

# Country Pursuits Mix

## What are they?

A variety of countryside activities to form the basis of, or enhance any event.

The perfect break from the bustle of city-life, a Country Pursuits day gives your guests the opportunity to relax and sample traditional, along with more 'unusual' rural pastimes - from clay pigeon shooting and archery to ferret racing!

## How do they work?

Our expert instructors will introduce guests to each pursuit and after a brief demonstration it will be the guests turn to have a go.

Create the ideal country experience. The activity range is vast, allowing you to pick and mix pursuits according to your audience and requirements:

### Air Rifles

Hone shooting abilities with some air rifle target practice. Accuracy and composure will help guests to hit pop-up targets. Throw in some action by having the targets explode on impact!

### Antiques Dating

A useful skill for car boot sales nationwide. Learn how to match the antiques to their description, age and value.

### Archery

Whether you're left or right handed, we provide the latest composite bows. Take some expert tuition from our instructor, polish your technique and send your pointed projectiles to the centre of the target.

### Axe Throwing

The conquering Scandinavians enjoyed throwing axes, now you can too – with some tuition you'll be hurling the bladed tools so they hit the target perfectly.

### Clay Shooting Stands

Grab your gun, aim well and knock the clays from the sky. We provide helpful, friendly advice and allow as much safe shooting time as possible.

Each stand includes an automatic trap, cartridges and clays:

- Pigeon Clays – aim high to hit this clay
- Crossing Woodcock - standard clay crossing left to right
- Snipe - varying "ball trap" can be used to give an unpredictable target
- Partridge - incoming clay, simulating driven bird
- Springing Teal - clay which flies up vertically
- Fleeing Pheasant - clay which flies away from the gun



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## **Crossbows**

Mechanised archery. Armed with crossbows and full instruction, guests will direct their arrows towards the bullseye.

## **Donkey Derby**

A lively donkey-powered chariot race. Steer and cheer your mighty steed to victory! Or maybe a carrot bribe is in order?

## **Duck Herding**

Duck Herding is an ancient art - it's true! Following a short introduction, teams get the chance to steer their fowl friends around a course with the aid of a dog. Create the right rapport with your dog and master the correct shepherd terminology to send the ducks efficiently through a series of fences and gates.

## **Falconry**

A selection of winged wonders. An expert falconer introduces various birds and their abilities. The activity culminates with guest participation during a falconry demonstration – have an Owl or a Harris Hawk glide through the air and settle on your fist!

## **Ferret Roulette**

Take a baffling piece of apparatus comprising of many tubes, add a charming member of the weasel family, and you have ferret roulette. Drop the little blighter into the central chamber and make a bet on which tube he will pop his head out of.

## **Fishing**

Novices and expert anglers alike, our informal experienced instructors can accommodate all levels of fishing. Celebrity instructors and experts are available on request.

## **Fly Casting**

Aside from the deck chair, it's one of the most important features of fishing. Learn how to cast skillfully from an expert tutor, then compete with team mates and attempt to land your fly in circular targets.

## **Fly Tying**

A chance to pick up new fishing skills. An Instructor will teach guests the art of tying a fly in different ways, and when to use each. Knowledge is power, so now you can become a more effective angler.

## **Gun Dog Trials**

Meet and take control of your very own Gun Dog. After some instruction, you and your canine contestant tackle an assault course brimming with tunnels, slaloms and walls. If your connection and communication with the Gun Dog is effective, you could be guiding yourselves to a record time!

## **Landscape Painting**

A professional artist will show you the basics of landscape painting, including mixing colours, the best brush techniques and how to scale.



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## **Laser Clays**

Ideal for people who are slightly nervous about using a real gun, or where a venue doesn't hold a licence for clay pigeon shooting – this has all the fun of clay-shooting without the live ammunition. Specially adapted clays are launched from a trap as five guests fire at the same time. Scores are recorded on an electronic scoreboard.

## **Laser Helicopter Shooting**

Five laser guns, one low flying mini helicopter. An unusual and visually exciting challenge.

## **Reverse Steer Crazy Tractors**

Vehicular based insanity! Using motorised seated lawn mowers, team members attempt to complete a marked out course. Easy? Far from it – these machines are built to bamboozle. With the Crazy Tractors steering in the opposite direction, teams will find themselves in a challenging and truly comical predicament!

## **Living off the Land**

Shun high street restaurants and cafes and 'go back to nature'. This activity will teach guests how to grow their own food, with produce that can be found naturally or grown in a garden or window box. There's a knack to cooking it all too – which we'll also demonstrate!

## **Mead Making**

Revisit the birth of alcohol as guests learn how to make the world's first fermented beverage. After a short history of the drink and an explanation of the brewing process, you have the opportunity to make your own brew.

## **Pottery**

A workshop teaching guests the art of spinning pots on a clay wheel. After their custom made crockery is complete, guests take on the decoration, firing and glazing aspects of pottery.

## **Sheep Dog Trials**

Become a traditional shepherd and manipulate the location of your sheep. Following a short session of instructions and demonstrations, guests can command a sheepdog to round up the sheep and coax them into a pen. Teams compete against the clock, with odds-on comical consequences.

## **Wellie Wanging**

Take one wellie and a group of enthusiastic competitors and you have wellie wanging. Throw it the furthest to be the winner!



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## Who is it suitable for?

- All ages, genders and business backgrounds
- Colleagues, clients or families
- Guests looking to escape the pace of the city
- Ideal for client networking events

## What are the benefits and outcomes?

- An exciting way for guests to meet
- A memorable and fun occasion
- A relaxing setting in which to network or improve working relationships
- A great way of rewarding hard working colleagues
- A revitalising morning or afternoon

## Timing and Logistics:

<b>Number of people</b>	50 - Unlimited
<b>Duration</b>	30 to 45 minutes per activity
<b>Venue / Logistics</b>	Outdoor
<b>What we supply</b>	No animals are harmed in these activities. Some guests may be wary of firing live ammunition. Laser alternatives can be provided.
<b>Pricing</b>	On application
<b>Health and safety</b>	Risk Assessed & £10million Public & Product Liability and Professional Indemnity Insurance

## Enhancements

- We can provide a traditional English meal or a barbeque to round off your day in the British countryside
- Mix and match your day by including motorised activities from our Multi Action Mix: For an extra adrenaline rush – try quad biking, Segways or blind driving after a spot of archery...
- Complement a Country Pursuits day with a variety of team challenges
- We can provide prizes themed to each activity

