

David Denies
BIRD HUNTING

Home to hunters who expect perfection

PICA ZURO LODGE
CÓRDOBA, ARGENTINA





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Live like royalty in the dove hunter's kingdom

Upon arrival at Pica Zuro Lodge you will be immediately transported back in time. This stately 19th century compound is centered around the authentic Argentine-style Estancia which will become a “home away from home” for you during your stay, but do not be fooled by the historic appearance of the lodge, for at it’s heart lies a modern launch pad for dove hunters.

Our flagship dove hunting venue is perfectly positioned to reach hundreds of private access shooting locations within minutes. These hillsides and agricultural fields are home to millions of eared doves which fill the skies in spectacular numbers. At the lodge, you will be treated to a culinary adventure as well, our skilled chefs assure that meals are fit for a king, as they bring together cutting edge modern technique, with traditional Argentine flavors. From the moment you arrive, Pica Zuro’s staff, including guides and tenured, professional field assistants, see to every detail, so your focus remains down the rib of your gun.

WHY CHOOSE PICA ZURO LODGE?

- Operated by David Denies, the pioneer of dove shooting since 1984, Pica Zuro Lodge offers the ultimate venue for the traveling wing-shooter. For almost 40 years it has set the benchmark in dove shooting luxury.
- The facilities and amenities at Pica Zuro are second to none, offering access to our private game room, outdoor hot tub, lap pool, dry sauna, and massage room. This stylish refurbished 19th-century estancia boasts a grand atmosphere, with high ceilings, well-appointed spacious guest rooms, and marble-accented baths.
- Just an hour-and-a-half-hour drive from Córdoba International Airport, getting to Pica Zuro is easy. Most flights will have you landing at the airport in the morning and you will be at the lodge, hunting just after lunch.
- Ideal for groups of up to 12 guests, the lodge offers 5 twin and 5 single rooms, which can comfortably welcome couples, families, corporate parties, or a group of friends.
- More than 300,000 acres of land means that you will shoot a challenging mix of steep hills, sunflower fields, creeks beds, and sorghum acreage, so you can enjoy variety and quality hunting year-round. Ideally located for shorter drives to the best shooting grounds.
- Luxurious living, à la carte menu, open bar with imported spirits, and the best Argentine wines.
- More than just a “lunch”, our daily field experiences will be a high point of your stay. Traditional Argentina Asados, in safari-style tents and authentic thatch-roofed quinchos, assure a full day of hunting and no time lost driving to and from the lodge.
- Personalized service- from welcome drinks every day and cool towels in the field to turn down service at night, we have redefined the meaning of “service”.

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At Pica Zuro Lodge the focus of the program is the thoughtful pairing of luxurious hospitality with truly World Class wing shooting, to create the ultimate sporting holiday.



LOCATION

Pica Zuro Lodge is located in the province of Córdoba, in Central Argentina, 60 miles (100 km) north of the Córdoba City International Airport. The driving time from the airport to the lodge is about 1 hour and 30 minutes. Known as the “Heartland of Argentina“, the province of Córdoba boasts of its abundant natural resources and breathtaking landscapes. It is considered one of the most prosperous provinces in the country due to its thriving agricultural industry, especially in the production of soybeans and wheat. The province’s mild climate and optimal breeding conditions have also resulted in a significant population of doves, making Córdoba a world-renowned destination for dove-hunting enthusiasts.

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GETTING THERE

To get to Pica Zuro Lodge there are daily direct flights from many U.S. cities to Buenos Aires (Ezeiza Intl. Airport – EZE). From Ezeiza you might be able to connect into a direct flight to Córdoba (Pajas Blancas Airport – COR) or ground transfer to the domestic airport Jorge Newbery – AEP (40’ to 1 hr drive), and take a 1 hr flight to Córdoba.

Once at the lodge, you are conveniently close to terrific dove fields with drives averaging 45 – 60 minutes depending on the time of the year.

Hunters may also fly into Santiago, Chile with connecting flights to Córdoba city. That will allow you to make the most of your trip as you will be dove shooting the day of your arrival (depending on the different flight schedules).



FACILITIES AND SERVICES

When you arrive at the swinging gate outside Pica Zuro, you'll proceed up the winding drive and sense at once that the lodge has had time to settle and amass ambiance. Things look comfortable here, the palm trees frame the open air porches, as linen curtains sway in the gentle breeze. There's a feeling of old-world elegance that starts outdoors and extends throughout each and every room of the estancia.

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The lodge houses a large traditional dining room adjacent to a comfortable sitting room with a nearby bar. The recreation room offers a billiards table, with a sitting area and bar. There is also a gun cleaning room and 2 masseuse rooms. After the hunt you can also enjoy time in the swimming pool, spa with dry sauna and jacuzzi or just relax in the sitting area aside from one of our inviting fire pits.

Our kitchens come to life through the use of fresh, locally sourced meats and produce. By combining these elements, we create delicious flavors and varied textures that harbor hidden stories and package traditions on each plate. Dinner will be enjoyed in our beautifully designed dining room and each day you will enjoy an outdoor lunch experience, where chefs prepare every dish from scratch to be served at a minute's notice.





Pica Zuro offers well-appointed elegant rooms, with private bath.

- Capacity: 12 guns.
- Accommodations: 5 twin rooms and 5 single rooms, each with a private bathroom.
- Two outdoor fire pits, which offer the perfect spot for afternoon and evening relaxation.
- Wi-Fi Internet access, Satellite telephone, and satellite TV.
- A gourmet dining experience each day, with Argentina's famed beef and fine wines, traditional Asados, fresh-baked bread, and delicious desserts.



Recover after a long day of shooting with a relaxing massage.

- Maid and laundry service.
- The gift shop offers local artwork and crafts, logo wear, and accessories.
- Gun rental, with a selection of fine over and under and semiautomatic shotguns, from Beretta, Benelli, Browning & others.
- Comfortable Mercedes Benz Vans.
- Historical tours, shopping trips, and horseback riding (optional).



A top-notch team of experienced national and international chefs, trained in both classic and avant-garde culinary techniques will prepare your meals, with an artisan's touch.

THE HUNTING

For nearly 40 years, Córdoba has been considered the dove shooting capital of the world, and our lodges have been at the forefront of that experience. With millions of doves residing within a 150-mile radius of the lodge, we can easily access a wide range of shooting fields, with short scenic drives through the area's idyllic countryside.

Hunters can experience a wide variety of shooting scenarios throughout the year. The gorgeous, brushy hillside roosting and feeding areas offer great variety, as you can take positions down in valleys, from aside riverbeds, and on the peaks and points of the hills. During the fall harvest seasons, hunters might find themselves shooting along agricultural fields of sorghum, corn, and sunflowers. While each location offers its own special scenarios and shooting opportunities, all offer incredible numbers of fast-flying doves.



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One of the most common questions we are asked, in regard to the shooting is “*What Happens to the Birds?*”. Each day our lodges donate hundreds of pounds of processed dove meat to Mission Esperanza Foundation. We feed 800 children per day and have already built 3 community centers with our donations and those of our guests.

DAILY ITINERARY

Each morning, guests will be woken up about an hour before departure time. A delicious breakfast will be served, offering a variety of made-to-order options such as waffles and Eggs Benedict.

After breakfast, hunters will leave the lodge around 8:30 – 9:00 am. The driving time to the fields can vary significantly depending on the location of the doves and other environmental factors, but it usually ranges from 20 to 90 minutes approx., with a daily average of 45 minutes. Upon arrival at the field, hunters will be greeted by a field assistant who will guide them to their shooting positions. The head guide will also be available to provide assistance or tips if desired.

The morning shoot will take place until noon, followed by a fantastic Asado lunch served in a comfortable tent or hand-made shelter, where you will enjoy Argentina's wonderful beef and superb wines. After lunch and a short siesta, the afternoon session begins at around 2 – 2:30. The shooting will continue until approx. 5:00 pm, but there is no strict quitting time; it depends on the shooters' fatigue and discretion.

After the shooting day has come to an end, you will return to the lodge, where you will be met with cocktails & appetizers, followed by a delicious dinner and time to relax.



You'll be treated to an incredible Asado-style lunch, served in the shade of a comfortable safari tent, featuring Argentina's world renowned beef and superb wines.

SEASONS BY SPECIES

ARGENTINA, CHILE & URUGUAY

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SEA-RUN BROWN TROUT	• •	• •	• •									•
DORADO	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •
BROWN & RAINBOW TROUT	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •						• •	• •
DOVES	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •
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PERDÍZ					• •	• •	• •					
PIGEON				•	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•		
WILD BLACK BUCK					• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•
AXIS DEER					• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•
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BAHAMAS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
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MEXICO

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