

# ESTANCIA SANTA ROSA

## HIGH VOLUME DOVE SHOOTING/GOLDEN DORADO FISHING

**5 night/10 outing trip is \$4475**

(Longer or shorter trips are possible, calendar permitting.)

**Included:** All ground transportation, all meals including beer, wine and cocktails, single-room accommodations, Entre Rios Province hunting and fishing license and guided hunting and fishing outings. Use of high quality bait casting and spinning rods and good reels is included in the price, as are all dorado lures. Fly fishermen need to bring their own rods, reels, leader, flies, etc. First rate back-ups for all fly gear and flies will be available at the lodge in case of trouble with fly equipment.

**Not included:** Commercial or charter air travel, Argentine gun permits or gun rental, shotgun shells, fly fishing equipment and flies, gratuities, laundry, and miscellaneous purchases.

### TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

A valid passport is required to enter Argentina. A visa is not required.

### TAKING GUNS

The process for taking shotguns to Argentina has become more difficult and **we strongly suggest** hunters plan to use one of the lodge's very fine Beretta or Benelli semi-automatics, or Beretta over/unders. Of course the lodge provides backups and cleans all guns after each outing. Hunters taking guns will encounter lengthy delays at Customs in Argentina and will have to secure Consular permits (for semi-autos) from regional Argentine Consulates in the U.S., which can be a time-consuming process.

### SHELLS/GUN RENTAL

Payment for your shells can be made with cash or a personal check, and will be handled as you depart. Traveler's Checks or credit cards are not accepted. The current cost for shells is \$15/box and gun rental is \$70/day. THESE PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

### AIRLINE SCHEDULING

Many excellent carriers, such as American, Delta, United Airlines, LATAM, and Aerolineas Argentinas offer flight service to Argentina from Dallas/Fort Worth, New York, Miami, Atlanta, or Los Angeles. Most flights depart the U.S. in the evening and arrive Argentina early to late morning the next day. Please note: on the way home, if your flight is one of the few that departs BA in the afternoon, you will have difficulty managing a hunt on your departure morning if your flight home from BA is prior to 5 p.m.

Rod & Gun Resources will be happy to assist in arranging your air travel, or you are welcome to purchase tickets on your own.

We are in constant contact with Estancia El Rincon and our Buenos Aires transfer agencies. Both organizations do an outstanding job handling all incoming/outgoing transfers.

## CLIMATE/CLOTHING

For doves, use dark green/brown or camo clothes with a corresponding hat. Ankle-height shoes/boots are adequate. Do not take light-colored hunting clothing. Light rain gear (brown, green or camo) is a must.

Temperatures will range from the mid-50s to upper-80s.

Evening wear in all areas will be very informal—whatever is most comfortable, including hunting clothes if you wish. The only need for coat and tie is at sophisticated restaurants in Buenos Aires.

## ITEMS FOR DORADO FISHING

Dorado fishing at El Rincon is out of spacious, center-console boats with 60 to 90 horsepower outboard engines. Excellent bait casting and spinning rods and reels and lures are available at no charge. Fly fishermen will need to bring their own equipment.

- Cotton or microfiber long-sleeved shirts
- Shorts (weather permitting)
- Nylon/microfiber pants
- Fishing hat
- Fishing pack or bag
- Amber polarized fishing glasses
- Fishing gloves (optional)
- 20-40 lb. range of tippet material & 20-30 lb. wire leader, *Tyger Wire* (for fly fishing)
- Fishing pliers
- Hook sharpener
- Copy of passport packed separately
- Camera or video camera with extra battery
- Zip-lock bag or case to protect camera
- Small container of bug repellent (Repel eucalyptus/citrus spray or Deet)

## FLY FISHING TACKLE

- 8- to 9-weight fly rod(s) in 9' length
- Reel for 8- to 9-weight rod
- Floating fly line for 8- to 9-weight rods
- Sink tip line for 8- to 9-weight rods

## FLIES

Large muddler/deceiver flies #1 to #3/0 in color combinations of black heads with yellow, orange, black, red or blue with flash work well. All flies should be four to five inches in length.

Flies can be ordered from Feather-Craft Fly Fishing [www.feather-craft.com](http://www.feather-craft.com) (800) 659-1707 (ask for Evan Muskopf). Please order well in advance of your departure.

## BAIT AND SPIN CASTING EQUIPMENT AND LURES

- Medium action, firm tip rods and corresponding reels with 30 lb. braided line
- Diving minnow lures (Rapala type) – 4 to 5 ½ inches, ½ oz. silver and gold spoons and spinners

You may take your own equipment and lures but the lodge has rods, reels and lures available at no charge.

**You may want to contact J.W. Smith of Rod & Gun Resources at (800) 211-4743 for further advise regarding fishing tackle and equipment.**

#### ITEMS FOR DOVE HUNTING

- Shooting safety glasses—yellow for dark days, dark for sun
- Thin, soft leather shooting gloves or adhesive tape to protect hands and fingers while loading and firing
- Shell bag or vest
- Ear plugs for protection while shooting
- Shoulder pad recoil reduction device (optional)
- Light raincoat (brown, green, camo, etc.)
- Small backpack or field bag
- Multi-tool or pocketknife
- Reading glasses (if needed)
- Toiletry items and prescription drugs
- Reading material
- Lip balm
- Travel alarm clock and flashlight
- Garbage bags for dirty laundry

#### TIME

When we are on Daylight Savings Time here in the U.S., Argentina is Eastern Time plus one hour (it's later in Argentina). The remainder of the year they are Eastern Time plus two hours.

#### PHONE SERVICE/WI-FI

El Rincon has Wi-Fi and good cell phone service. Guests can also call home using calling cards via the international operator of their long-distance carrier.

#### ELECTRIC CURRENT

220 volts; a standard converter and European adapter for two-pronged plug should work fine.

#### COCKTAILS

El Rincon provides a good quality, but limited bar, along with good beer and wine. Guests are welcome to bring their own favorite brand of liquor.

#### MEDICAL EVACUATION/TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE

From minor medical issues to life-threatening situations, Global Rescue's critical services have been there when they were needed most. Outdoorsmen have trusted Global Rescue's medical and security travel services since 2004. Global Rescue memberships start at \$119 and feature the following benefits:

- Medical evacuation services to your home country hospital of choice
- Field Rescue services from the point of injury or illness
- 24/7 access to board-certified physicians, clinicians and specialists from the Johns Hopkins Emergency Medicine
- Division of Special Operations

Additionally, Global Rescue and IMG have created one of the industry's most complete travel insurance products, integrating Global Rescue's advisory and evacuation services with the financial protection of a comprehensive travel insurance program. Signature Travel Insurance guarantees that a trip is covered no matter what happens, and features the following highlights:

- CANCEL-FOR-ANY-REASON BENEFIT

- Trip cancellation insured up to \$100,000
- Up to \$2,500 for lost luggage/baggage delay
- \$100,000 emergency medical/dental coverage

Rod & Gun Resources recommends a Global Rescue Membership with Signature Travel Insurance for your next trip. Visit <http://www.globalrescue.com/rodandgun/> or call 617-549-4200 for more information.

#### GRATUITIES

Gratuities for lodge staff and hunting and fishing guides are not included in hunt cost, and we suggest around \$65-\$75 total per day per person as a general guideline. This will be distributed by the outfitters to luggage handlers, fishing guides, pick-up boys, and lodge or lodge staff.

Gratuities to hotel staff and at restaurants in Buenos Aires are not included; the standard restaurant tip is 10 to 15 percent.

#### LANGUAGE

Spanish is the national language, although English is spoken in most shops and restaurants.

#### IN BUENOS AIRES

Shopping: Most shops are generally open all day to 7 p.m. on weekdays and until 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Florida Street (Calle Florida) is for pedestrians only and is lined with many attractive shops. One example is Mundo del Cuero (World of Leather) which houses two dozen leather goods merchants.

Restaurants: The restaurant environment in Buenos Aires is very diverse and dynamic. We suggest that you consult with your transfer agent or hotel concierge for recommendations or assistance with reservations for any restaurant. You should plan on eating a little later than you may be used to in the U.S.—many Argentines don't eat dinner until 10 p.m., and most restaurants do not begin serving dinner until 8:00 p.m.

#### HELPFUL HINTS

- Check the expiration date on your passport to be sure it is valid for travel. Some countries require that the passport is valid for as much as one year from your date of entry. And, again, take a photocopy of the photo page of the passport, in case you lose the original.
- Always take a raincoat (in hunting colors) and always take it with you on each outing.
- Always take your passport, airline tickets, medications, camera equipment and valuables in a carry-on such as a backpack or small valise.
- Bring a bandanna for use as a handkerchief and to cover your slightly bald head if you misplace your cap.
- Bring two pairs of sunglasses.

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