

THE TIME IS NOW, BRING DOWN THE GAME FARM INDUSTRY

*A step by step guide to sabotaging game farms
and putting an end to this fucked up industry.*

Game farming is abhorrent. Hunters will use the excuse of conservation as a justification for their murderous actions, but game farming cannot be sustained in any way. Breeding wild animals to be released with the sole purpose of killing them, modifying the countryside to suit the needs of the hunting community and killing all other wildlife in the process with the only aim of capitalising on animal exploitation. Game farming is, indeed, a multi million industry that can be toppled very easily using direct action.

As game farming is an incredibly lucrative business based on breeding and rearing wild animals, direct action focused on sabotaging the infrastructure and releasing the animals into the wild is the biggest and most impactful action anyone can do bring the business to their knees. I will repeat this to clarify: **YOU CAN STOP THIS INDUSTRY BY WALKING IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.**

This document will solely focus on how to liberate and sabotage game bird farms as a map has been made available with hundreds of entries throughout Europe where you can find your closest farms. That does not mean we do not encourage you to seek other farms, like deer, wild boar and even fox (yes, people are breeding foxes for hunting) and do exactly the same thing. You might need to modify some of the advice, but it will still be good for the most part.



WHY NOW?

This is a very simple answer. Right now, March and April, is when the farms are breeding their birds. They will collect the eggs, put them in incubators and then grow the birds into adult form to then sell to shoots. This means that taking action **RIGHT NOW** exponentially saves 20-30 lives per each bird you release. And you can release thousands in less than an hour.

The time is now too because we have seen an increase in this type of action. 2019 saw a huge increase of reports where people had released pheasants and partridge back into the wild causing serious headaches to game farmers. We believe that each and everybody reading this is able to take the same action and uncoordinated but simultaneously work to bring the industry down **THIS SEASON.**

It is important to add that if you are reading this after April there is still a chance. The birds will be kept in factory farm conditions up until August. Once the offspring is old enough to fly, get to the farms and open the runs to let them fly away! We are not done once the breeding season is over unless everybody gets to work now and brings the industry down in the next six weeks, so start learning about your closest farms and decide the best timing.

IS IT EFFECTIVE? IS IT ETHICAL?

People might question the actions. They will say that the birds will simply be shot wherever they have been released, and that might be true. We need to remember that a game farm is not a shoot and game farmers breed the birds to then transport them to very specific locations where shooting is more profitable. Releasing thousands of birds in one area will do a major disservice to the game shooting community and will undoubtedly cripple them economically.

Other people might try and put a case against this action by saying it is not ethical. Let's remember that the sole purpose of those birds in the farm is to end up dead by some scummy idiot holding a shotgun. Farmers have been seen planting dead birds for photo ops after their land gets raided and claiming that activists have killed thousands of birds. Let's remember who the enemy is, those farmers wanted the birds dead from the moment they were born.



HOW DO I CHOOSE A TARGET?

To start with head to this map:

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?mid=1uzyEb2Z8EW7LLByNhU1L5t2Fpv6SjmKf&ll=48.28151027057143%2C6.168701999999939&z=4>

If the map doesn't have any farms in your region, you're gonna have to do more leg work. If it does, you can now choose a few.

Go have a walk around without leaving much trace and being too suspicious and work out if it is a breeding farm (they will have adult birds locked up in March to start collecting the eggs in April) or if it is a rearing farm (there will be small chicks from May onwards).

If you found a breeding farm, you are good to go. If there is nothing where there should be a farm or if the farm seems empty, it is most likely a rearing farm. That means you should keep an eye on it and once they start rearing, you can get to work.

I AM SOLD. HOW DO I RAID THIS FUCKING PLACE?

Let's get to work. Firstly, a few words on what you will need:

- *Some disposable clothes, including gloves and face cover.*
- *Metal secateurs (or tin snips)*
- *Adjustable spanner*
- *A knife*
- *Scissors*

Needless to say that you should be prepared to ditch all the tools and not keep them at home. They should also be free of fingerprints.

1- Survey the farm:

Work your way around the farm, either during the day or during the night, to learn how everything works. Is there a house close by? Is there a pair of turkeys that like making loads of noise when you are around? Does it have any form of cameras, movement sensors or laser beams? Where are the birds? How old are they? What is your entry and exist points? What is the exact plan? How long is it going to take you to get from drop off to farm? Answer those questions and any others you believe are important. Work out a plan that keeps you and your colleagues safe whilst you take action.

2- Work out what you are dealing with:

A) If you are simply dealing with sheds, they should have doors, windows and low level access to the (maybe at the time unused) runs. You can open all doors and windows to let the birds fly, but it is recommended to open up as much space as possible to give the birds a good chance and to avoid them being injured when running away from you. If the sheds are plastic, slash them with the knife. If they are wood, you might need a crowbar to pop a wall off. The sheds might have gas canisters attached to them. You can close the gas canisters first, then use the spanner to take the valve and any other components that are easy to carry, throw away and that are expensive to the farm.



B) If you are dealing with breeding cages, you are in luck. Check if there is an overhead netting that might need removing first. If that is the case, it needs to be taken down completely and rolled into a ball to avoid any birds getting caught with it. Use those nice scissors to cut cable ties, to cut the netting, whatever it is, but do NOT let it simply dangling down as it will trap birds. Once you have removed the overhead netting (or if there was in fact no netting), open the cages. You can get open about 30 cages every minute. Work in rows and race opening as many as possible. The sound can be daunting as so many thousands of birds fly to the sky at the same time, but because you have worked out the location of the nearest houses you should be able to know where it is too risky to carry on.



C) If you are dealing with sheds that have access to run you have different options depending on the style of the run. Some runs are constructed with panels that tend to be held with rope or cable ties, those panels will be a basic wooden frame with some sort of mesh wire. Remove one or more panels off the run. Deal with the netting the same way as it has been explained for the overhead net in row cages. **DO NOT LEAVE IT HANGING!** Then walk in alongside your comrades and walking at the same time herd the birds towards the panel opening. Repeat for as many runs as the farm has. The sheds will also have birds that are sleeping inside and can be dealt the exact same way as described in the first point.



3- Sabotage, sabotage, sabotaje!

An important part of a game farm raid is making sure that if the farmer arrives before all the birds have dispersed, they cannot somehow put them back in the enclosures. Cut as much fencing material as possible (remember those tin snips?), destroy the panels, destroy the walls of the sheds, the wire mesh that holds the birds and any and all equipment they are using to abuse the birds. Be mindful with the gas bottles, close them first, disconnect the system, then cut pipes if necessary. You might find traps and hunting towers around the farm. You know what to do with those.



A NOTE ON SECURITY

As with any other underground action, loose lips sink ships! Plan this action with people you trust and do not let anyone else know. They don't need to know, you should not tell them.

As actions hit harder last year, some farms have introduced a little bit of extra security. Some have added movement sensors or laser alarms. If you cannot work out how to evade them, spend a couple of weeks triggering them constantly until there is no response from the farmers. You can also steal them or break them. The fact that they are installing higher alarm security is in fact wonderful news. The idea is to make breeding and rearing game birds unviable, so adding security will certainly make the whole enterprise more expensive.

REPORTING THE ACTION

This is pretty important. Send a report to info@directaction.info and name and shame the bastards you've raided. This will help other comrades that might be thinking about raiding the same place make their decision about it (whether is worth hitting them a second time or if it is a bit too risky just after another action). It also will help others feel inspired and join the fight. Be safe on the internet, use a VPN, use Tor as your browser and DO NOT use your personal email address. You can simply create a self deleting one by visiting 10minutemail.

This is your chance to be part of something huge. It is your chance to make something actually huge. You can save thousands if not tens of thousands of lives in a couple of hours and with very little equipment whilst costing the industry so much money they will not be able to carry on.

When if not now?
Who, if not YOU.