## South Nahanni Outfitters

South Nahanni Outfitters stands for ancient wilderness hunts wrapped in modern efficiency in the lonely Mackenzie Mountains of Canada's Northwest Territories. Amid grey northern mountains we trophy-hunt for Dall and Fannin Sheep, Alaska-Yukon Moose, Mountain Caribou, Mountain Goat, Bears, Wolves and Wolverines. Our **backpack hunts** are supported by helicopter transportation, which allows for a new dimension in game management, usage of entire area without over-harvest of easily accessible populations,

resulting in continuous good trophy qualities.

### The Area

South Nahanni is situated in the southwestern part of the Northwest Territories, Canada, rising from the lowlands of the Mackenzie River to the peaks of the Ragged Range on the Yukon border. One of eight concessions in the Mackenzie Mountains it is the largest, ranging over **12.000 sq mi**, a wilderness of open spaces so vast it swallows Yellowstone three times and more. Endless topography unrolls itself under the wings of the bushplane, a mosaic of perfect habitats, allowing for excellent hunts, sheep, moose, goat, caribou, wolves, a land untouched, unknown by most.

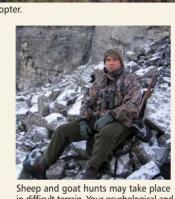


### The Hunt

How can you hunt such vastness successfully, tracts of unexplored ranges devoid of humans and lightly sprinkled with game? By becoming a modern nomad who takes advantage of a careful combination of bush plane, helicopter, lightweight backpacking gear, satellite phone communication and hiking, climbing feet. Moose hunters might take to the

in difficult terrain. Your psychological and physical fitness are your biggest allies.

rivers and lakes by **boat**, or go spotting and stalking – backpacking style. And caribou hunters might not even leave the comforts of main camp, taking advantage of feet and four-wheeler. All hunts are spot and stalk, and certainly Fair Chase.





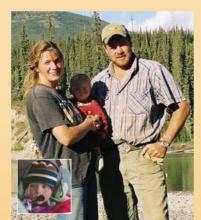
luring the rut, making use of boats



Your typical fly camp.

# ..to caribou valleys and sheep mountains.





Werner, Anika and Lynette Aschbacher are the sole owners and operators of



we love to hunt, love the wilderness, the game, flying bush planes and because we enjoy the challenges of running our very own business. It is something we wish to continue for a long time to come and t is something we would love o share with you.

**South Nahanni Outfitters** 

Aschbacher and his wife Sunny.

experience and momentum in

as Chile, Europe and Australia.

spent in the Canadian north, in

rendering us capable of making

everyone feel at home by understanding their specific needs.

> Outfitting to us is a way of life, one that we cherish because



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# South Nahanni OUTFITTERS LTD.

Hunt Report 2005



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# 2005 Hunt Report

We had a wonderful summer and are very pleased to share our season's results with you. Every single hunter went home happy and to us this just says it all. This pleasure was derived from the overall experience, the game viewed and hunted, the awe inspiring beauty of the land, the interaction of hunters and guides with the feeling that the guiding was done in a professional, knowledgeable manner in true hunting zest, the flawlessness of the overall organization, and last but not least the trophies taken. Everyone was able to harvest mature trophy game and that again at a success rate of 100% on booked species.

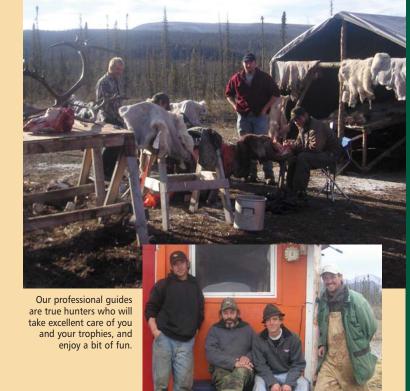
All **sheep** taken were more than full curl rams, quite a few of these heavily broomed and genuine trophies. The age average with its 10 years was very pleasing and we were excited to see three out of fifteen rams getting into the awards of the Boone & Crockett record book plus a fourth ram that was entered into the SCI book. Several **sheep hunters** were able to harvest additional animals like mountain goat and mountain caribou. One unfortunate sheep hunter who missed his ram was able to take a wolf instead.



Our hunts are successful, rewarding, fun and exceptional.

As usual, **moose** hunting during the rut got everyone's adrenaline pumping. While the boat hunts on the river were more relaxed and scenic, the backpack hunts in old burns needed erotic guides to call the bulls out of thickets and into 20-yard ranges. Trophies were, as expected, exciting with an average spread of 58 inches out of 21 bulls taken. Moose lovers in camp were thrilled to see two hogs with plywood sheet-like shovels come in, and a lot of hunters were successful in adding on caribou and wolf.

**Caribou** hunting is always fun in South Nahanni. To choose just the right trophy out of several hundred excites most hunters – and it is hard to not come home with a great trophy. Again, we had the pleasure of harvesting book mountain caribou going over 400 B&C points.



Our combination hunters were

very successful, taking a whopping 3.4 trophies per

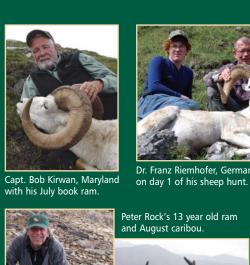
hunter. All went home with a sheep and a moose, almost all were able to add a caribou, and some also took a goat or wolf. Several wolverines were missed as were wolves, and black bears passed up. Our combination hunters usually make extensive use of the helicopter, flying from one habitat to the next, loosing no time hunting.

**Goat** hunting as an add on animal proved to be exciting due to the steep terrain and the taking of three large billies that just missed the book (out of seven) and an average of 8.5 inches in horn length.

Opportunities at **wolves** abounded, a lot of the grey ghosts got away but 34 hunters still managed to take five throughout the entire season.

We would like to thank all of our excellent hunters for their trust and friendship and would like to let them know that we enjoyed their company, their lives' stories as well as sharing a part of our lives with them that means so much to us. And to our guides and pilots: Thank you for all your hard, excellent, professional work; and for your spirits. It is good to know you will be back in July. It was a Blast!





great trophies, sheep, goat, moose





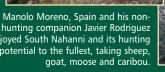


















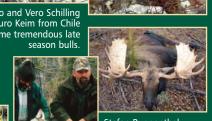
a giant warrior moose, huge palms, uneven, 64" spread and guide Eric Rae with Juans huge goat.

Franz Pemwieser, Austria enjoyed moose hunting and boating on the South Nahanni River.



hunt moose with his father Willehad Bauer and his uncle Wolfgang Harsch, all from Germany.





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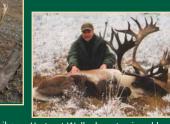
antiago Rengifo, Spain hunted together with is friend Juan Monjardin, both 69 years old!

and Mike Janicki, Wisconsin, choose out of hundreds of caribou.



Karl-Heinz Gotta,









lixed Bag hunter Angelo Paolella, New Jersey had 14 days of fun hunting



Niko Brockmann, Germany used base camp only to change planes, taking home giant trophies of sheep, caribou (cover), goat and moose.





enjoyed South Nahanni and its huntin







Franz Huber, Austria in early October. his sheep, but happy to take a wolf. on his Mixed Bag hunt.

Johnny Dilorenzo was sad to miss took moose, sheep and caribou Hartmut Wollenhaupt enjoyed beauty Nikolaus Gugler, Austria