



Dear friends,

2023 season has been a very big year from CMS with our new additional areas been Sengwa and Gokwe.

The year has been very busy indeed and some great trophies having been shot. On a concerning note probably due to the very thick bush we have had a number of very close calls from both buffalo and elephant. Myles took a knock but thankfully lives to tell the tale!

BUFFALO

The buffalo hunting has been excellent and in particular Dande where we have taken excellent old bulls. Nyakasanga as always has also produced some outstanding dugga boys.

Sengwa buff hunting has been harder then expected. There are tons of buffalo in this stunning area however it has taken us a few hunts to work out the hot spots! All our clients have ended up taking their buff there complimented with exceptional plains game. With the work of Carbon Green we feel that Sengwa like Nyakasanga will be the top safari area in Zim before long and CMS is proud to be associated with Carbon Green and share the same dream.



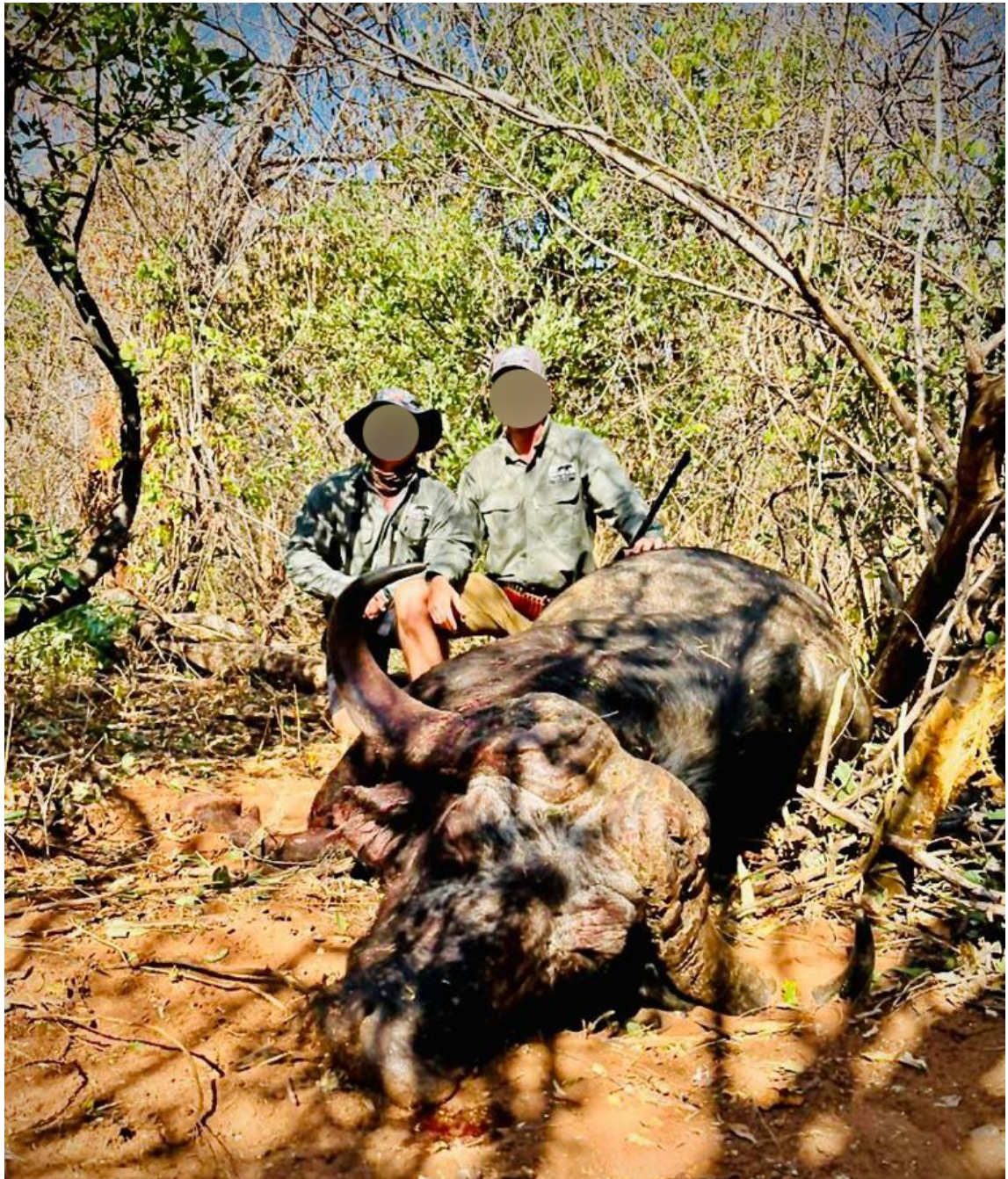


















NON-TROPHY ELE BULLS

We also did our two non-trophy ele bulls in Amadundamela very early this year. These are what I call “pure hunts” as one looks for old non trophy bulls and the focus of the hunt apart from looking for the oldest bulls you can find is simply appreciating the love of hunting these magnificent animals!



TROPHY BULLS

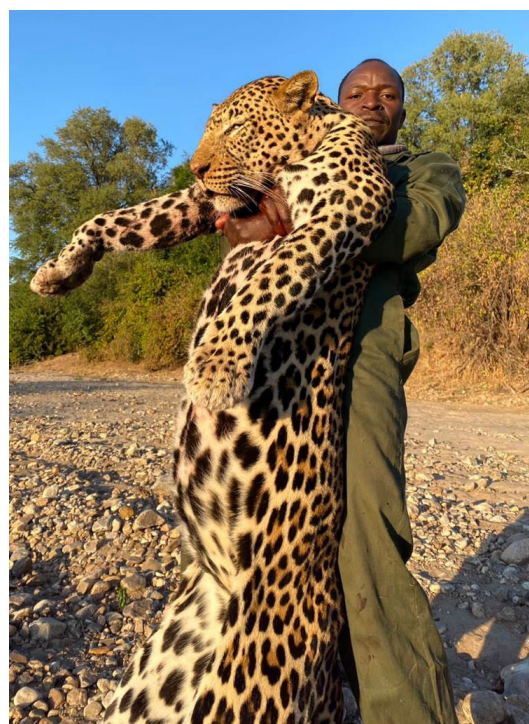
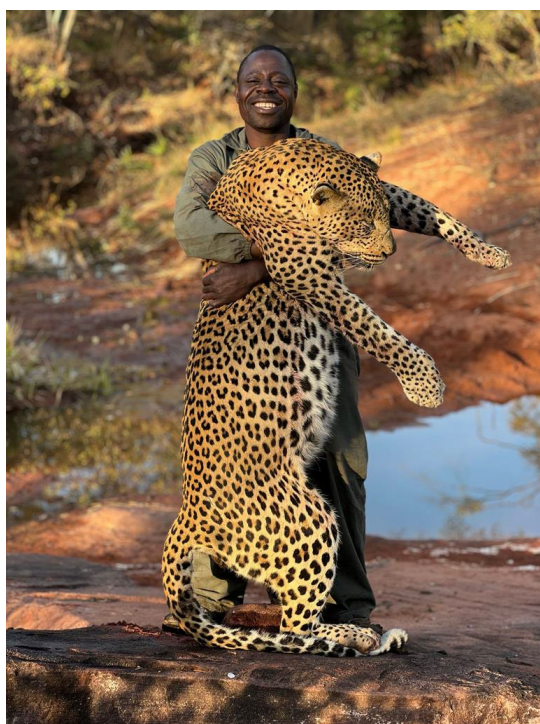
We have had a relatively slow start on ele bulls this season and have only done two bulls. One was in Nyaksanga which was a quality early season hunt. Allan hunted the other and that was up in Nthudhla and they shot a beautiful bull. We are looking forward to several trophy bulls in the up and coming few months.



LEOPARD

The amount of leopard in our areas is astounding. We have done six leopard hunts to date. On all the hunts we got excellent cats on baits early on in the hunt.

However, having said that, it has been a little tough this year getting these illusive cats coming to bait in day light hours! As a result I failed on a leopard hunt, which is my first in my 25 year career. Luckily my client had shot a monster previously with us! One of Deans clients unfortunately wounded a monster leopard that they lost despite tracking it for a whole day. Below are the 4 cats we have shot so far! Our other leopard hunts were huge successes and we are still on course for a 90% success rate!

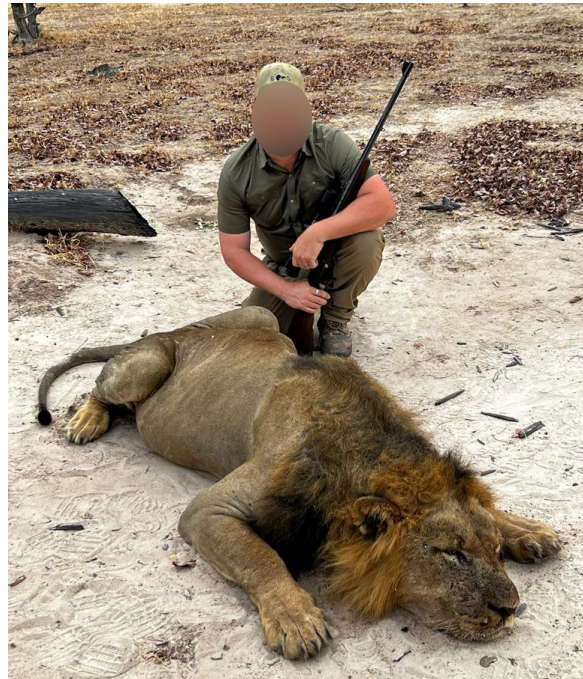




LION

I have done one lion in Nyakasanga so far. I have never had the privilege of seeing so many male lions on a hunt and having so much choice. We saw over 20 male lions and turned down some outstanding lions as we were focused on a very old lion that we had seen early on the hunt. We did end up been successful and my client came away with an amazing old trophy lion- the best in my career to date! We are looking forward to our Dande lion hunts and our remaining lion in Nyakasanga!!





CROCS, HIPPO, PLAINS GAME AND FISHING!!

Sengwa has to rate as the best unfenced plains game hunting in Zim within a dangerous game area. The few hunts we have done there have been simply outstanding! Nyakasanga and Dande have also produced some great plains game and super croc and hippo hunting not to mention exciting tiger fishing on the mighty Zambezi!!!















ROAN

CMS gets, as far as we know, one of the only two Southern Roan tags in Zimbabwe a year. This is our 2nd year hunting these beautiful animals and we are 100% successful on them despite the fact that Allan and Keith who have been the PH's on these hunts saying that they are the hardest plains game animal to hunt! We still have our 2024 tag open!



DAPU - As many of you know, with the kind help of some individuals and organisations CMS funds and runs DAPU, The Dande anti-poaching unit. DAPU as its name implies operates in the Dande - as we speak we have 9 meat poachers in the dock awaiting hopefully sentencing! DAPU has had a very busy year so far visit: www.dapuzim.com to donate!

On another note, we have relaunched our website www.cmsafaris.com as we felt that it was not so user friendly. We would appreciate if you looked at it and emailed us any constructive criticisms you may have. You will notice a few specials available for this year which are very good deals and we hope someone may well take advantage of this!!!

We are looking forward to the second half of the season
Cheers Buzz, Myles and the whole CMS team.