

# Get Your Head Right

Arrowheads are tools. Do you have the right one for the job?

## JUDO POINT

**The Point:** A tough blunt head accompanied by grabbing wires makes the judo perfect for stump shooting and small-game hunting.

**Pros:** It grabs vegetation, making it tough to lose arrows.

**Cons:** Arrow flight isn't great on longer shots from fast bows.

**Tip:** Keep a judo-tipped arrow in your quiver for practice on stand.

## BIRD POINT

**The Point:** Looped wires protrude from around a blunt head to grab moving bird parts.

**Pros:** Wire loops can turn an almost-miss into a winner.

**Cons:** Flight is lousy on long shots (not that you'd want to take any).

**Tip:** Use flu-flu fletching (large feathers) to slow flight after 30 yards.

## FIXED-BLADE BROADHEAD

**The Point:** The simplest and most rugged design.

**Pros:** They cut on impact for better penetration.

**Cons:** They require sharpening, and some models don't fly well.

**Tip:** Shoot 5-inch fletching for the truest flight, and buy a quality mini-hone to touch them up.

## REPLACEABLE-BLADE BROADHEAD

**The Point:** Insert two to four blades in a ferrule and shoot razor-sharp heads without the hassle of whetstones and files.

**Pros:** Surgical-sharp blades cut well.

**Cons:** The tip must punch deep into the hide before the blades cut.

**Tip:** Remove the blades and practice with the head before the hunt.

## MECHANICAL BROADHEAD

**The Point:** Blades lie along the ferrule in flight, then activate when the tip connects with a solid object.

**Pros:** They shoot the same as the field points you use for practice.

**Cons:** Blades can malfunction on tough shots.

**Tip:** Shoot only at animals standing perfectly broadside.

## THE INGENIOUS OUTDOORSMAN



**WHETHER YOU'RE BUSTING** through a bird cover or slipping through the deer woods, a loose lace can be big trouble. This trick keeps lace loops snug.

**[1]** Crisscross-lace your hunting boots to your normal height, snugging as you go.

**[2]** When you crisscross on the last eyelet, leave the top loop loose.

**[3]** Run the shoelace back through that loop.

**[4]** Snug down firmly and repeat on the other side.

**[5]** Tighten and finish tying with the traditional overhand knot and bow.

**[6]** Add a double overhand knot for extra security.

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