

## **Moose Hunting in Central Kamchatka**

These moose are the largest antlered animal in the world originating from the Chukotka moose of north of Kamchatka Peninsula. Moose were not endemic to southern regions of Kamchatka prior to 1978 as the severe climate, deep snow and lack of vegetation on the mountain passes prevented migration to the south.

The regional hunting department relocated a group of 45 young moose from the Chukotka region to the Kamchatka River valley in central Kamchatka Peninsula. With the mild climate and abundant food source these animals soon flourished and over the next 20 years had multiplied to some 3,000 animals.





The annual harvest is controlled by the Kamchatka hunting department scientists and is set at only 150 animals per year with last season's harvest being only 130 animals 40 of these bulls. The average antler spread of a mature bull is 60 inches however each year bulls with a spread in excess of 70 inches are taken.

We can also offer hunts later in the season Nov/Dec when the snow is on the ground and the moose are more concentrated near the forests searching for food. At this time, we use snowmobiles and snowshoes to track mature bulls in the snow, you should be well prepared for extreme weather at this time however success is often higher on the late season hunts. Most of the larger trophy bulls are taken in the late season.



## **Hunting**

During the rutting season you will hunt on foot and use the moose call to bring bulls into shooting range. At this time salmon are still present in the rivers and streams so there is a possibility of encountering bears along the riverbank. Bears can be taken as an add on if the opportunity permits. Moose carcasses are also used as bait for bears.



## **Accommodation**

You will be staying in cabins with beds and heating if required and of course there is the customary Russian sauna for washing requirements. Home style meals are provided by the camp cook and there is an interpreter in camp also.



## Climate

During the fall season daytime temp is between 5 – 10 degrees Celsius and at night down to 0 to -5 degrees Celsius. During the late season hunts you can expect daytime temps of -10 to -15 degrees Celsius and at night -15 to -20 degrees Celsius



## Seasons

Moose season opens September 10<sup>th</sup> with rutting beginning around September 20<sup>th</sup>. Late season hunts commence on November 26<sup>th</sup> till December 18<sup>th</sup>.





## Getting there

Hunters traveling with firearms must transit through Moscow to clear their rifles through Russian customs with the assistance of the outfitter. Flights from Moscow and Petropavlovsk and return will be organised at the hunter's expense. Travel is also possible from Australia via Bangkok and Vladivostok.



## Prices

Fall hunt 1 x 1 includes 1 trophy moose	US\$16,000
Second moose ( <b>Not available now</b> ).	US\$8,000
Brown bear (depends on opportunity).	US\$6,500
CITES for bear	US\$300

Late season hunts 1 x 1 includes 1 trophy moose US\$15,000

Second moose (**Not available now**). US\$8,000

Lynx (depends on opportunity). US\$2,000

CITES for Lynx US\$ 300

**Please note late season hunts require helicopter transfers this price is US\$2,200 per hunter based on 6 hunters per flight. This can also depend on the US\$ x Rubel exchange rate.**











**Included in the cost.**

Rifle permit

Invitation and visa support

Transport to and from Petropavlovsk and Esso

1 x 1 guiding

Field preparation of trophies

Vet certificate and export documents

Accompanied by AHC staff during the whole trip

Accommodation and meals during the hunt



**Not included in the cost.**

Rifle hire if required US\$250.

Transfers from airports to Hotels in Moscow

Air fares (International and Domestic)

Accommodation before and after the hunt

Transport of trophies to Moscow and to final destination

Travel insurance and personal items

Alcoholic drinks in camp

Tips and gratitude's to your guides or camp staff (no obligation)



## Summary

Again, this hunt represents great value, similar hunts in Alaska are asking over \$20,000 and in some cases up to \$30,000 when transfers and licenses are added. Also, this hunt provides the opportunity to shoot a second moose if that once in a lifetime trophy presents itself.





