

Training Days Explained

Cold Game Training Day:

The cold game day is to get dogs used to picking up dead game birds and rabbits, we have a lot of people who want to try their dogs at picking up game in a controlled environment with some wanting to move on to picking up on shoots or just getting their dogs accustomed to retrieving shot game. Some may not want to go on to picking up with their dogs and may just want to see what the dog will do on game, that is fine it's a training day and we will take you through the process step by step, from picking up dummy's with wings on to your dog actually picking up a dead bird and bringing it back to you. These days are suitable for all dogs over 6 months that are retrieving dummy's well.

Pointing Training Days:

These days are as they suggest for pointing dogs HPRs Pointers and Setters. We use caged game birds on these days so that we can show you what you should do when your pointing dog comes across game when you are out, it should point the scent of game some do and some do not initially but this day is to try and help you understand what your dogs are doing or should be doing and what you should do when you both encounter game. These days are suitable for dog of 6 months and over.

Flushing Days for Spaniels and HPRs:

These are the next step for HPRs and Spaniels that are in need of introduction to wild game and these days are run on a Pheasant shoot but without any birds being shot. The dogs will be worked individually on ground that contains wild game, in the case of HPRs this is the next step from the pointing on caged game but this time there is no cage, so the exercise is for the dog to hunt up and locate the game pointing it, then after encouragement flushing the game on command and then sitting. With spaniels the dogs will be working on live game flushing the game and sitting. These days are excellent for introducing dogs that are quite well through their training to game and will help the initial introduction with steady ness and control of your dog in a game situation.

Shoot Over Days for HPRs Spaniels and Retrievers:

These days are designed to help you put the finishing touches to your dog's training. They are a walked up shooting days with you working your dog on game and on their production the birds will be shot and your dog will be expected to be steady to shot and fall of a bird and then retrieve without fuss. Retrievers will walk along behind the guns who will be behind the Spaniels or HPRs that are working and once a bird has been shot, a Retriever will be sent for the retrieve, this acts as excellent steadiness training with all the dogs working or retrieving as all dogs will take it in turns to retrieve. These days are for dogs that have gone through all their training and are to test you and your dog on the end result.