

## Public forests



## Some facts

**Sierra Morena Hunting Area:** 1,532,000 hectares

**Number of hunting grounds:** 10

**Surface area:** 7,469 ha in Seville, 9,633 ha in Cordoba and 23,672 ha in Jaen

**Species:** deer, wild boar, fallow deer and mouflon

### More information

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*The Iberian Mediterranean forests, epitomised in Sierra Morena, have been home to exceptional game populations since time immemorial, where after many centuries the most traditional method of hunting in groups is still used: the hunt.*

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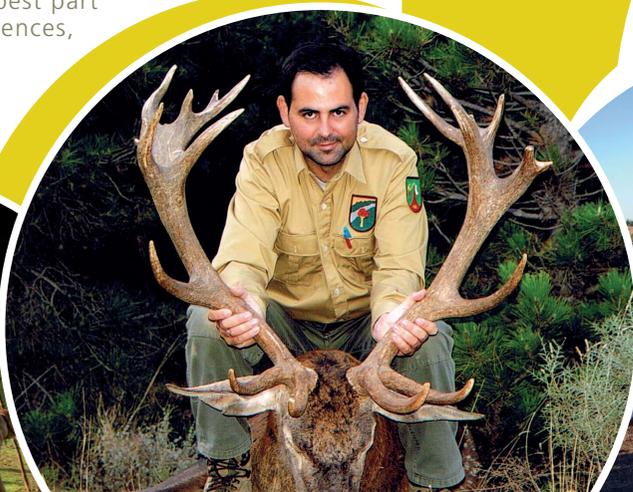
## The hunt

The *montería* is one of the most exciting forms, where personal contact and camaraderie merge with wildlife, nature in the most primitive sense and passion for hunting, with ancient rituals being carried out that have changed very little in centuries.

An energy-packed breakfast based on *migas* (sauteed breadcrumbs with bacon) and fried eggs, the meeting of old friends and a thrilling draw of lots energise the hunter, maintained by the constant barking of dogs that are also excited in their transport cages.

Once in situ, the dawn mists disappear to show the colours of the Mediterranean forest at its best. The tension is greatest when the sound of the conch shell horn guiding the game dogs approaches and, in the solitude of the post, the game are made available with the opportunity to choose the specimen to kill, and the certainty that the dogs will find its trail.

Back to the feat of meats and after a good meal, the best part of hunting for many starts: recounting personal experiences, listening to others, and checking the results recorded in the memory of an unforgettable day...



## To enjoy...

### Landscape

In Sierra Morena the endless meadows alternate with dense patches of scrub that provide shelter to wildlife, on a terrain with a slightly mountainous morphology, as befits a mountain range that is very ancient geologically. Settlements are perfectly integrated into the mountain landscape, and the farms, centres making use of the mountain resources, are dispersed throughout it.

### Culture

There are numerous archaeological remains and examples of rock art testifying the longstanding human presence, which along with the relative isolation of settlements means current cultural wealth and traditions vary greatly.

### Cuisine

Without a doubt Iberian-pig related products are the most characteristic of these lands, but the cuisine is rich and varied, always based around the Mediterranean diet. In autumn, dishes combining game with mushrooms are unbeatable.

