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**Detroit Chapter Hunt Report**

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Hunt Date: June 6-10, 2009  
 Hunt Location: Country Canada State/Province British Columbia  
 Area or Concession Vancouver Island

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OUTFITTER NAME/COMPANY NAME North Island Guide Outfitters, Dave and Irene Fyfe  
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 OUTFITTER'S WEBSITE www.huntingvancouverisland.com GUIDE'S NAME Doug Rippingale  
 BOOKING AGENT I booked this hunt directly with the outfitter from an ad in the Safari Magazine  
 COST OF HUNT \$7863.75 Total (\$5950 for hunt, \$1000 for observer wife, \$173.75 net for GST, \$560 for license, tag & fees)  
 SPECIES TAKEN Island Black Bear

SPECIES HUNTED NOT TAKEN \_\_\_\_\_  
 REASON NOT TAKEN \_\_\_\_\_  
 TROPHY ANIMALS WERE: Abundant  Occasional  Scarce

EVALUATION OF SUPPORT (Please check one in each category):

Camp Facilities	Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Equipment	Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Food	Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trophy Preparation	Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trophy Shipping	Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>

Time Required for Delivery of Trophies The frozen cape and skull accompanied me home on the plane.

For these two items, please check all that apply:

HUNT CONDITIONS: Dry  Wet  Cold  Hot   
 HUNT TRANSPORTATION: Air  Boat  Vehicle  Horse  Foot  Other  ATV

Please see other side

1. Did you encounter any problems?

None. The weather was much warmer than I expected (highs in the 80s and 90s F), but it caused us no problems. Some of the bears had rubbed their capes, so this was something we had to closely check on any bear we were considering harvesting.

2. Personal highlights—

Seeing an average of 8 bears a day and harvesting a 6' 2" bear on the 4th afternoon.

3. Comments on performance of guide—

Excellent! Doug has a thorough knowledge of the area we hunted and the habits of the bears in that area. Doug was very friendly and helpful. My wife accompanied me while I was hunting except for the 2 evenings she stayed back at camp to watch the Red Wings play in the Stanley Cup playoff finals. Doug went out of his way to make my wife comfortable and to feel welcome.

4. Comments on performance of outfitter—

Excellent! Dave, his wife Irene and his camp cook Cindy took great care of us. Irene picked us up at the airport upon arrival and took us to the airport for our departure. These people aim to please their clients. They also outfit hunts for Roosevelt elk and cougar plus they have a luxury fishing lodge (Nootka Wilderness Lodge).

5. General comments, interesting sidelights, Humanitarian Service (Sportsmen against Hunger/Safari Care etc.)

6. Make & Model of Firearm/Bow: I rented from the outfitter a Browning bolt action .300 Winchester Short Mag

Type ammo, bullet grain weight and amount taken: Winchester Fail Safe 180 grain

Distances to expect and at what range were trophies taken?

Expect to shoot 100 yards or less. I took my bear at about 70 yards.

Optics: Scopes, bino's: Leupold Scope, Swarovsky Binoculars

Other Spec. Equip. Used. Satellite/Cell phone, GPS, Rangefinders--

Leica range finder and Harris bipod. Also used an ATV with a rigidly-mounted high-back comfortable passenger seat with arm rests to extensively travel the many deactivated logging roads.

7. Would you recommend this hunt to other SCI members? YES  NO

*(Please explain in either case)*

I recommend this outfitter most highly. He aims to please his clients so they consider coming back. Many of his clients are repeat customers.

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