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Sutton Bay Agar, South Dakota

If you get bored of hunting Canada goose, duck, and ringneck pheasant at Sutton Bay on the eastern shore of Lake Oahe in rugged central South Dakota, you can always pull out your golf clubs. This new club that draws members from across the country boasts "The Best New Private Golf Course in 2004," awarded by *Golf Digest*. Its 18 holes look as if there were simply dropped atop the hilly, treeless Missouri breaks topography, but were adeptly designed by Australian tour pro Graham Marsh. You won't get bored of hunting, though. Sutton Bay has exclusive access to sprawling private grasslands, farm plots, and marshlands. Members stay in the 18 rooms at the main ranch house — its faux grain elevator has a wine cellar, and lookout bar — or one of a handful of two- and four-bedroom cottages. Trophy-sized walleye and Chinook salmon in Lake Oahe, a 231-mile long lake created in 1948 by damming the Missouri River, are common. The club can arrange a guide.

Joshua Creek Ranch Boerne, Texas

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Airport and 45 minutes from the San Antonio International Airport, this beautiful Texas Hill Country paradise has been delighting shooters for 21-plus years. Texas hospitality is extended by an experienced team of professionals who ensure excellence from the hunting fields, to the dining room, to the lodging accommodations, to the pro shop.

When guests visit Joshua Creek Ranch they are awed by the incredible diversity of habitat within this Texas Hill Country ranch. The spring-fed, cypress-lined Joshua Creek cuts through the ranch, then empties into the pristine Guadalupe River. It's the perfect habitat for upland birds: from the creek bottom area where fertile fields grow milo and other grain crops, to the grassy hilltop pastures studded with live oaks and cedar elms, to the rugged bluffs and ridges where cackling iridescent pheasants take flight in the tradition of European-style driven pheasant shoots. Experienced guides know the land, the wildlife and the essentials of hunting.

A variety of wing shooting packages and deer and turkey hunting options are available, or a custom package can be developed. The gamebird hunting is done in the company of professional guides and their well-trained pointing, flushing and retrieving dogs — all provided to ensure your enjoyment in the field every time you hunt up quail, pheasant, chukar and Hungarian partridge. Now through October 24 — Joshua Creek Ranch offers dove hunting at its best. Indulge yourself with a one or two night stay at Joshua Creek Ranch, including gourmet