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## **GIANT KAMCHATKA MOOSE**

Bulls in this region are classified as the Chukotka specie

Hunting Areas	Season	Duration	Range Trophy Size	Weather	
Kamchatka peninsula, North of Kamchatka – Penzhina River, Central Kamchatka – Milkovo, Atlasovo and Esso areas	Northern Kamchatka: Sept10 - Oct 10 rutting time  Central Kamchatka: Sept25 - Oct 15 rutting time  Late Nov to late Dec – hunt on skidoos	8 or 9 day hunt	Average 63" a few of them exceed 74" antler spread weight approx. 1400 pounds	September/October: Daylight hours 40°F to 50°F. Nighttime from 23°F to 32°F. Possibility of rain and snow is high. Nov. to December: 14 Daytime: -4°F to 5°F Night time: -15°F to -20°F  Click for Weather	



Moose moved onto the upper mainland of the Kamchatka Peninsula over thousands of years. The severe climate conditions, deep snow, shortage of the food stock on the passes did not let the moose naturally move deep down the peninsula. In 1978 specialists of the Regional Hunting Department carried out a project transporting 45 young moose to the center of Kamchatka. These moose were brought from the Chukotsky region, home to the largest moose on the planet. Kamchatka now regularly is responsible for the largest trophy moose shot around the world each season. With a milder climate, less snow, and an abundance of food moose quickly bred and settled along the valley of the Kamchatka River and many other regions. The population for the past 20 years has risen to 2900 animals.

PRICE per hunter 1 x 1 including one Moose	
North region from Petropavlovsk 12-day trip, 8-day hunt	\$ 12,000
Transfer fee (helicopter)	\$3.000
Central region from Petropavlovsk 11-day trip, 8-day hunt	\$ 14,000
Transfer fee (vehicle )	\$1,000
Refund if no opportunity for moose	\$3,000
Non-hunter fee	\$2,500
Additional trophy fees	
Second Moose (only in the North)	\$9,000



**Route:** One option is to fly to Kamchatka direct from Anchorage, Alaska by local Russian Airlines. There are no regular flights all year around but usually during summer-season charter flights once a week are available. Depart Anchorage in the morning on Monday with arrival in Petropavlovsk in the morning on Tuesday. Depart Petropavlovsk late afternoon on Monday, arrival in Anchorage on Monday in the morning.

\$5,000

Another option is travelling via Moscow with Aeroflot. Flight from Moscow to Kamchatka is 8 ½ hour non-stop flight. It is a daily flight. In Moscow/ Petropavlovsk you will be met by our crew and assisted through customs. You will then be transferred to the hunting area – see schedule below for different areas.

### Camp & Accommodation

+CITES Export Permit

The camps in the North Kamchatka are tents and in the Central Kamchatka are cabins. Camps are equipped with portable cots, stoves, generating sets. Expect a separate tent as a kitchen. Every camp has an interpreter and a cook, who can offer you home style meals. Hot water is always available for washing and shaving. Hip boots mandatory!

## Hunting

Bear

Hunts in September/October are done on foot, spotting and stalking, low profile jet boats on the river (North), calling and Central observing Area feeding areas.

In November/December the area is covered with snow. The hunter and the guide will travel great distance by skidoo looking for tracks of a large moose bull. Your guide drives a skidoo while you sit in the sledge behind it. It is very important to wear a very warm hunting outfit. Once the fresh tracks are cut, hunter will follow a moose on foot, snow shoes or skis.

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We recommend **TRAVEL WITH GUNS**, travel agency, out of San Antonio, Texas. Call Steve Turner at (210) 858-9833. His staff knows each airline and every detail of international regulations when it comes to transporting guns to a hunting destination.

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#### Schedule North Kamchatka

Day 1 Arrival in Moscow, flight to

Petropavlovsk

Day 2 Arrival in Petropavlovsk, check

into hotel

Day 3 Flight to Ossora – approx. 1 ½

hour, 1 hour helicopter flight to Tilichiki, helicopter transfer to the

hunting area – approx. 2 hours.

Day 4 - 11 8 days hunt

Day 12 Flight back to Ossora and

Petropavlovsk, overnight

Day 13 Flight to Moscow, depart for home



#### **Schedule Central Kamchatka**

Day 1 Arrival in Moscow, flight to Petropavlovsk

Day 2 Arrival in Petropavlovsk, transfer to hunting area: some areas are reachable by helicopter from

Petropavlovsk, other by helicopter from Esso (10 hr. car transfer from Petropavlovsk)

Day 3-10 8 days hunt

Day 11 Return to Petropavlovsk, overnight

Day 12 Flight to Moscow, depart for home

**Price Includes:** services of an experienced guide; accommodation and meals in the hunting camp; services of interpreter.

**Price Excludes:** Airline tickets (Moscow - Petropavlovsk and return: approximately: economy class \$ 1,000 or business class \$ 2,500. Price for airline tickets is the subject to be changed without special notes), formalities package per hunter \$ 400 (Invitation letter; Firearm permit; Hunting permit, State fee, Veterinary certificate; Meeting clients upon arrival in Moscow; Service of interpreter in Moscow); Regular flights from Petropavlovsk to Ossora and return \$700, helicopter flight Ossora to Tilichiki and return (for North) approx. \$500, Helicopter charter cost (if needs) US\$ 2.500,- per hour for Mi-8, hotel before and after the hunt; meals and alcoholic beverages in Moscow and Barnaul; alcoholic beverages in hunting camp; items of personal nature, helicopter and van's transfers, special food, cost of medications, immunizations, hospitalizations and services of doctors, charges for evacuation or rescue by ambulance, helicopter or airplane, and any other service or product that is not agreed or mentioned in this document.

Reservations, Payments & Permits: per person in U.S. Dollars only. Confirmation will be upon receipt of a 50% non-refundable deposit. Final payment is due 90 days prior to hunt starting date. Cancellation 90 to 61 days prior to hunt starting date, the full deposit is refunded less \$1,000 per hunting client handling fee. Cancellation 60 to 31 days prior to hunt starting date the full deposit is forfeited. Cancellation 30 days or less prior to hunt starting date, the total hunt cost is forfeited. You must also read, understand and accept by signing the <a href="Terms and Conditions">Terms and Conditions</a>, <a href="Release of Liability">Release of Liability</a> and the <a href="Hunting Contract">Hunting Contract</a>. Upon arrival in U.S with all animal parts or with any and all trophies, supply your completed <a href="USFW">USFW</a> Form 3-177 to authorities.

