

RED STAG HUNTING NZ GEAR LIST

Please note this gear list is what typically we would use ourselves, it's not set in stone and some gear is seasonal. If you have any questions, please ask. We have extra gear available if something gets left behind, sizes not guaranteed.

- Good hunting boots. (Gortex or similar waterproof good gripped sole) Boots must be perfectly clean to enter NZ. We recommend washing them in the shower w/ a toothbrush and air dry for 2 days prior to departure.
- Warm thermal socks, wool blend is best.
- Thermal underwear (May, June, July)
- Hunting trousers, shirts, jacket, vests, anything that is windproof. Quick drying layers.
- Rain gear, good quality jacket and trousers.
- Warm hat, cap, warm gloves, balaclava in camo. (mid-April, May, June, July)
- Gaiters: just under knee, quiet "soft outer" style (not the noisy canvas type)
- Day pack, water bladder (our water is excellent quality), headlamp.
- Binoculars- Range finder for rifle hunters not essential, bow hunters bring range finder.
- Camera, spare batteries or charger. We have outlet adapters in each bedroom for US plugs.
- Ammunition -2 or 3 boxes as we like to go to the rifle range first.
- Walking pole if you are used to using one. We have wooden walking sticks to borrow.
- Gun: Anything that you are confident with, 25-06 minimum prefers 30 cal.
- Gun permit (online) filled out 30 days prior to departure if bringing own rifle.
<http://forms.police.govt.nz/firearms/visitors>
- You are welcome to borrow our rifles here for a small one-time \$175 fee. We will prearrange which rifle you will use and recommend the ammo to bring. 2-3 boxes of ammo is sufficient.
- Not necessary to bring knives as your guide will field dress your animal.
- Lip balm, we have sun screen here.
- Medications, please let us know of any medical conditions or food allergies you may have.
- Sleeping bag for the free-range Red Stag hunts. (Only if Scott instructs you to bring one)
- Slippers and/or Sandals to walk around the house & use the hot tub/sauna
- Swimsuit for hot tub and sauna
- Sense of humour.

It is our goal to make sure you have the best time possible with your hunting experience here in New Zealand. We are very experienced hunters and will help you get your trophies of a lifetime. Our guides will range your animals and offer advice on shooting steep angles as we do this daily. We assist bow hunters until the last 100 yards, unless it is possible for us to get closer, and then we sit back and let you take your trophy.

We have laundry facilities in both of our lodges available free of charge. Airlines are extremely strict with their weight requirements. Checked bags can weigh no more than 50 lbs. You're allowed one carry-on that can not weigh more than 13 lbs. We recommend you purchase a hand scale at Target or Walmart to ensure you are under weight for both your departure and your return flight home.

IF we feel that we may be able to get your trophies home with you in checked baggage we will instruct you on bringing an extra large duffel bag with you in your luggage. An extra bag fee is to be expected between \$150-250. Otherwise, our capable expeditor will arrange shipment of your trophies to your desired location.

A high-quality neck pillow is essential to a comfortable(ish) sleep on the plane. Memory foam or micro-bead pillows give better support. Eye masks and ear plugs (or sound reducing headphones) ensure a more peaceful rest as well. Compression socks are better to have on hand, just in case. "Pins and needles" in your legs can be miserable. Better safe than sorry. Carry a water bottle that you can dump and refill along your journey. Stay hydrated!