Welcome to Hunting Unlimited 2011

Welcome to Hunting Unlimited 2011! For fans of the Hunting Unlimited series, our latest version brings an all new game engine that brings you even more realistic animals, weapons and environments. For new hunters, we are sure that you will find the Hunting Unlimited 2011 experience extremely exciting and rewarding!

Hunt your way across the Continental States including Alaska in an all new Hunting Unlimited Adventure. Play in two exciting game modes as you hone your skills unlocking increasingly more powerful weapons and ever more challenging hunting locations.

Take aim at whitetail deer, mule deer, elk, moose and bighorn sheep, but keep an eye out for danger as there are more than just two legged hunters looking for an easy lunch.

This Help menu will help with the basics of the game. Hands on experience and experimentation are the best way to understand all the options of the game. You'll have your own private log cabin where a map will display un-lockable hunting locations as well as a selection of weapons. Above you fireplace you'll see a collection of your top trophy's animals in each category.

We at Arb Studios and Valusoft hope that you will enjoy the many hunts with Hunting Unlimited 2011. Now go out and have the hunt of a lifetime!

General Information

The Hunt View

The HUD (Heads Up Display) gives you all the information needed as you embark on your hunt. Remember to press Escape to look at your Options at any time, including adjusting your Key Controls and Video Options and also to exit your hunt at any time (like when your boss is near).

Compass and Wind Direction
In the Upper Left corner is your compass, and inside it is a blue squiggly line indicating the wind direction. You are represented as a triangle in the center of the compass with the top of the compass always oriented to the direction you are facing. The green arrow points to the direction of your quarry while stalking game changing to a green circle as you begin to near your target. You can get closer to the animals without being detected if you adjust your path to remain downwind as you approach. A quick spray of cover scent will help mask your scent allowing you to get closer still.

Player Health
The upper right corner has an icon representing your health. Run out of health and your round is over.

Player

Using Your Rifle, Bow or Shotgun
The weapon you've chosen for your hunt is always visible on the screen in the grasp of your avatar. To aim the shotgun simply point it at the target using your mouse, to bring up the targeting reticule for the bow draw back the bow string by holding down the left mouse button or whichever key you've mapped to the keyboard or mouse. Release the key to let the arrow fly. To bring up the rifle scope use the TAB key or again whatever key you've mapped from the Controls menu. You can zoom in and out if you are using a scope by rolling the mouse wheel or selecting the + or – key on the keyboard.

Improve your Aim
Hold your breath just prior to shooting to steady your aim by selecting the dedicated key (see Controls). If you've been running after your quarry your heart will be beating very fast affecting your aim. Try walking or standing still for a few seconds to recover and help steady your aim.

Viewing your Hunt Summary
You are able to see a summary of your highest scores per hunting location by highlighting the area on your map. Highlighting the wall mounted trophies will display the score for the top trophy animal regardless of hunting location.

Pausing / Ending your Hunt
You may pause a hunt in progress by hitting the Escape key on your keyboard and continue by selecting the Resume key. You may also hit Escape and then Abort or Main Menu to quite the game in progress.

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Hints and hunting tips
Each weapon type has its advantages and disadvantages depending on the type of hunt and animals you encounter. Your success in the mission will depend on you determining the best weapon class to complete the round. Of course you will want to use the best unlocked weapon of each category to improve your odds of success.

Running when near your target, being upwind and shooting indiscriminately will spook your quarry so keep that in mind to improve your odds of success.

Problems with running the game

The most common errors are related to video & sound card drivers. Hunting Unlimited 2011 will attempt to auto-select the best options to accommodate your video card. You may choose to experiment with overriding these options by adjusting the Graphics under Option.

How do I update my video drivers?

You must first know what video card you are using. To find this out, either look at the documentation that came with your computer / video card purchase or you can find out by looking at your computer's System Properties. If you already know what card you have, go to that manufacturer's web site and follow their instructions for downloading and upgrading your driver. If you do not know what card you have, follow the instructions below.

Your System Properties can be viewed by right clicking on the My Computer icon on your desktop by selecting Start – My Computer, and then right-clicking on My Computer, selecting Properties, then selecting the (Hardware) Device Manager tab. You will see a monitor icon with the text Display Adapters next to it. Left click on the + and you should see what video card you are currently using.

Click on it and then click the Properties button. That should tell you the manufacturer.

You must now go to the manufacturer web site to obtain the free driver upgrade. The drivers are usually located in the Support section of their site. Other areas to look are Downloads, Drivers, Files, Upgrades, Technical Support or User Support.

Some of the larger hardware manufacturer sites are:
www.nvidia.com
www.ati.com
www.creative.com
www.matrox.com
www.intel.com
www.micronpc.com
www.gateway.com
www.compaq.com
www.hp.com
www.dell.com

Q: The game is running choppy or slow.
A: Make sure your computer meets the minimum system requirements. You should be running the latest version drivers for your video card.

Q: My game is crashing for some reason while I'm hunting.
A: This could be related to several things, and is most likely a driver related issue. Make sure you follow the instructions above for updating your driver. If you are running with shadows turned on, try turning them off. Some computer systems do not correctly handle the drawing of shadows and can cause crashes.

Q: I am not seeing any textures on the ground, or the textures don't look right.
A: Try turning down or up the detail settings in the Option menu.

Q: I am not hearing any sound or the sounds are broken up.
A: Be sure you have updated the drivers on your sound card.

Q: The mouse sensitivity is too high, and it is difficult to aim.
A: You can adjust the mouse sensitivity in the Controls Menu.

Optimizing your hard drive: Run SCANDISK and DEFRAG your hard drive. There is a great potential for making games run faster and better if your system is optimized.

Trouble Shooting – Installation
If your CD-ROM drive does not have autorun enabled you will have to manually run the installation program. Click on START and then RUN and type d:\setup.exe and click OK. If your CD-ROM drive uses a different drive letter, replace the "d" with the letter that your computer uses for the CD-ROM drive. Back to top

Technical Support

For Technical Support with Hunting Unlimited, please visit the Valusoft website at www.valusoft.com

Main menu commands

Challenges and Weapons

The Challenges in Hunting Unlimited 2011 are set up on a tier system to be increasingly challenging with the player determining the optimal weapon per mission or by personal preference. Accumulate points to unlock new hunting areas and upgraded weapons. Missions have specific 'bonus' modifiers that will get you more points.

Changing Weapons and Items

You may only change a weapon prior to the beginning of a mission by selecting from one the unlocked weapons in your cabin.

Map Overview

The Map Overview feature will show you all the available hunting areas in the game as well as they specific challenge mode and goals per area. If you've completed a mission in an area, you may highlight the area to review its high score.

Options

This menu will allow you to customize the game for your own control scheme, as well as customize the game for your computer's performance. If you have questions on game controls go here and check them out or adjust them to your preference.

Credits

About will let you know who worked hard and long to make Hunting Unlimited available for your enjoyment.

Quit

Closes the game and brings you back to your desktop. This feature is not used often, and I can’t really figure out why it is here. Why would you want to stop?