

L&C HUNTS

Outfitter and Guide Service

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The goal at L&C Hunts is to make your "Once-In-A-Lifetime" Oryx Tag a "Once-In-A-Lifetime" experience. Some of our guides work on the missile range. They know their way around and know the latest location of big Oryx. Over the past five years, we have always been able to put our hunters on a shootable Oryx. We have taken top bull and top cow over that time period, in addition to taking the North American Muzzleloader world record Oryx. Our overall success rate has been over 90%. We assist you in the entire process from beginning to end. We will assist with the necessary paperwork, field transportation, field dressing, meat recovery, caping and delivery to a local taxidermist if desired. We all carry ATV's in our trucks to ensure your Oryx gets out the gate whole for additional pictures. Call or email anytime for rates, availability, and references. Visit lchunts.com and look at the gallery to see some of the Oryx we have taken; also check out the taxidermy and meat processor page. The processor and taxidermists listed on our website will be at the gate for all the hunts.

HOW IT WORKS AND WHAT TO EXPECT

Congratulations on drawing a New Mexico Oryx tag. Soon you should receive a package from the White Sands Missile Range hunt coordinator. In the package will be instructions to send in your \$150.00 access fee; don't forget to send it in and keep the receipt.

Most of the paperwork will be filled out on the first day of the hunt but double check your package and instructions. Everyone is required to sign a "hold harmless" form protecting the Missile Range from being sued. The rest of the paperwork is vehicle, guns, and guests. On the first day you will have to be at the gate early and patience is required. All hunters and their guests have to go through a vehicle inspection, registration, proof of insurance, and possibly a full blown get out and let them search the vehicle. Next everyone will be sent to an area for a briefing. First will be the Hunt Coordinator brief on where you can and can't go, boundaries, buffer zones, and range safety. Next will be NM Game and Fish briefing on how far off the road you must be to shoot, what is a road, what isn't, and again safety. After the briefings are over all hunters and their guests all head out at the same time (Goat Rope); soon everyone starts to get spread out and the fun begins.

If you choose to hunt with an outfitter (hopefully L&C Hunts), the Missile Range requires a contract. The contract has to be done in advance and they must have a copy on file. If you choose to hunt with us we will be in contact with the hunt coordinator to make sure that all the paperwork is done and they have everything on file, the last thing you want to happen is to be turned away at the gate because a "t" wasn't crossed or an "i" not dotted. If you have questions, and we don't already know the answer, we will contact the hunt coordinator and get your answer.

Since some of our L&C Hunts guides work on the Missile Range, we see where the Oryx are and get to field judge them daily. If you have never hunted Oryx, even a juvenile can look big, it is our job to put you on an Oryx worthy of your wall. Oryx are tough animals to bring down so keep shooting until they are on the ground. We've seen Oryx take a lot of lead and keep on going; shot placement is critical. Spend some time at the rifle range and be prepared to shoot at 200+ yards.

After your trophy is on the ground, you can take some pictures, we will field dress it, load it whole and get it off the range. Once more photos are taken we will get it skinned, caped, and quartered for you or you can have the expert taxidermist do it. There will also be some local butchers set up at the gate that will process your meat if you so desire.

If you have any questions please feel free to call or email anytime.

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