



# *Kaskattama Safari Adventures Ltd.*

## HUDSON BAY COAST, MANITOBA, CANADA

### GUEST TRIP INFORMATION

The following is the travel information for your trip to Kaska Goose Lodge. Please read it carefully. Be sure to complete the attached Guest Reservation form and return it to our office no later than June 30. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Winnipeg office.

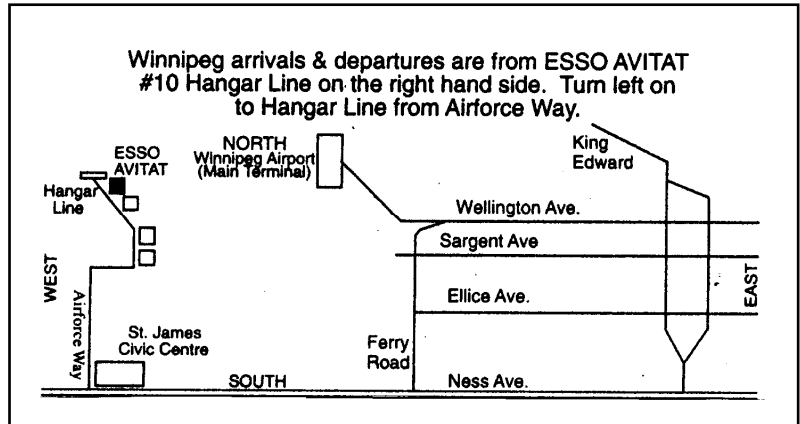
#### TRAVEL ITINERARY

Kaska's chartered Cessna Grand Caravan departs from the Esso Avitat, located at 10 Hangar Line Road at 6:00 am on the first day of your trip. Therefore you will have to overnight in Winnipeg the evening prior to your departure for Kaska. Our expeditor will meet you upon your arrival outside the customs area at the Winnipeg International Airport.

Please pack a small bag for your overnight stay in Winnipeg as our expeditor will take your luggage and guns from you at the airport and deliver them to Northways Air Service to ensure an on-time departure in the morning.

The charter terminal is located at Number 10 Hangar Line Road, which is a 15-minute shuttle ride from the Best Western Victoria Inn or the Howard Johnson Hotel. Our expeditor will meet you at the charter terminal the morning of your departure and upon your return to Winnipeg.

On your return from Kaska you should arrive in Winnipeg at approximately 3:00 pm. Therefore **we strongly suggest that you do not book your flights prior to 5:00 pm** to allow for delays caused by weather, etc. Weather is a very important factor in flying in the north, so all times are approximate. Flying time from Winnipeg to Kaska (which is located 600 miles north) is 3.5 hours with a scheduled fuel stop in Gillam on both the northbound and southbound legs of the trip.



#### TRAVEL INSURANCE

Your hunting excursion can be exciting and memorable, but sometimes unpredictable. That is why Kaska Goose Lodge recommends that you protect your investment with the purchase of **Sportsmans' Travel Insurance Plan**. This plan offers travel protection specifically designed with the sportsman in mind. We would be happy to book your travel insurance or you can book on-line through a link from our web site. ([www.kaskagoose.com](http://www.kaskagoose.com))

#### LUGGAGE LIMITS AND SAFETY

Eight hunters, their guns, ammunition and gear, along with full fuel tanks on our chartered aircraft comprise a full load. Therefore we request that **each guest limit their total baggage (including carry-on) to a maximum of 60 lbs.** Northways Air Service will be weighing all luggage, and if your total baggage weighs more than 60 lbs., you may have to leave the excess behind.

#### ◆◆ NEW U.S. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS ◆◆

**Please note: As of January, 2007 anyone travelling into or returning to the U.S. from another country must have a valid passport. No other form of identification is acceptable!**

## AIRLINE RESERVATIONS

Special outfitters' airfares have been arranged for our guests with both Air Canada / United Airlines and Northwest Airlines. To access these special fares, please contact Heather or Don at Heartland Travel @ 1-866-890-3377

## COMPLETING YOUR GUEST RESERVATION FORM

Please ensure your Guest Reservation Form is completed in full and returned to our office by June 30<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact our Winnipeg office at (204) 982-9680 or by e-mail at [info@gwnlodges.com](mailto:info@gwnlodges.com)

**Hunting Licenses:** We will have your hunting licenses completed for you awaiting your signature when you arrive at Kaska. All we require is your full name, home address and date of birth.

**Hotel Reservations:** Kaska has special hotel rates for our guests at two Winnipeg hotels located in close proximity to the International Airport. The Best Western Victoria Inn offers our guests a preferred rate of Cdn \$95.00 per room per night for either single or double occupancy. The Howard Johnson Hotel offers our guests a rate of Cdn \$72.00 per room per night single or double occupancy. The Both hotels welcome hunters and their dogs, although the rooms for animals are limited.

Both hotels offer complimentary shuttle service from the International Airport as well as between the hotels and the Esso Avitat. If you are driving to Winnipeg both hotels have ample free parking available.

**PLEASE NOTE: HOTEL RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH KASKA'S WINNIPEG OFFICE IN ORDER TO RECEIVED THE SPECIAL RATES.**

**Special Orders:** We will purchase quality ammunition for you and mark it up to cover our freight and handling costs. What you order is what you are billed for, but we will hold leftover shells for you for up to two years. We will purchase soda, beer, wine and liquor for you in advance of your trip and bring it into Kaska on our pre-season freight flights. Please specify the brands you prefer as well as quantities – we will do our best to fill your order.

**Helicopter Charters:** We will have a Bell 206 Long Ranger positioned at Kaska throughout the season. Charter service is available on a first booked – first served basis at a base rate of U.S. \$1,500 per hour (subject to change without notice). The aircraft accommodates up to 5 passengers. **Please note: due to higher air freight and fuel costs a fuel surcharge may be applicable to the helicopter charters.**

## WEATHER AND CLOTHING

Weather on the Hudson Bay coast in September is extremely unpredictable. Temperatures can range from freezing with snow flurries to hot and sunny with high temperatures into the mid-70°F range. Layered clothing is your best choice rather than bringing one heavy duty piece of clothing.

We recommend: warm, comfortable, waterproof boots; wool socks; thermal long underwear; water resistance hat or cap; gloves; long-sleeved shirts; vest; cammo coat or jacket; and long trousers (zip-off pants are handy if we do get a heat-wave). All exterior clothing should be camouflage.

We are quite informal at Kaska, so you can safely leave your tuxedo and dinner jacket in your closet at home. Once you have laid out all the gear you think you would like to bring to Kaska with you – cut that pike in half – that should bring you close to the 60 lb. weight limit the air charter serviced requires. On your flight into Kaska we suggest that you wear your hunting gear and keep your raincoat handy.

## SHOTGUNS AND SHELLS

The Federal *Firearms Act* is now in force. We are including a blank **Non-Resident Firearm Declaration Form** in this mailing. This form must accompany you and your firearms into Canada. Completion of the form is a fairly simple process, although there are some do's and don't that you should be aware of. Complete the form in full prior to your arrival at Canada Customs – with the exception of your signature. **Do not sign the Declaration (section "C") – the form must be signed in the presence of a Canada Customs Officer.**

Here are a few tips regarding filling out the form:

- #5 (Photo ID) – a valid driver's license along with an original birth certificate, or a passport is acceptable. **Note: A passport is the preferred ID and makes clearing Customs much easier.**
- #6 (Reason) – check hunting
- #7 (# of firearms) – check no more than 3
- #8 (Destination of firearms) – Kaska Goose Lodge, 185 miles NE of Gillam, MB

- The grey areas of the forms will be completed by the Canada Customs Officer. The rest of the form shouldn't present any difficulties, but if you have questions – please contact our office.

A 12 gauge shotgun is recommended. The gun must have a plug which restricts it to two shells in the magazine and one in the breech. Only non-toxic shot is allowed for waterfowl hunting at Kaska. We suggest BB's for Canada geese, #1 or #2 shot for snow geese, #4 shot for ducks and #7 ½ shot for ptarmigan. A screw-in or removable choke is advisable with the larger shot if your gun does not have a modified choke.

You can legally carry 200 shotgun shells into Canada from the U.S.A. Guns must be checked baggage and packed in a hard-sided case if flying commercially into Winnipeg. Ammunition must be packed separately from the firearms. No handguns are permitted in Canada.

**BAG LIMITS (Note: 2007 limits - subject to change by MNR for 2008 )**

Geese – Canada Geese: 5 daily, 3 days possession  
White Geese: 20 daily, 4 days possession  
Ducks – 8 daily, 2 days possession  
Ptarmigan – 10 daily, 3 days possession

In order to conserve the ptarmigan population near the lodge, we ask that our hunters only bag enough for a meal or an optional trophy. Across the river or further from camp you may shoot your limit. Sunday hunting is permitted at Kaska.

**HUNTING DOGS**

You are invited to bring your hunting retriever or upland dog along with you. There will be an additional charge of U.S. \$150.00 per dog transported on the Kaska charter. Dogs must be transported in an airline approved kennel, and when clearing Canada Customs, you must show proof that your dog has all its up-to-date immunizations. Please advise us if you intend to bring a dog so we can adjust our plane load to accommodate the dog.

**FISHING**

Hip waders are handy, but not necessary unless you intend to do a lot of fishing – we have waders available for our guests. Fly rods or ultra-light spinning rods are ideal for our brook trout. Tackle should include 4 – 6 lb monofilament line and lures should be 1/8 oz spinner baits such as #1, 2 or 3 Mepps (or similar) and small spoons such as Little Cleos (approx 1"). A 5-weight fly rod is ideal. Dry flies in small bug patterns such as ants, mayfly or stone fly patterns usually entice the brookies to strike.

All fishing in Manitoba is barbless and we practise catch-and-release at Kaska. No fish are taken home, but we will gladly prepare your catch at camp for lunch. Replica mounts of your trophy brook trout are available. We recommend Hawkins Taxidermy in Winnipeg should you decide on a replica mount. There are several loaner ultra light rod and reel outfits available at the lodge for our guests.

**CONTACT NAMES AND NUMBERS**

If you have any questions, etc. please feel free to contact our Winnipeg office. The contact names and numbers are as follows:

Office staff: Randy Duvell, Bev Duvell (reservations), Darlene Blue (accounting),

Office contact numbers: Phone: 204-982-9680; Fax: 204-982-9687; E-mail: [info@gwnlodges.com](mailto:info@gwnlodges.com)

Kaska on-site manager: Randy Duvell

**NOTE: TO CONTACT THE LODGE DIRECTLY:**

**Phone: 204-480-8550**

**Fax: 204-480-8563**

Lodge expeditor: Blair Mackin. Cell phone number 204-955-3477