

SHOOTING

PERFECTING YOUR SWING

By Harry Jarman

There is nothing better than receiving that first invitation in the post. It provokes delight, excitement, and – if you're not a regular shooter – sheer terror. Two questions hang particularly heavy over the invitee: 'do I have the right kit?' and 'What am I going to do? I haven't shot in a year!'. The first of these issues is quickly sorted by a visit to the gun shop or country clothing outfitters. The second, however, is more tricky. Shooting, like most sports, is a question of practice making perfect – the more you do it, the better you get. Due to the seasonality of the sport, though, there will always be that first day after the lay-off, when you feel compelled to make up excuses. Or will there? Now, it seems, there's a different course of action.

The renowned team at Bisley Shooting Ground have come

up with the Pre-shoot Perfecter. This unique experience provides everything you need to perfect your skills, whether you're a beginner or an experienced shot, covering key elements from mount analysis to high pheasant-shooting from the tallest clay tower in Europe. This sort of day is the perfect warm-up for any shoot. With over 120 traps across the country, there really is no excuse not to be shooting straight by the end of the day. Not only are there traps for partridges and pheasants, but also for rising teal, bolting rabbits and driven grouse, the latter of which are reputed to be the most realistic in the country.

Bisley have teamed up with Capstar Chauffeurs, a unique premium driving service that employs ex-army personal, helping them make what is often a tough transition to civilian life. With a fleet of personalised Jaguars, you can ensure you arrive securely and in style.

The experience, including the Capstar chauffeur service to and from Bisley from central London is the 'Ultimate Pre-shoot Perfecter'. Prices (including Capstar) are from £345 p.p for a 4 x 250 bird drive.

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THE GUN-BOSS & CO

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