Top 10 Hunting Destinations in the World

Hunting for food has been the primary source of sustenance for man since the Stone Age; however, with the farming of animals and easy availability of food, hunting has become a popular recreational activity for people. An extremely popular sport in Africa's and America's, this is also a major source of income for these continents.



1. Tanzania

Tanzania is a country with beautiful national parks and game reserves. It is also called the African hunter's paradise and is considered the ultimate hunting destination. There are numerous game reserves in this land which is abundant with flora and fauna. The Selous Game Reserve is the largest hunting ground in the world dedicated to conducting hunts. The lion, buffalo and exotic species such as Sitatunga, Lesser Kunduk and Gerenuk are the popular animals hunted here. Other parks you must visit for game hunting are the Gombe Stream National Park, Mkomazi Game Reserve for Rhinos, Monduli Mountains, Ugalla. These reserves are not very well-known though offer a wide variety of games to hunters.

2. Mozambique

Its topography consists of thick forests, swamplands and palm forests. Earlier wildlife was heavily poached thus resulting in a dwindling population of animals. However, the initiative of the government in working with locals in promoting sustained hunting has revived Mozambique's hunting industry. One can claim the Lion, Leopard, Cape Buffalo and Elephant as trophies from their hunting expeditions. Other unusual game trophies such as Kudu, Chobe bushbuck, Nyala, Eland and

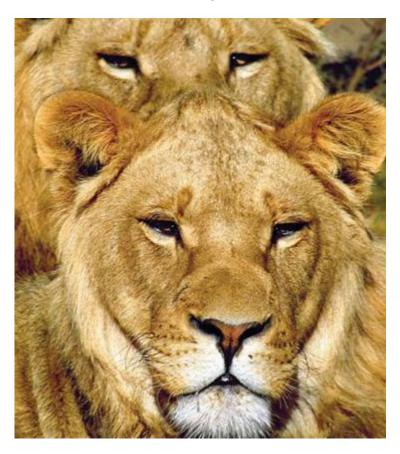
Crocodile are also hunted in Mozambique.

3. South Africa

South Africa is the destination to be for hunters seeking 'luxury and that something extra' while on a hunt. It is easily accessible from all over the world thus making it a preferred hunting destination. The world-famous Kruger National Park, Pilanesberg Game reserve, Kalahari Gemsbok National Park are some of the parks which offer a multitude of big game hunting. One can hunt game such as Nyala, Suni, White Rhino and Gnu apart from Buffaloes, Elephants, Lions etc.

4. Namibia

Earlier a favorite gaming spot among Europeans it is also gaining popularity among North American hunters. It offers a diverse selection of hunts such as the Elephant, Lion, Cape Buffalo, Leopard, Rhino and Steenbuck for hunting enthusiasts.



5. Montenegro

Located in Southeastern Europe this small country has relatively untouched landscapes and beautiful rugged countryside. Hunting in Montenegro is an actively practiced sport as the wildlife thrives in its rich jungles and forests. A wide variety of bird species are available for hunting such as quail, duck, turtle-dove, snipe; while the wild boar, bears, rabbits, chamois and wolves are also allowed to be hunted. The Skadarsko Jezero, Mount Durmitor, Bjelopavlicka vally, Crmnica and Ulcinj are popular hunting grounds in Montenegro.

6. Belarus

This landlocked country is an ideal hunting destination due to its flat landscape and marshy tracts. It also has 11,000 pristine lakes and 40% of its land is covered with forest area thus perfect for hunting and fishing game. Their national animal – the European Bison – is an exciting game to hunt.

Among other big games, the Elk, Red Deer, Roe Deer, Wild Boar and Wolf which provides exciting challenges.

7. Cambodia

After hunting was banned in 1954 in Cambodia the government finally opened doors to hunters in 2009. It is actively working with locals to promote sustainable hunting thus preserving Cambodia's rich wildlife. For hunters who have money to spend Cambodia offers expeditions into underground jungles where one can hunt elephants, reptiles and birds.



8. Canada

Canada offers vast and beautiful landscapes to hunt and fish. The choices available for hunting big game are plentiful. One can head to Ontario for Deer and Waterfowl, Newfoundland for Caribou and Hare. Moose and Grouse are other games popular among hunters. For an extremely challenging and exciting hunt, one should go for a fishing expedition to the North i.e. Yukon, upper Quebec to fish for the traditional Seal, Arctic Fox and even the Beluga Whale. A hunting trip in Canada is an experience one will never forget.

9. Argentina

Argentina has one of the most regulated and organized hunting industry in the world. This country is rich in its biodiversity and provides some of the best games for hunting. Due to its close proximity to Antarctica, a wide assortment of birds and animals thrive here. Dove and Pigeons are hunted throughout the year while hunters seeking higher challenges can focus on the Blackbuck Antelope, Stags, Pumas and Water Buffalo. This place is a must-visit for any hunting enthusiast.

10. Uruguay

Uruguay is not as well-known as its southern neighbor though it offers a variety of birds and animals for game hunting. Hunting for ducks is the most popular game in Uruguay. Other games are pigeons, doves, freshwater fish are also available.

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