

BURBANK GUIDE SERVICE[™] (Burbank Ent. LLC)

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DUCK HUNTING INFORMATION- Guided

Hunting at Paul's Ponds

We will take you to an exclusive duck hunting area, such as "Green Heads only, at Paul's Ponds *".

Paul's Ponds has been featured in numerous TV shows, videos and DVD's. This is a **phenomenal area** where at times, when the mallards blanket the ponds, there should be a sign that says

"No More there Room- no vacancy "! The wetland habitat, developed exclusively for waterfowl, includes a lot of food and ponds. Paul fine tunes, improves and adjusts annually the habitat using his management techniques.



Located in the heart of the Columbia Basin, 500ft above sea level & adjacent to the confluence of the Columbia & Snake Rivers (natural flyways). Rivers provide open water for refuge all season long. Food & resting (5 refuges), plus patrolled private, pristine properties for outstanding hunting. Season is from mid-Oct to end of January. Limit 7 day.

Our professional guides provide opportunities for shooting and an enjoyable experience in the fresh outdoors. The proven ponds have been successful all season long, typically up to the last week. Why, because of proven management techniques (shooting only small flocks) & not pressuring the birds all day long (½ day hunts or less).

- Meeting time: At Burbank for ducks we have a delayed meeting time. Please call the office the eve of the business day before the hunt. Meeting time varies from 7 to 9 AM. Yes, this is correct & proven!
- Shells: **Bring 1 boxes of shells**, <u>not to exceed 2 ¾</u>". This is to protect the overall quality of the hunting. The longer shells create too much noise, or sound reverberation, that disturbs all waterfowl, plus the ducks are in close. Recommend Heavy Metal or Hevi-Shot, or #2 HV steel shot.
- Boots: Waders are not needed but are great insulation-if you want to help with decoys wear them. Most ponds are not deep. The guide takes you to the edge of the pond/blind. High rubber boats are recommended.
- Clothes: Tan/ beige/brown color, that are quiet, 'no noise' when moving. Wear layers of warm clothes in fleece or other silent fabrics. The setting is cattail and reeds. On occasion blinds/field hunting. Face covering is preferred, so the wildlife will not see you...but you can watch (don't move) since the blinds offer visibility to see the wildlife, which makes the hunt more exciting. Bring 'hot hands' packets for the cold.
- Blinds: Hunt in 'Deadly Duck Blinds', along the edge on different ponds. They are above ground blinds that offer excellent shooting ease and comfort in chairs. Field hunting is in a Deadly Duck or pit blind.
- Dogs: The first group to schedule will be given priority to bring their dog. Burbank will consider having fulfilled its obligation for opportunities, if your dog interferes with the hunt. If your dog is not having a good day& cannot retrieve quickly, not break or listen, or interferes with the birds working the area, then a kennel will be needed. All hit birds will count as part of bag limit. If there are 2 groups in a blind, the guide may opt to use his own dog to ensure the success of the hunt. (Guide always brings a dog as needed.)
 - *1. This takes affect the first of November. (There are some local mallards, but it will be a mixed bag until the northern mallards arrive.) Each year we take voluntary contributions for all Susie's at \$5 each, which we donate to conservation groups to preserve and enhance wildlife, such as Ducks Unlimited and Washington Waterfowlers.
 - *2. Very limited availability: Combo hunts consist of first goose hunting, and then duck hunting (subject to availability that daywhich may not be known until the day of your hunt). Burbank reserves the right to decline a duck hunt, upon the decision of the guide or head guide (due to circumstances & weather) and you will not be charged. We execute most of the scheduled duck hunts, and will do everything possible to try to ensure that you are accommodated.