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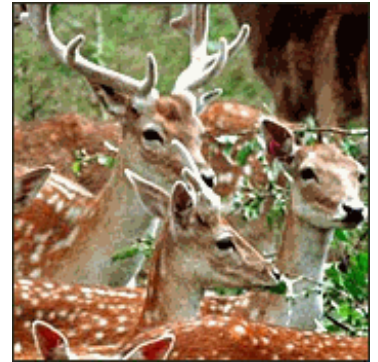


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### **Ban Canned Hunting in New York State**



A canned hunt takes place on a fenced piece of private property where a hunter can pay a fee to shoot a captive animal. The animal targets are confined to a fenced-in area and/or tethered to prevent escape or shot at while caged



The animals are raised from birth

to be hunted (farmed) or are obtained from zoos and circuses selling their "surplus" animals either directly to canned hunting preserves or to middlemen and dealers. The animals are frequently unafraid of human contact after years in captivity. Canned hunt ranches provide clients a guaranteed trophy by creating conditions where escape is impossible for the animal.

Canned hunt participants are not regulated in any way -- they hunt without licenses required of other hunters

Canned hunt target animals sustain numerous bullet wounds, arrow shots or knife stabbings. They can be strangled, stomped, attacked by hunting dogs and otherwise abused. They suffer tremendously before succumbing to the hunters' attacks.

#### **EXAMPLE OF A CANNED HUNT PRICE LIST**

**(Old Stone Fence Hunting Adventures in Rensselaer Falls, NY)**

- Elk \$1,500 - \$5,500
- Whitetail Deer \$1,500 - \$4,500
- Red Stag \$1,500 - \$3,500
- European Wild Boar \$350 - \$650
- Fallow Deer \$500 - \$1,500
- Silka Deer \$500 - \$1,200
- Buffalo \$1,600 - \$2,600
- Other species available upon request.

#### **CANNED HUNTS: WIDELY CONDEMNED**

Canned hunts are banned in 14 states, including California, Delaware, Georgia, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, North Carolina, Oregon, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming. Many hunters oppose canned hunts. In Beyond Fair Chase, a book used in hunter-education courses in many states, hunter Jim Posewitz, a 32-year veteran of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, states: "There are some activities that are clearly unfair as well as unethical. At the top of the list is shooting captive or domesticated big game animals in commercial killing areas where a person with a gun is guaranteed an animal to shoot. These shooting grounds are alien to any consideration of ethical hunting.

**Legislation to ban canned hunts has been introduced in the Senate as S03223 by Senator Kruger and the Assembly as A06788 by Assemblymember Glick.**

**The League of Humane Voters strongly supports these bills and encourages all Senators and Assembly members to work towards their passage into law.**