

Westfalia Jagdreisen



Cougar hunting in Canada B.C. 2024
Region: Oliver



Size and description of the hunting area:

In the south of British Columbia/Canada lies the huge hunting area of our organiser. The terrain has the character of low mountain ranges. The best way to reach the hunting area is via Vancouver with an onward flight to Penticton. Here you will be welcomed by the organiser and driven to the hunting area. The puma (*puma concolor*) is a species of cat in North and South America. Although it is taxonomically categorised as a small cat, it is nevertheless one of the largest living cat species. With a head/torso length of around 140 cm, a shoulder height of around 70 cm and a live weight of around 100 kg in cubs, it is in no way inferior in size to an African leopard.

In general, it can be said that the physically weakest pumas are found in the equatorial region. The further north the pumas live, the stronger they become. The puma's coat is dense, short-haired and usually yellowish to silver-grey in colour. They have 5 claws (retractable) on the front legs and four on the hind legs. The jumping power of the puma is enormous. Jumps from a standing position (4 metres high and 10 metres wide) have often been observed and documented. Pumas are very secretive and shy away from humans. They are adaptable cats that can be found in almost all habitats in North, Central and South America. Hunting takes place exclusively in the winter months from November to February. These are snow-sure

months, because snow is essential for a successful hunt. As the days are very short, the local professional hunters have to come across a fresh track as early as possible. This is used to judge whether the animal is a cow or a cat, strong or weak. If it is a strong, shootable cougar, specially trained dogs (blue ticks) are set on the scent. These dogs harass the cat, but must not come within range of its claws. Depending on the terrain and the teamwork of the pack of dogs, pumas will rear up after a more or less long distance. Much depends on what experience the cougar has had. If it knows a pack of dogs, it will stay on the ground for a long time and try to escape the dogs. If it is a younger, inexperienced specimen, it is more likely to mount up. But there is no rule without exception. When hunting puma, it is helpful for the guest hunter to be in good physical condition, because you have to chase after the dog, no matter what. A mounted puma is a marvellous sight. It is a fair chase, because often enough the puma escapes its pursuers. We have been working with one of the most reputable outfitters in Canada B.C. for many years and have had the very best success on cougar. Hunting the puma can be combined with hunting the bobcat and lynx.

Worth knowing:

Puma hunts require long and meticulous preparation,

as this shy big cat is not easy to hunt. Only a few specialists with dogs understand the fine art of this hunt. Please prepare yourself for such a hunt. It requires a good level of fitness and stamina. Depending on the snow conditions and terrain, snowmobiles and off-road vehicles are used.



Arrangement Pumajagd

8 Travel days • 6 Hunting days • Accommodation and catering • Hunting organisation • all transport during the hunt • Hunting guide • Field preparation of the trophies • Canadian VAT and shooting of a cougar

per Hunter	US\$	13.500,00
+ Handling	US\$	<u>250,00</u>
	US\$	13.750,00

Licences and tags and shooting fees

• Canad. Hunting licence and tag (Puma)	US\$ 430,00
• Royalty Fee (only payable after the kill) Puma	US\$ 150,00
• Hunters Preservation Fund	US\$ 250,00
• US\$ Lizenz Bobcat 40,00 US\$ • Lizenz Luchs 40,00 US\$	
• Bobcat	US\$ 6.500,00
• Lynx	US\$ 6.500,00
• Wolf	US\$ 3.000,00

Not included in the hunting costs:

• Arrival by plane to Pentiction from approx	€	950,00
• Transfer Pentiction - Jagdgebiet h/z	US\$	300,00
• Gratuities, personal expenses, trophy shipping, Canadian VAT (5%) on tags and royalty fees		
• Non-hunting accompanying person	US\$	2.000,00

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