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BOLIVIA

FANTASTIC MULTI-SPECIES FISHING
HIGH-VOLUME DOVE SHOOTING

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BOLIVIA CAST & BLAST OVERVIEW

Bolivia is the world's new mecca for high-volume dove hunting. Fifteen to twenty million eared doves (*Zenaida auriculata*)

migrate from Brazil each May to feed on the literally millions of acres of sorghum, sunflowers and soybeans. They stay until October, offering bird hunting that can only be described as "astonishing." Our hunters here routinely expend 60-80-100 boxes a day on shoots in a great variety of settings.

We have a fantastic outfitter for our trips in Bolivia. Jorge Molina can be accurately described as "the dean of dove

shooting" in first Colombia and for many years now in Bolivia. He has hosted many thousands of American shooters over the last twenty years and his charming lodge, fabulous food presentation and service are really unmatched anywhere else in the continent. Recently returning clients have described his Las Palomas Lodge as "nicer than a Four Seasons Hotel." The lodge is a 20-minute private air charter flight from the Santa Cruz airport.

The "high volume shooting" can be combined with spectacular "high volume fishing" for peacock bass, payara, pacu and other hard-fighting jungle species. It is common for our anglers to catch **50-100 fish a day** here, fishing top-water and sub-surface lures and flies!



Santa Cruz, a surprisingly international and sophisticated city of 1.2 million, is the jump-off point easily reached from Miami. The flight is only six hours as opposed to Argentina, which is nearly twice as far.



Ferocious payara up to fifty pounds abound in the rivers.

RATES

\$1990 for three days shooting, single occupancy. Ground transportation to the lodge—1.5 hours—is included in the price. Four days fishing: \$3895, six/seven days fishing: \$4995. Air charter to the fishing areas is included in the price. Prices do not include dayrooms or overnight guestrooms (approx. \$100 per single room) in Santa Cruz if applicable.

PRIME TIME

Shooting: Early May through October
Fishing: Mid-July through October

HOW TO GET THERE

Santa Cruz, Bolivia is easily reached via non-stop service from Miami on American Airlines. From there, hunters are met and transferred in Bolivian Adventures' private air charters. The flight to the dove lodge is around 20 minutes. The flight to the fishing areas is around two hours, depending on prevailing winds.



Our fishing areas have the greatest concentrations of peacock bass ON EARTH.

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"We shot in Argentina for many years, but our two trips to Bolivia have made us loyal fans of Bolivian Adventures. Jorge Molina has to be the best outfitter in the world and his wife has to be the best cook! Their lodge is fantastic, the volume and variety of shooting is just amazing, and it is only a six-hour flight from Miami."

Matt Stolhandske,
San Antonio, TX

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Bolivia is truly the new frontier for world-class eared dove hunting. The habitat, feeding flights and style of hunting closely resembles the classic era of Mexico



Cortinas of crops and tree lines — home to literally millions of doves

whitewing shooting at its best — flock after flock pouring into grain fields from surrounding roosting areas and then later returning to those roosts in larger flocks. There is one main distinction: in the bountiful plain of Bolivia's Gran Chaco region, there are vastly greater numbers of birds — a truly astonishing sight. At points during the morning and afternoon feeding flights it is possible to see thousands and even hundreds of thousands of birds in all directions!



Taking a moment to rest weary shoulders

The hunting day also resembles Mexico in that the birds fly primarily between 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. and then again mid to late afternoon—providing a nice break in the middle of the day. During this break hunters can either return to the lodge for lunch and a nap or they can opt for a wonderful asado picnic of grilled meats and game birds, salads, fresh baked breads, etc. and rest in a hammock or on a cot.



Eared doves returning by the thousands to roost

The immigration of doves brings in vast numbers by late April—early May, and the birds stay until their eventual emigration in late October. The timing is quite nice, as the season corresponds with Bolivia's cooler months. Daily hightemperatures will range from the 60s to the 90s. As an added plus during most of the season, gunning for big picazuro pigeons is terrific, primarily over standing grain or over waterholes.

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BOLIVIA CAST & BLAST THE FISHING

Bolivian Adventures' Caño Negro Green Forest Lodge offers every possible combination of angling adventure in remote, previously-unfished areas of northeastern

Bolivia. Choose between lagoon or river fishing, spin casting, bait casting, or fly-fishing, or just relax and enjoy the picturesque surroundings and abundant wildlife. You will see macaws, parrots, storks, geese, ducks and unique animal species such as caiman and capybara in a lush, sub-tropical setting.

A two-hour air charter from Las Palomas Hunting Lodge or Santa Cruz lands you at the Rio Caño/Rio San Simon fishing area and Caño Negro Green Forest Lodge. Here, the mighty saber-tooth payara, river tiger of South America, offers the thrilling, tackle-busting fishing experience of a lifetime. Hailed as "tarpon on

steroids," **these payara range from 10 to 30 pounds and can exceed 50 pounds!** Ten to fifteen hookups a day is the norm on payara.



Payara — the Amazon's "tarpon on steroids."

In addition to payara, these river and lagoon systems have the highest concentrations of peacock bass found anywhere on earth.

The peacocks here range from around three to twelve pounds and the daily catch numbers are amazing— **it's common for one angler to land fifty explosive-hitting peacocks a day!** Other excellent gamefish include brawny pacu up to thirty pounds, brilliant yatoranas, muturos and surubi (giant catfish) that readily take lures and flies.

Caño Negro is clean and comfortable, with spacious, air-conditioned guestrooms with private baths, a well-appointed dining room and an adjacent lounge and bar with a scenic view of the vast, live lagoons fed by springs and the Rio Caño. The lodge is located in the midst of a 4.5 million acre nature preserve.

For sheer numbers of fish and variety of species, no other location in the world offers better fishing than the Bolivian Amazonas region.



Baitcasting, spincasting and fly fishing are all effective.

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THE SHOOTING:

Las Palomas dove lodge offers clients a lovely, air-conditioned Bolivian-style lodge, with Spanish tile roof, hand-painted ceramics throughout, a large jacuzzi tub,

twelve large, well-appointed suites and guestrooms with private baths, a massage room, a beautiful pool and adjacent palapa bar, satellite television, internet access, and any and all amenities that make for a wonderfully luxurious stay. The lodge was constructed specifically as a dove hunting headquarters and is located quite close to huge

concentrations of birds.

Las Palomas' highly trained chef, Karin Molina, provides the finest in Continental dishes, along with marvelous Bolivian specialties. Clients literally rave about the food and food presentation. The lounge offers shooters a relaxing atmosphere in which to reminisce about the day's hunt over cocktails, while the jacuzzi provides a comforting end to an exhilarating day in the field. An onsite gun room is offered where guest's guns are stored and cleaned on a daily basis at no additional charge. Of course, Molina also has a large selection of high-quality shotguns available to rent.

THE FISHING:

Caño Negro Green Forest Lodge is a traditional wood-constructed facility on the Rio Caño/San Simon system. The new lodge features air-conditioned double occupancy rooms with private baths, large dining and bar/conversation areas, and a lovely view overlooking huge adjacent springfed lagoons.

The camp is quite comfortable and offers excellent "front door" opportunities to disperse fishing pressure and access multiple species of fish that have never seen a lure or fly.

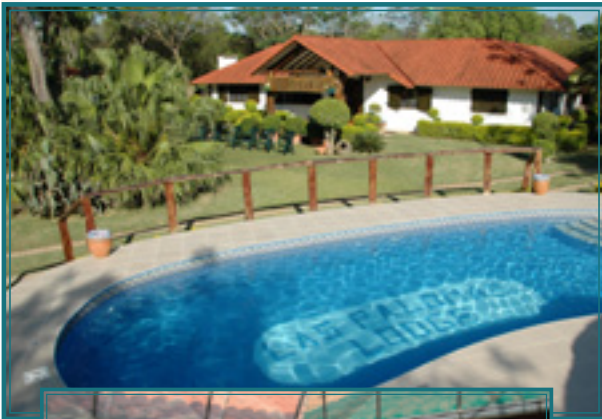
Caño Negro Green Forest Lodge



Outfitter Jorge Molina, wife/chef Karin and kitchen staff



Las Palomas Lodge
(The Doves)



Las Palomas has a great hot tub for soaking tired bodies

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