

Bontebok



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this certificate to:

Mechislav Klimovich

for taking a Bontebok

with a Rifle measuring 34 6/8

On a hunt in *R.S.A., N.W. Province* on 07/02/2011

Measured by Mechislav Klimovich on 07/03/2012.

Damaliscus dorcas dorcas

Bontebok (Sp), Buntbuck (G), Bontebok (F), Bontebok (Af).
The name "bontebok" was bestowed by early Dutch settlers near the Cape of Good Hope in allusion to the animal's many-colored coat.

DESCRIPTION Shoulder height 39-40 inches (99-102 cm).
Weight 160-180 pounds (72-82 kg).

The bontebok is a medium-sized antelope, similar in shape to the tsessebe and topi, but smaller and with the back much less sloping. It is a handsome, strikingly patterned, richly colored animal. The overall color is a rich dark brown with an iridescent purplish sheen, turning silvery fawn on the shoulders and back. There is a conspicuous white facial blaze from the base of the horns to the nose—usually unbroken, but sometimes divided by a narrow brown band. The large white rump patch extends above the base of the tail. The belly, the lower legs to above the knees, and the upper part of the tail are white. The horns (both sexes) are rather small, heavily ringed and lyrate. They are black in color, with the rings rather widely spaced and completely encircling the horns. Females are similar, but smaller, and have thinner horns.