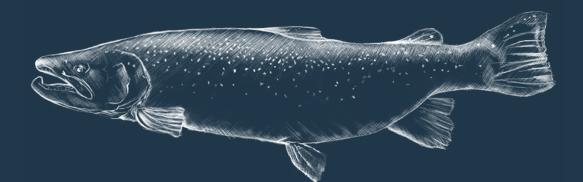


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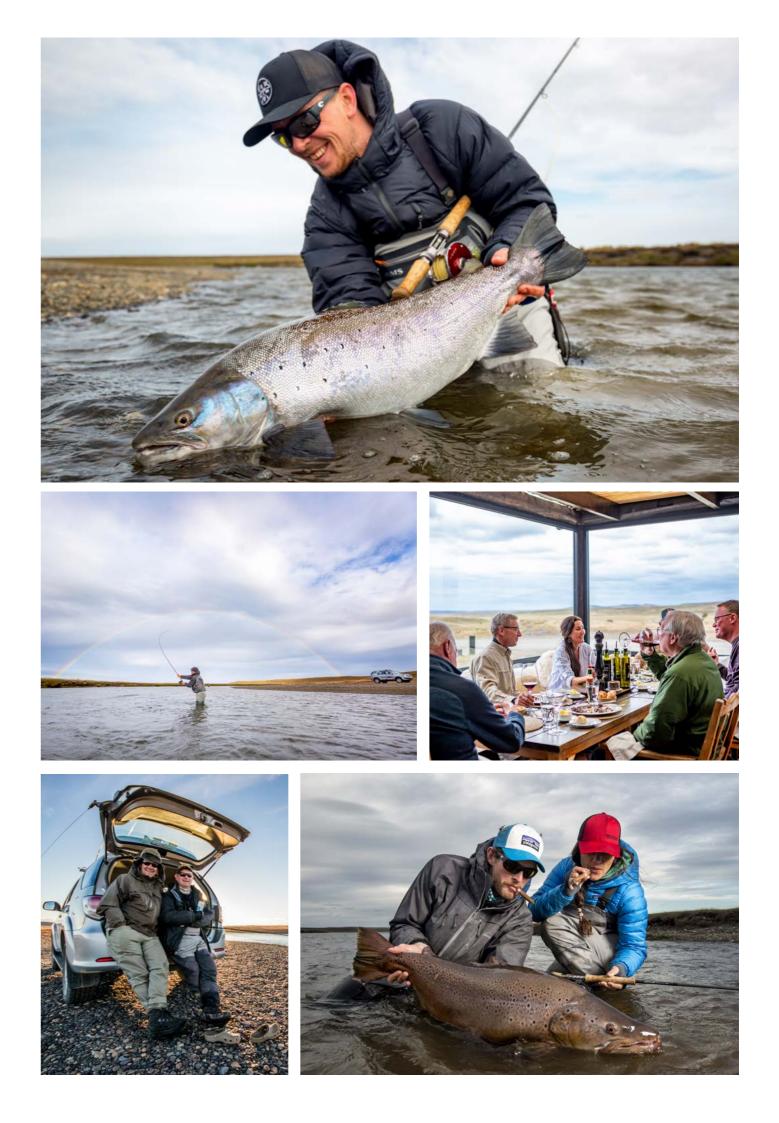


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In 1984, the first fishing lodge ever was established on the Río Grande, it's name; Kau Tapen. Which, in the Ona Language, means "House of Fishing"; a fitting name as you won't find a better "home" from which to target the world's largest sea-run brown trout. Today, several decades later, its legendary waters continue to inspire and delight both newcomers and well-traveled anglers.

With the wind, most days at your back, Anglers will fish either single- or twohanded rods to pursue the prized sea-run trout. From skating bombers through broad tail-outs and swing streamers across the river's best beats to drifting nymphs against deep cut banks, anglers use an assortment of various methods to chase the fish that will haunt you for the rest of your days.



















## WHY CHOOSE KAU TAPEN LODGE?

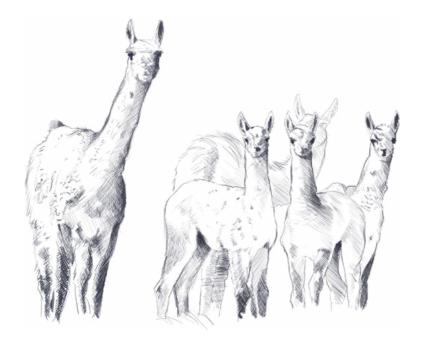
- Rio Grande the best trophy sea-run brown trout river in the world.
- The first and finest lodge on the Rio Grande.
- Five-star accommodations, Incredible delicious a la carte menu served with local award winning wines.
- Twenty pounders caught weekly. 20 to 30+lbs Sea Run Brown trout are caught each season. Five IGFA World Records have been set at Kau Tapen.
- The most pools per angler per day. Only two anglers and their guide per beat. Fish new water every day!
- Extensive Beat options make it possible to find a pool where the wind is a help, not a hindrance.
- Unmatched service and hospitality. More than 75% of our anglers are repeat guests.
- An easy to wade river with a gravel bottom and an even flow.
- Fish are generally easy to reach, holding on current lines or against cut banks within casting range.
- In addition to the Rio Grande, guests have access to 22 miles of the Menendez single-hand and switch rods.
- Experience the world's finest sea-run brown trout guiding team. We rotate our guides daily, so you'll learn from them all.
- Superb fishing gear and leading fishing equipment, available at no extra cost.

River, an intimate, technical tributary that's perfect for floating lines and

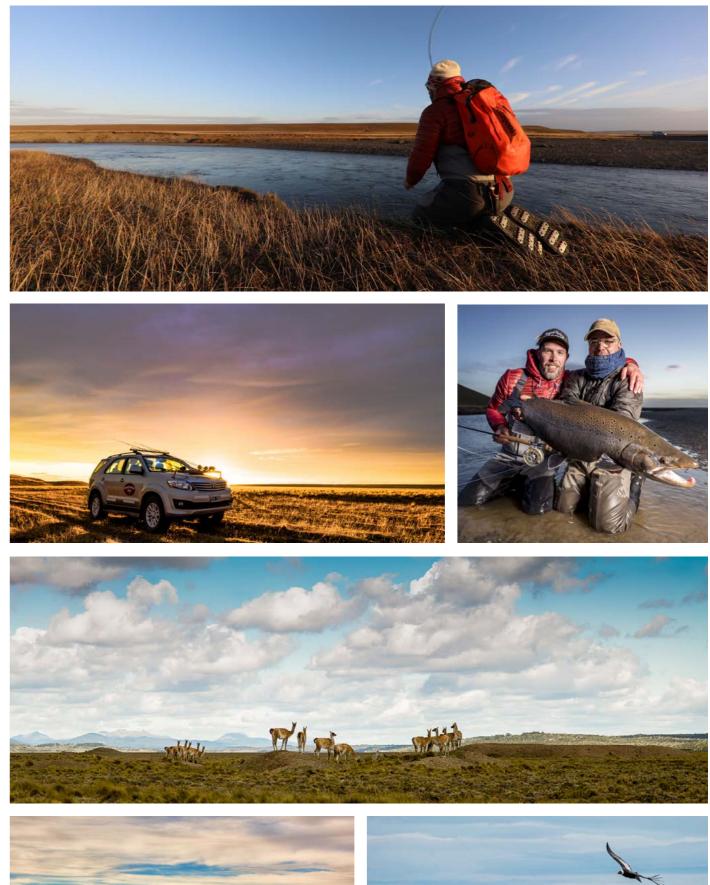


## LOCATION

- Kau Tapen is located on the Rio Grande in the Province of Tierra del Fuego; Argentina.
- The lodge is located on the legendary "Estancia La Retranca".
- 3-hour Nonstop flight from Buenos Aires to Rio Grande.
- Transportation from Rio Grande Airport to Lodge is 1 hour (4- wheel drive SUV).











The largest and most productive tributary of the Rio Grande, the last 15 miles of the Rio Menendez are perfect for fishing with a single-handed rod















## **FACILITIES AND SERVICES**

- Capacity: 10 or 12 Anglers depending the week.
- Rooms: 10 en suite bedrooms (single and double occupancy).
- Main House: Dining room, sitting room, bar, wade gear room, and fully equipped fly-tying table.
- Spa: Dry sauna, steam room, massage room, relaxation hot tub and therapeutic shower.
- Telephone and Wi-Fi.
- Maid and Laundry Service.
- Unparalleled bird watching and rich wildlife (Condors, flamingos, goose, foxes, beavers and llama-like guanacos, among others).
- First class international and local guides. All of our guides are able to give casting instruction with single and two-handed rods (Spey casting).
- Comfortable 4-wheel drive trucks fitted with rod racks and VHF radios.
- Fly Shop: Fully equipped with flies, rods, reels, lines, fishing apparel, and Argentine crafts.



## THE FISHING

- At Kau Tapen we fish for Sea-Run Brown Trout weighing an average of 7 lbs and ascending to 30lbs and above.
- Our waters cover on 22km of the Rio Grande as well as 20km of the Rio Mendendez; both with private access.
- The river offers easy wading on fine gravel bottom.
- Tackle: Single-handed (7-9wt / 9-10 ft.) and Two-handed rods (7-8 wt / 12-15ft.).
- Flies: Small salmon dry flies, nymphs, traditional salmon and sea-run trout wet flies.
- Lines: Floating lines, Sink Tips and quick sink tips depending on water conditions.
- Fishing schedule:

8:00 am Breakfast9:00 am Depart for fishing1:00 pm Lunch and Siesta4:00 pm Fish till dusk

The schedule will depend on the season and can be tailored to meet the preference of our guests.

• Guides are equipped with nets and will assist anglers in weighing and releasing fish quickly and without harm.



















RATES Season 2023: Dec 31 - Apr 8, 2023

Dec 31 – Jan 14	\$ 10,950
Jan 14 – Mar 18	\$ 11,950 <sup>\$</sup>
Mar 18 – Apr 8	\$ 10,950

Rates are based on 7 nights and 6 days fishing, and include single room (subjected to availability) and shared guide.

Non-Angler: \$650 per person per night

\* Saturday to Saturday weeks include: 1 night at Delta Eco Lodge (shared rooms), with one day of guided dorado fishing (subject to availability; firstcome basis) with lunch, dinner and breakfast included – open bar.

Does not includes transfer Ezeiza (EZE) Intl. Airport to Marina - Marina to Aeroparque (AEP) Domestic Airport (based on 2 pax min. at \$ 150 p/person)

- Included: Transfer from Rio Grande Airport to the Lodge, Accommodation, Meals, All wines, beer, local and international spirits, Professional guide services, loaner fishing equipment (Rods, reels & Lines).
- Not included: Gratuities for guides and house staff, international and domestic airfares, fishing license (\$550 approx. per person), laundry service and dayroom (\$200 p/person) based on single occupancy at Rio Grande Hotel on arrival date to Río Grande.
- Payment terms: Reservations are confirmed with a 50% deposit. All deposits are non-refundable under any circumstances, unless a client replacement is found. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. At this point, participants are responsible for total land costs and no refunds will be made for unused land transportation, accommodations or meals.





Nervous Waters, David Denies Bird Hunting and Red Stag Patagonia are all proud members of The Kautapen Group - a single team of dedicated professionals focused on maintaining the highest standard of service and elevating your sporting experiences.



If fly fishing is your passion—consider the Nervous Waters family of lodges. Nervous Waters is the leader in international Fly Fishing destinations, with nine special lodges spread out across Argentina, Chile, and the Bahamas. We offer a plethora of coveted gamefish including bones and tarpon, sea-run and resident brown trout, rainbow trout, and golden dorado, pacu, and pira pita.

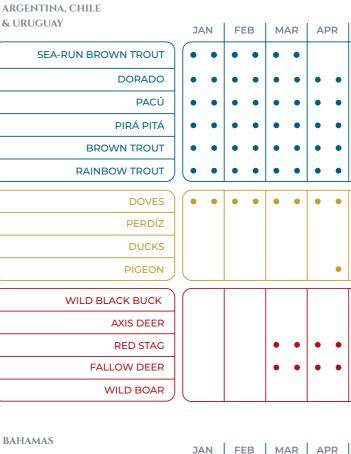
**David Denies BIRD HUNTING** 

David Denies Bird Hunting comprises 10 world class bird hunting lodges across Argentina & Uruguay. From high volume dove shooting in the famed hills surrounding Cordoba, to the fertile wetlands of the Buenos Aires province, where marshes and swamps teem with ducks in unfathomable numbers, to the idyllic rolling pastures of Uruguay, home to the greatest concentration of hard flying perdiz, we bring you to the ultimate wingshooters paradise, with an impeccable style and attention to detail found nowhere else.



Red Stag Patagonia, outfits some of the best Red Stag hunts in both Argentina and Chile as well as best free-range Black Buck and Axis Deer hunting in South America. Our four operations are located in Chile, Northern Patagonia, Mendoza and Buenos Aires. All of Red Stag's hunts are fair chase, open country hunts in magnificent terrain, and their success rate speaks for itself.

### SEASONS BY SPECIES



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