can bring the bears out early, or cause them to stay in a little later, so weather is still a factor. Regardless of which period you choose, bear size will remain about the same.

Our success in hunting brown bear is simply outstanding year after year.

Unfortunately, it is inevitable that a hunter occasionally goes home without a bear.

Most of the time, that client is simply holding out for a 10' or 11' bear. Bears of that size do not come easily and so the chances of not filling the tag increase. At other times, the client may not be willing to hunt in bad weather or to walk in the muskeg that the bears love, usually due to the client's physical conditioning. Other circumstances and game

movement may not favor an individual client. That being said, most clients are successful within the first few days of their 10-day hunt.

If for some reason a client does not take a bear in this time frame, the hunt may be extended on a daily fee basis. The additional cost is \$2500 for each additional day in the field, up to a maximum of five additional days of hunting.





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A large number of wilderness rivers drain the pristine Brooks Range and ultimately into the Arctic Ocean at the very top of the continent. Our lodge is located at Happy Valley on the bank of one of these unspoiled rivers. This gives us access to all it's drainage, plus a number of parallel drainages, to the East.

You reach our Brooks Range camp via an Alaska Airlines flight from Anchorage to Prudhoe Bay, Alaska. Our camp is very remote, located approximately 80 miles southeast of Deadhorse (Prudhoe Bay), which is located on the northern arctic coast. Once you arrive in Prudhoe Bay, one of our staff members will be there to meet you and transport you via van or truck to camp.

These watersheds are home to a significant population of Dall sheep, grizzly bear, caribou and wolf. After years of guiding in several of Alaska's mountain ranges, we have yet to find a location with more game and fewer hunters than these magnificent valleys. The Brooks Range is as true a wilderness as there is anywhere on this continent and unlike any you have probably encountered.

Temperatures are mild, ranging between 50°-80° F in spring and 25°-60° F during the last weeks of summer. Our hunts take place on the north side of the Brooks Range. The Brooks Range is located 80 miles southeast of Deadhorse Airport, and mostly within the boundaries of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

Our spike camps are placed in areas selected for their proximity to trophy Dall sheep and/ or caribou depending on the species you are hunting. There is one hunter and one guide per camp, and our guides will always place you in the best locations for the conditions. You will also have access to communications both on the mountain and off, with staff from our base camps checking on you and your guide every day. Our job is to put you where we know the game is at the time of your hunt.





DALL SHEEP

Sheep populations are substantial with rams scattered throughout the region. Most full curl rams measure between 35" and 43" while their tips are typically wide and flaring. While some hunters are focused solely on the ram's measurements, we believe the excitement you experience in hunting Dall sheep will not be dependent upon it's size.

Be in the best shape you can possibly be in because you've probably guessed, sheep hunting is physically demanding, and the difficulty of hunting and terrain can vary greatly. Access can be a simple hike up the valley or may involve a day of packing. If you don't take time to get into shape you may not be able to do the necessary climbing, which may affect your opportunities to take a sheep. There is no substitute for working on your physical conditioning, so please take time to prepare. Properly prepared hunters find a much greater deal of success in taking trophy rams year after year.

We take a great amount of pride in the efforts we take to put you onto the oldest and largest rams we know in the area. By regulation, only full curl sheep may be taken.

Sites for spike camps are chosen carefully. From these camps hunting is conducted on foot, onto the ridges or into the valleys where the sheep reside.

You will either be hunting from a fixed spike camp or packing a light weight camp with you when you head into the mountains. Pack camps make it unnecessary to walk back to our starting point every evening, and can save you a tremendous amount of energy. Once you are on the mountain, near sheep, it is to your advantage to stay there. There is nothing quite like a comfortable camp high on the mountain from which you can look at sheep in the first light of day. Both methods are equally successful.





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CARIBOU

"Barren Ground" is the only species of caribou found in Alaska. Within the state are numerous distinct herds, some of which reside in a small area, while others migrate vast distances. Antler configuration is fairly consistent, with occasional record book animals coming from each heard. Herd size and access probably have more to do with the number of record book animals taken than any other factor. Antler growth within each herd will vary from year to year, depending on factors such as rainfall, severity of winters, and number of sunny days. These variables affect vegetation growth and availability of feed which are important factors in antler growth.

Three herds are present in the area we hunt. The size of each heard is sizable, numbering into the thousands of animals. In early August, groups of bulls can be found on ice fields that remain from the previous winter. The bulls congregate on these ice packs to escape the summer heat and avoid the bugs of the Arctic Plain. In mid-August the bulls move towards the mountains, resulting in very enjoyable hunting near our sheep camps.

A caribou is an excellent trophy to add to any hunt. Caribou also make a fine single species hunt for those new to Alaskan hunting. If you would like to introduce your son or daughter to hunting, an August caribou hunt is an unsurpassed experience. Why not spend time with your child in the Arctic? They will never forget it.

GRIZZLY BEAR

Grizzly bear hunting is offered in combination with our Dall sheep and caribou hunts in August or early September. We hunt in Game Management Unit 26, which is home to an extensive population of Grizzly bears. The Grizzly bear hunts in this area are available on a drawing permit in our eastern GUA or over the counter in our western GUA we will combine the Grizzly bear hunt on a trophy fee basis with your Dall sheep or caribou hunt. This way you only play a small trophy fee if you take a bear.

To combine a Grizzly bear to his Dall sheep or caribou hunt, this is a great chance whether you draw or purchase a tag, chances are outstanding for you to take a Grizzly bear on this hunt.







WOLF

Almost everyone wants a wolf for their trophy room, and most of those who have one want another. You are required to purchase a state tag.

We suggest purchasing a wolf tag. The cost has been reduced dramatically to just \$60, so this makes taking a wolf both inexpensive and convenient.



MULTIPLE SPECIES HUNTS

Taking two trophies on a hunt has real advantages for most hunters and also saves you time and expense of taking a separate trip for each species. For most hunters, taking more than one animal heightens their enjoyment of the hunt. Successful multi-species hunts are actually quite practical - it is possible to take two or three species on a 7-10 day hunt.

Caribou can be added to any sheep hunt. We do charge a trophy fee, but only when taken. Two species on a hunt is a real advantage and most of our clients add a second species. Years of experience have proven there is little difficulty in taking two different types of species on a 7-10 day hunt.

For grizzly bears we do charge a trophy fee, but only when taken. State law requires you to have a tag in your possession at the time of harvest. We suggest purchasing these tags if you have any desire in taking one of these trophies.







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