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Hunting ◊ Photographic ◊ Safaris

We have lived in the best time and seen the wonders of wildlife, and belong to a brotherhood the members of which have memories that cannot be matched (Sir Alfred Pease).

And what good times the 2006 safari season has provided. We have been fortunate in terms of hunting experiences as well as in extending our circle of hunting friends and acquaintances from around our Global Village.

When so many things in this World seem uncertain, there is one thing that you can count on - that Paul Phelan Safaris offers the true African hunting experience - hunting Africa on foot. I am proud to report that we have maintained our 100% walk and stalk record of quality plains game and big five trophies in some of the most exciting and rewarding concessions in Southern Africa.

In 2006 we were afforded the opportunity to pursue some of the most exquisite trophies, stay in the luxury of the most enchanting safari camps, and enjoy a wide range of African hospitality and cuisine. A good safari is like a good wine - for the experience to last it must be savoured to the last drop! From captivating canvas and open fire experiences in the vast expanses of Zimbabwe, to thatch and luxury in the diverse surrounds of KwaZulu-Natal and Mpumalanga in South Africa. We have enjoyed base camps that have offered us the opportunity to venture out to stalk and hunt the full range of Southern African trophies.

This past year was all about sharing and exchanging hunting experiences with young and old, women and men. Our youngest client this year was young Michael Ferguson, hunting with his godfather Dennis Darryl, from Tyler, Texas, who bagged his first Blesbuck. Well done Michael! We have also had the pleasure of hosting a number of hunters who have had as much to share as to learn - what a privilege!

The trophies have been excellent as ever, from the bushveld species of Buffalo to Impala; the forest species of Nyala to Red Duiker; and the arid area species of Eland to Springbuck. Trophy quality is consistently good, as is the holistic safari experience of ethical hunting. Imagine settling down in the shade of a Mopani tree in the heat of the day for a snooze, whilst the Buffalo lie up and rest in the recently burned surrounds, only 80 meters away. This is an experience to be lived, especially as we took a 43-inch daggaboy from the herd of 200 when they moved out.

We have experienced some of the most spectacular hunting incidents as we have climatic conditions! We endured the challenges of hot and humid stalks and have been surprised by the thrill of being caught out in wild African thunderstorms and hail. But they have all ended the same way as memorable hunting experiences.

The changes in the Global environment have been as much social as physical. Despite the International news headlines being littered with stories of political, economic and social challenges in Southern Africa, we have continued to offer safe and relaxing safari and holiday experiences for all those who have joined us. To this, one must add that there is always a positive spin-off to the local communities as a result of a healthy safari business. Through your support, the African hunting industry will continue to be managed properly and survive, so that we can leave this richness as a legacy for generations to come.

Paul Phelan Safaris outfits to Botswana, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Tanzania, and the Central African Republic. We are with you from start to finish, ensuring an unequalled service and experience.

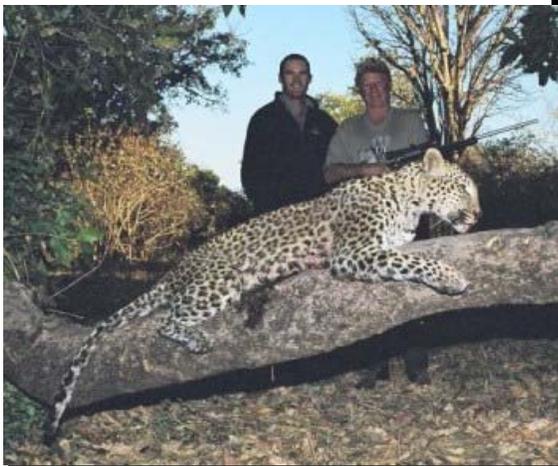
Remember - Life without adventure is indeed no life at all (Unknown)
- We look forward to sharing our adventures with you!

Hunt with Africa's Adventurers



The 2006 Buffalo season was exceptional and was highlighted by Dieter's Zimbabwean (Matetsi) dagga boy taken with his 375 Holland & Holland. A number of other superb dagga boys were taken, including the two photographed above:

- Dennis Darryl took a prize Zululand (South Africa) Buffalo with his 416 Rem Mag
- Kenny Sedlak and Doug Anton who both took 2 Buffalo each in Zimbabwe (the Dande) using 375 Holland & Holland (H&H)



Zimbabwe rewarded us with two great Leopard taken in the Dande and Save Conservancy - Doug Anton (with Ryan Milwarde) taken with a 375 H&H, and Ken Michael's taken with 30 06 Winchester.

Kenny Sedlak took an exceptional Hyaena at first light with a custom made 375 H&H.



We have been rewarded with a great variety of plains game trophies this year, and the following photos are just a taste of what we achieved:

- Young Michael Ferguson and his Blesbuck
- Pam Metcalf with a beautiful Springbuck



- Scott Barnes with a magnificent Hartebeest
- Ken Michael with an impressive Limpopo Bushbuck

- Helga Grabner and her record Greater Kudu
- Brian Metcalf and a beautiful Waterbuck



- Chuck Bedsole and his elusive Nyala
- Kenny Sedlak rewarded with a lovely Zebra
- Jimmy Caltabietta with a stunning Warthog (bottom) on his 'TR' safari

My thanks go to old and new friends who shared the ultimate adventure with me this year, and to those who have assisted me. Special recognition again goes to Coenraad Vermaak Safaris, and to the concessionaires who hosted us this season. I wish you a wonderful Festive Season and New Year, and look forward to sharing the hunting fields with you in 2007.

