

# Pheasant & Partridge shooting season timeline (England & Wales)

# TIME FOR CHANGE

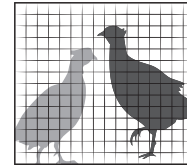
**JAN**



**FEB**

**SHOOTING SEASON / SEASON ENDS 31ST JAN**

Practice of 'catching up' old gamebirds in funnel traps with cock pheasants killed and hen pheasants kept for breeding.



**MAR**



Laying eggs commences and incubated for **21 days**

**JUN**

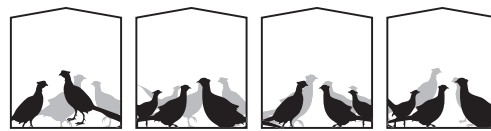
Laying, hatching, rearing and deliveries continue throughout May and June

Pheasants and partridges will begin being fitted with bits to their beaks and being let out of the brooding sheds into rearing pens.

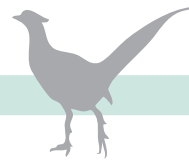
**June is the main part of the breeding season.**



**MAY**



**(2nd & 3rd week)**  
Satellite farms set up brooding sheds



**APR**



**(1st & 2nd week of April)**  
First hatch of poult (chicks)

**JUL**

Deliveries continue (At its peak)



**AUG**

Deliveries begin  
Game Farm satellite growing at their peak  
Poults begin to be released into wild

**SEP**

**PARTRIDGE SHOOTING SEASON STARTS 1ST SEPTEMBER**

Rearing, catching and deliveries (now partridges only) continue during September.  
The last delivery of partridge chicks takes place during the middle of September.

**DEC**

**SHOOTING SEASON**

**NOV**

**OCT**

**PHEASANT SHOOTING SEASON BEGINS ON 1ST OCTOBER.**

