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Getting around a shoot

Sophia Gallia suggests shoot transport options ranging from ATVs and UTVs carrying one or two, to wagons and trailers carrying the full team.



£10,700

JCB's UTV is handy for a couple of guns. It is one of the more powerful UTVs on the market, has excellent ground clearance and there is a six-wheel version as well.



£5,739

Honda's TRX420FPM is the pick of the ATV market. It is the result of a major facelift, having a number of improved features (see page 55). Many shoots and gamekeepers have chosen Honda as reliability, durability and performance are second to none.

£11,250



The John Deere XUV Gator has been updated with power steering, improved braking and suspension, increased load capacity and other features making it one of the most powerful diesel UTVs available.

£13,629



The new Cub Cadet from EP Barrus has a diesel engine and is a great workhorse on shoots. This one is fitted with a specially-designed game cart, which is easily attached.



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The Gun Bus Company's range includes a jeep (above and top right), which is ideal if you want an entirely dedicated vehicle for your shoot, and an activity trailer (top left), which can be pulled by a 4x4 vehicle.



£10,699

The new diesel version of the Polaris Ranger automatically engages four wheel drive when needed and has 12" ground clearance.

£8,999



Kawasaki's four-strong Mule range is targeted at the shooting market. The 'Trans' model has an addition bench seat, allowing it to carry four. That could be jolly handy when getting guns to pegs. Quad-X, specialists in cabs to fit ATVs, also produce a full cab (see picture inset) specifically for the Kawasaki Mule. The full Quad-X cab costs £1,179 (basic one £588).



from £6,000

Many shoots are turning to ready-made trailers. One shoot owner explained how he opted for one made by Tailormade Fabrications, following an accident. "We have been delighted with the trailer. It is road legal and all the beaters are seated in transit. I don't think shoot operators can afford to take risks."

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Access Trailers, working with agricultural trailer manufacturer Graham Edwards, have produced a new range of field sports models for transporting guns or beaters. Based on either a 12', 14' or 16' long x 6'6" wide tandem axle 3,500kg platform the trailers have a fully galvanised chassis, superstructure and alloy sides. A fixed roof and full set of roll down curtains provide all weather protection. A demountable option is also available.



from £5,749



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SCH Supplies shoot trailer carries a team of guns or beaters and is pulled by a four-wheel drive vehicle. SCH also makes a game cart.



from £9,000

Shropshire Gunbus specialises in the renowned Pinzgauer all-terrain vehicle, built originally for tough military use over the Alps. Its unique independent axles give optimal traction and passenger ride over uneven ground. About 15 vehicles are stocked covering the main variants: 4X4, 6X6, petrol/diesel, hardtop/soft-top etc. Carrying capacity is 10-14 people. Prices range from £9k to £30k. Many UK shoots already use this premier shoot vehicle.



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New Holland's Rustler is new to the market. Built tough with versatility in mind, the two seat machine is ideal for estate management task and shooting. It is available in camouflage paint.

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Note. Prices are: ex VAT, for the basic model, guides only and subject to change, as are specifications.