



# ANATOLIAN RED STAG IN TURKEY



Few hunters realise that today Turkey has a really good population of red deer, and that the chance of a really good trophy is also very high.









Accommodation in a house



#### Overview

The Anatolian red deer (Cervus elaphus anatolica) has both a very large body and trophy size. A good stag typically has a body weight of between 250 and 300kg and the trophies can reach a size of between 8 and 13 kg, with a few achieving a weight as much as 15kg. Realistically you can expect a trophy weight of between 9 - 11 kg.

In prehistoric times the red stag was symbolic of strength to the Hittite people of Anatolia. Unfortunately the stags were nearly hunted to extinction. Because of this strict rules were put in place to help ensure the survival of this wonderful game animal. Now the population is big enough to sustain a limited amount of hunting, that licenses are now being issued again makes this tour even more attractive!

Our Turkish partners can offer hunting for Anatolian red stags close to the Black Sea north of Ankara, in the Marmara region, in central Anatolia and in the Taurus mountains.

Here there are excellent populations of red deer and a great chance of bagging a really fine trophy.

The best period for hunting is during the rutting season: 20th September - 15th October.

The form of hunting is primarily stalking, but occasionally you might lie in wait in a strategically good position.

Hunters fly to Istanbul and then take a domestic flight. You

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Impressive trophies with an expected trophy weight of 9-11 kg.
- Excellent population of deer in these districts
- · Good chance of a really big trophy
- · Possibility of combining with boar hunting



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will then be met at the airport and driven to the hunting district. Accommodation will be in a local hotel of a good standard and half board is included in the price of the package.

If you are interested it is possible to combine stag hunting with hunting for wild boars, and here the chance of shooting a really fine "Keiler" are also very good









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Often when hunting in Turkey you will be relatively far away from major towns, which is where you will only, as is generally the case in Turkey, find hotels of an international standard. Therefore you will often stay is a pension or a small hotel close to the hunting district. They will either be situated in a small town or out in the countryside. Do not expect luxury accommodation, but the accommodation is clean and tidy and with a private bathroom and toilet. During your hunt accommodation on a half board basis is included. Breakfast and dinner will be taken in your hotel. Meals will typically be traditional Turkish dishes, and naturally, no pork will be served while you are in Turkey.

Prices are based on accommodation in a shared double room so if, for whatever reason, you sleep in a single room, a single room supplement will be charged.









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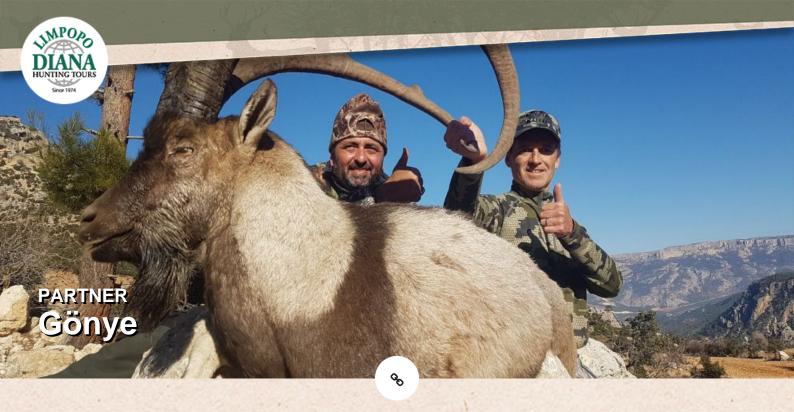


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Our partner in Turkey, Gönye Hunting Activities is one of the very biggest and most important players in the Turkish hunting market. They have their headquarters in the city of Konya in central Turkey, and in 2017 will be celebrating their 20 year jubilee. Over this period they have built up a large, professional organization with good hunting guides, interpreters, drivers etc. We have been working with Gönye since 2008. Generally their hunting guides are very experienced and have a thorough knowledge of the districts they are hunting in. Some of them speak a little English or German, but you should not expect too much of your guide when it comes to language skills.

When it comes to hunting for Anatolian wild boar Gönye can offer hunting over an impressive total of circa 3 million hectares in 15 different regions of Turkey, where they can arrange both individual hunts and driven hunts. They can also offer a further 11 different districts in the Taurus Mountains where you can hunt for the very attractive bezoar ibex. On top of this they can offer hunting for the rare Konya sheep, Anatolian roebuck and red stag, Anatolian gazelle and Anatolian chamois. When hunting in Turkey guiding is more or less always 1:1, with the exception of driven

hunts.

Generally it has to be said that when you hunt in Turkey you will be met by great friendliness and hospitality from your Turkish hosts, but it is also important that you are prepared to meet a very different culture and altitude to life than you might be used to.







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# HUNTING AREA Hunting Area - Anatolian Red Stag in Turkey

Red deer are only present in certain parts of Turkey, the primary hunting districts can be found in the region around the Black Sea, the Taurus Mountains, central Anatolia and the Marmara region.

Generally these are very hill, forest clad districts, with a mix of oak- and conifer forests, clearings, meadows and very thick scrub. This is a really good habitat for both red deer and wild boar. The districts vary in size, but generally are many thousands of hectares in size. Normally hunting takes place at an altitude of 800 - 1,600m above sea level.

In 1937 the red deer was given complete protection in Turkey, and it was only as recently as 2004 that this level of protection was lifted in the districts around Afyon, Eskisehir and Karabük, and a limited number of licenses were made available. It is possible that the Turkish ministry responsible for game and wildlife will open up more districts over the next few years.

As in other parts of Europe hunting takes place as early morning and evening stalking sessions. Hunting can consist of stalking or lying in wait and guiding here is always 1:1. Even though you can hunt roebuck in Turkey from 1st May to 31st October, we recommend you visit either in May or during the rutting season, which takes place in the last half of July and the first half of August.

In May daytime temperatures are around 20-25? while in the summer they are normally 30-35?.

Please do not expect too much of your guides when it comes to their language skills, if they do not speak either a little English or German, there will be an interpreter where you are staying, and when out hunting you will rarely encounter any communication problems.









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# Price and info on your tour

Specification of price

**Prices** 

Description

**Possible Lodging Dates** 

Price from (per. person)

Price per hunter

15. September 2025 - 9. October 2025

\$11,495.00

# The price includes

- 5 days guided hunting 1:1
- · Trophy fees for one stag up to 8 kg
- · 6 days accommodation with half board
- Return transfers between domestic airport hunting district
- All transport during the hunt
- · All hunting licenses and related fees

# The price does not include

- · Travel and cancellation insurance
- Any extra hotel accommodation before or after the hunt
- · Single room supplement USD 48,- per night
- Veterinarian certificate USD 115,-
- · Skinning USD 300,-
- · Shipment of trophy home
- EU-public liability insurance USD 12.-
- Gratuities
- Drinks





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Trophy weight	Fee
8,01 kg - 9 kg	\$2,540
9,01 kg - 10 kg	\$3,460
10,01 kg - 11kg	\$4,650
11,01 kg - 12 kg	\$6,350
12,01 kg -	\$8,650

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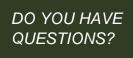




Wild Boar (Europe)



Red Deer/Red Stag (Europe)





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### **Limpopo & Diana Hunting Tours**

Limpopo & Diana Hunting Tours Limpopo Travel and Diana Hunting Tours – which today are one and the same company - are built on more than four decades of experience in the hunting travel industry. Diana Hunting tours was founded in Svendborg back in 1974 by the internationally known figure in the hunting tour industry, Jan Krossteig, who today remains shareholder and chairman of the concern.

Over the years the company has grown into the world's largest hunting travel office, with hunting partners in more than 40 counties and customers from around the world. This has only been possible because of the strength of our customers faith in our company, our partners and the service we provide. We take great pride in the fact that a significant number of our customers are "regulars" you not only travel with us frequently, but also bring with then new customers into our business.

The hunting travel market has never been as chaotic as it is at present. There have always been a mass of smalland medium sized agencies trading on the market, but in recent years the rise of the internet has really opened up the market for direct booking and packages sold by "agents" of more or less transparent character and by agencies based abroad.

A large number of hunters have had their fingers burnt booking "cheap" packages, which rarely proceed as promised, Generally it is only when things go wrong that the unfortunate hunter who bought the tour first realises what the difference between a good Danish travel agency with all the security that entails -and a questionable foreign seller, really is.

What we offer our customers is a rather unique level of security. Our experienced staff really know our destinations and can provide highly qualified advice tailored to the customer's individual requirements. If you book your hunting tour through us you also have a guarantee against the unlikely event of bankruptcy through the Danish Travel Guarantee Fund. Our long standing membership of the Danish Travel Agency Association is also a guarantee for professional service throughout all the proceedings that a hunting tour entails - also in the event of something not going quite as planned. As one of our customers you can expect around the clock support, via our emergency hotline, in the event of anything at all going wrong.

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