

EUROPEAN FALLOW DEAR 2 AUSTRIA, Missenbach JANUAR 2008 MECHISLAV KLIMOVICH



SILVER AWARD 232 3/8

Damhirsch (G), Daim (F).

"Fallow" is from the Old English fealu, meaning a light yellowish-brown color. Sometimes called common fallow deer to distinguish it from the endangered Persian fallow deer (D. mesopotamica) of Iran.

DESCRIPTION (male) Shoulder height 36-43 inches (91-109 cm). Weight 140-220 pounds (64-100 kg), sometimes more. Females are smaller. Medium-sized, with more color variations than any other deer. The four

principal ones are: (1)
typical-summer coat of
rich brown with white
spots and lighter
underparts, changing to
dark gray-brown in winter
with spots barely visible;
(2) menil-pale fawn with
white spots; (3) white (but
not albino); and (4) black-



not actually black, but very dark brown. There are many intermediate color variations. Antlers have brow and trez tines (bez tines are usually absent), and are well-palmated at the top, with a number of tines coming off the rear edge of the palmation.