



# LAZY TRIPLE CREEK RANCH

A Teton Valley sporting adventure



Lazy Triple Creek Ranch is located in Idaho's Teton Valley

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THE WESTERN CONTINENTAL DIVIDE STATES OF IDAHO, WYOMING, AND MONTANA are noted for their beauty and recreational attraction. Sun Valley, Grand Targhee, Jackson Hole, and Big Sky are world-famous for recreation, especially skiing, fishing, hunting, hiking, and biking.

Ernest Hemingway lived in all three states but was drawn out of Montana and Wyoming in 1939 by Averell Harriman and the Union Pacific Railroad Company. It is thought that Hemingway drove through the Teton Valley area of eastern Idaho on his way to the Sun Valley Lodge to write and promote, along with other famous stars, the Sun Valley experience. Rumor further speculates that he was enthralled by the beauty and isolation of the Teton Valley, which is just over the pass from Jackson Hole. But, Hemingway came to love Sun Valley and its citizens so much that it became one of his three residences including Key West and Cuba. His sporting exploits here became the centerpiece of many of his novels.

Teton Valley has a magnificent view of the Grand Tetons. Most photos of these famous peaks were probably taken from the Teton Valley side of eastern Idaho. Here, the many rolling hills, streams, and creeks are reminiscent of the topography found in Scotland, Wales, and England, famous for the British sports of Edwardian-driven bird shooting, stag hunting, and trout and salmon angling.



Now, what if you could experience the same beauty and recreation that you can find in the British Isles but without the expenses, annoyance of travel, and loss of recreational time? What if that were in the world-famous Teton Valley? What if you could experience world-class clay shooting, guided-driven bird shooting, guided elk hunting, and guided fly fishing for trout with accommodations at a ranch estate with first-class lodging, cuisine, and staff in the Teton Valley?

Well, this author has found it at Lazy Triple Creek Ranch (LTCR)! I have hunted and fished in the British Isles. LTCR is better than anything else that is advertised in the U.S. as comparable to the British Isles for beauty and recreation.

Lazy Triple Creek Ranch, in the Big Hole Mountains of the Teton Valley, has been the favored destination of many outdoor sports enthusiasts wishing to enjoy hunting, shooting, and fishing in easy proximity to their residences in Sun Valley. What started out as a cattle ranch generations ago in the Teton Valley has been developed into a recreational paradise with a beautiful and modern western-style lodge with nine en-suite bedrooms and eleven bathrooms befitting the culture, tradition, and elegance of Western hospitality.

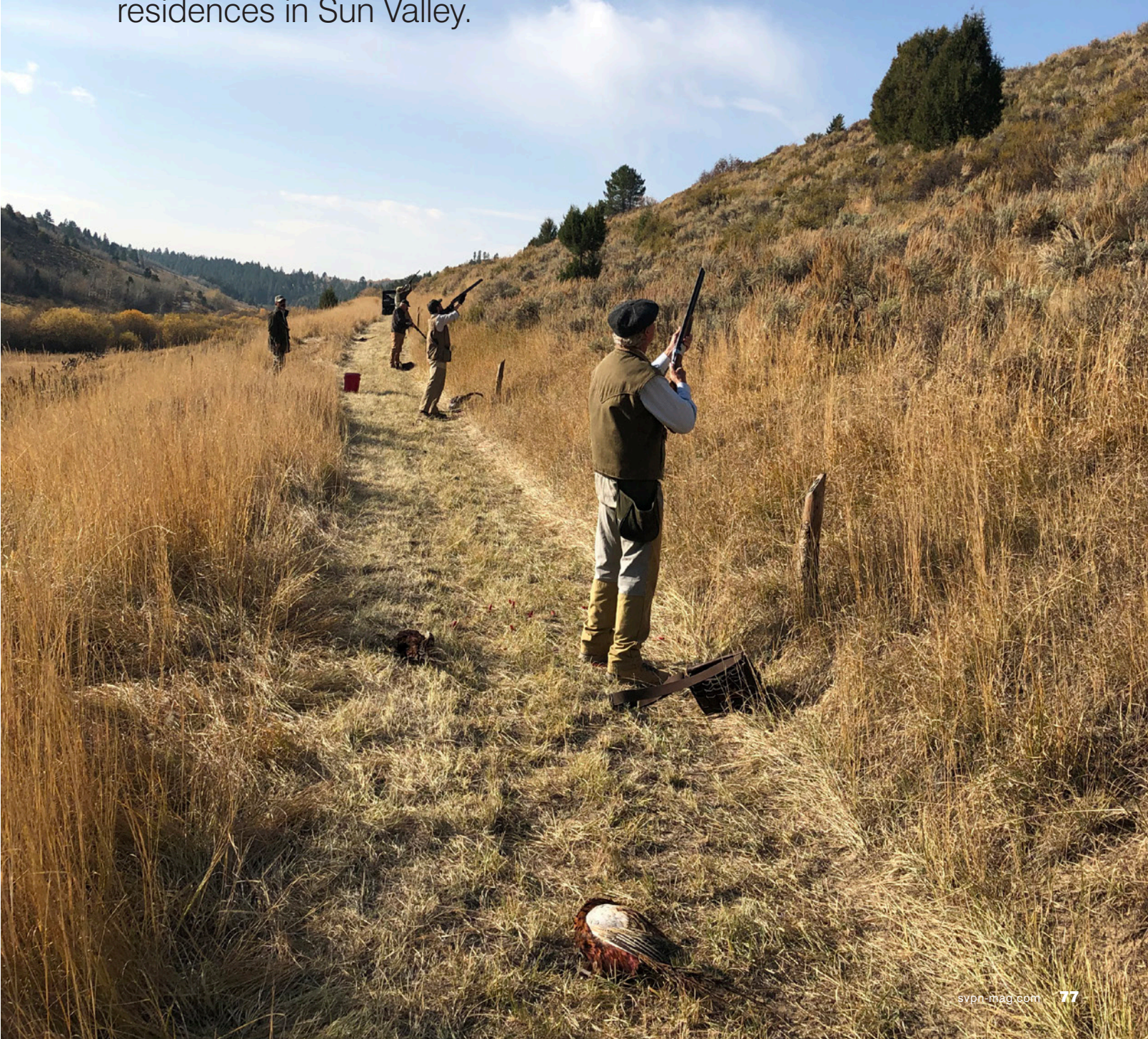
Couple this with elegant cuisine and drink, knowledgeable and helpful staff, and guides.

The ranch provides sporting clay shooting for all levels and abilities of shooters from beginner to expert. Clay shooting includes simulated bird shooting mimicking driven birds from hills, incoming grouse butt shooting, as well as trap, skeet, five-stand, and a 14-station clays walking course described as one of the most diverse and fun courses in the world. There is a rifle and pistol shooting range as well. All of this in terrain and beauty reminiscent of the Scottish Highlands.

Beginning in late August, the focus at LTCR shifts to upland bird hunting with European-style driven shoots as well as walk-up hunting with guides and dogs. The ranch also specializes for one week in October for trophy elk hunting. In winter, LTCR ranch can be a snowmobile paradise.

For the “Cast and Blast” enthusiast, the ranch is in the middle of the iconic trout rivers of eastern Idaho—Henry’s Fork, South Fork, Madison, and Teton—all within 45

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minutes of the lodge. A little over an hour away, the mountain biker, hiker, photographer, and wildlife viewer can enjoy the Jackson Hole area with its picturized peaks and mountain lakes. The same for access to Yellowstone National Park and Grand Teton National Park. And, of course, for the addictive shopper and cuisine lover Jackson Hole is also a mecca for art galleries, shopping, and famous restaurants and historical bars.

All of this is within an easy drive from Sun Valley. In your dreams, one would expect Ernest Hemingway to be sitting on the deck at LTRC lodge, smoking his signature Arturo Fuente cigar and drinking his favorite daiquiri.

Check out Lazy Triple Creek Ranch and all of its exciting activities for your next adventures in the Teton Valley and the surrounding areas. ■

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