



SIERRA NEVADA IBEX Hunting Program

SOUTHEASTERN IBEX - SIERRA NEVADA IBEX

Sierra Nevada is a mountainous massif belonging to the Baetic mountain range, more specifically the Penibetico range. The southeaster ibex or Sierra Nevada ibex can be found all over the Eastern side of Andalusia in the provinces of Granada, Almeria and Jaen.



The ibex is a very old specie. It is estimated that during the Pliocene Era (7 million years ago), the caprinidae of Central Asia arrived in Europe and it was around the Riss Glacial stage when the Iberian form the Ibex of Central Europe. The most important colony of the Capra Pyrenaica Hispanica, which inhabits the parallel mountain ranges of Mediterranean Peninsula, is in Sierra Nevada.

The males have thick, rough, knotty horns, and are normally in the shape of semicircle curving



backwards. In contrast to deer, they do not shed them annually, but keep them throughout their entire lives. The age of the animals can be measured by the rings of annual growth.

Capra Pyrenaica is an animal with great sexual dimorphism. As with the majority of mammals, this means there are ample differences between the morphology of the male goat and the female goat. They tend to divide into groups of sexes which can contain over 30 individuals: the males in one group and the females and young in another.

They move easily around rocky walls of incredible verticality, thanks to the peculiarity of their hooves, whose internal surface is non-slip. Even when they are sedentary, in Winter they carry out prolonged displacements in search of refuge and shelter, climbing down to lower areas.

DESCRIPTION OF THE HUNT

The hunting season for the Southeastern Ibex or Sierra Nevada Ibex is from 15th October to 31st May. The rut time is in November – December.

Your hunting trip will start with your arrival to the airport. The closest airport to the hunting area is Almería. But if you don't find any flight to this airport, you can fly also to Murcia (San Javier) airport or to Alicante. The last one is about 2.30h from the hunting area, but it is an international airport and for sure that it will be easier to get flights there.



At your arrival to the airport we will meet you and will accompany you during all your trip and will care for your hunt. After the clearance documents for bringing your rifle, you will be transferred to the hotel. It is also possible to rent a rifle by us.

This hunt, just like other stalking of this species, begins in the early hours of the morning. It is a mountain hunt in which the hunter and guides search, with the aid of binoculars and monoculars for a suitable trophy according to the clients demands. The stalking should then be carried out in complete silence, with attention being paid to the recommendations of the guide, who will demonstrate his knowledge and know-how in the terrain. This is a species with a very sharp sense of smell, sight and hearing, an adversary which will contribute to the hunt, together with the incomparable landscape common to the area, the necessary ingredients to make the day an unforgettable hunting experience.

Shooting distances may be in the range of 150 – 250 meters. Recommended calibres for this hunt are 300 WM, 338 WM and 270 Watherby. In most cases you will have time to get a comfortable rest for shooting, but sometimes you must be able to manage quicker shots.



ACCOMMODATION

Charming and comfortable hotels situated in the heart of the countryside will host you during your stay. The perfect places to enjoy a wonderful scenery. Excellent service and the highest quality.



*Andalusia, a meeting
place of culture and
cuisine.*

The Romans taught Andalusia how to cultivate wheat and vines and used the fish from the seas to produce the best "garum" in the empire.

The Arabs taught the people of Andalusia to grow fruit and vegetables. They used irrigation systems and perfected the cultivation of the olive and the production of the oil.

Furthermore, the Greeks, Phoenicians, Carthaginians and Visigoths left their mark on the art, science, culture and gastronomy of Andalusia. This is a quite a legacy and the best way to get to know it better is to sit down to the table

A Mediterranean based gastronomy which is unique due to the extremely high quality of its ingredients from the sea or vegetable garden, and because of the use of extra virgin olive oil, an indispensable element which gives personality and distinction to these dishes, and it is present in the quintessential Andalusian dish: "Gazpacho"

TERMS FOR BOOKING AND CANCELLATION

Hunting in Natural Parks is based in a strict license system.

We need to buy licenses for your hunt prior your arrival. To confirm your booking we require a deposit of 50% of the cost for the hunt. The remaining balance to the full cost of your hunt has to be paid not later than 60 days before the hunting date. In case to shoot a bigger trophy, the extra points would be paid after the hunt by sign of the hunting protocol before your departure.

The measure of the trophies will be done "en verde" (in green) in the field by the rangers of the Hunting Reserve.

Any reservation made less than sixty days before the hunting date will be confirmed by the full payment of the hunt. In case of cancellation with more than 180 days before the hunting date, the deposit will be refunded less 10% and five hundred euros as administration fees. In case of cancellation between 180 and 61 days before the hunting date, the total deposit is forfeited. In case of cancellation of 60 or less days before the hunting date, all booked services must be paid.

Injured animals which can't be found are considered to be shot and must be paid by the customer.

In normal weather conditions we score a 100% of success in our hunts. But if any case the weather avoids a successful hunt or we don't find the trophy expected during the hunt, we keep your hunting licence and you can come back for huntin during the next two years with the only cost of your spanish hunting licence and insurance (175,00.-€) and the dailyrates (450,00.-€)

For the management of your Spanish license and insurance, we will need to receive copy of your current hunting license and identity card or passport.



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