

I hunt the other side of the mountain and have taken around 60 of my 80 elk there. This is the same herd just earlier in their migration. You will be overloaded with elk.







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If you are hunting for success this is the hunt to be on. When it gets down to brass tacks few outfitters have private and public land to provide their guided hunt on. Few only take 6 hunters in a deluxe camp promising a 2 on 1 guide ratio when have an extra guide in camp, that is the wrangler and the "Floater."

Quickly you will see that we are here to not just guide you but to see that you take an elk home with you, this is my promise to you.

Rocky Mountain elk and deer hunting camps are our specialty! We provide you with an Elk or Mule Deer Hunt that you will remember for the rest of your life. You are hunting in an area known well as the elk

Triangle, well known for its extremely high elk density. You will be hunting in an area holding a herd of over 60,000 head of elk. The Mule Deer Hunting is good but it is difficult to compete with a state like that on the elk. Mule Deer are drawn licenses and require an application be submitted in March. If you miss that sometimes a Landowner Vouchers can be purchased to buy a deer license but they are few and go fast. The elk on the other hand 2nd and 3rd season Bull licenses are available over the counter. No prior registration is required for those licenses and many times there are even cow elk licenses available for the 2nd and 3rd season if arrangement are made in July.

Now for the elk 1st and 4th season the licenses are available, bull or cow in the March drawing. Many times, there are leftover Bull and Cow license available that we can plan for in July and get the licenses first come first serve during the first week in August. The number of elk in this area is no secret so many people are buying license so they don't last long, with the first come first serve program.

We have hunted from horseback in the Routt National Forest for over 40 years. We offer two great Colorado rifle or archery hunting experiences: Full Service Hunting Camps and Drop Camps.

No matter which hunting experience you choose, you will be assured of being deep in the wilderness in prime deer and elk habitat. And we help you pack your meat and trophy out of camp at the end of the hunt.

All full-service camps are 5-day hunts with one experienced guide for every 2 hunters. We include everything you need for a memorable deer or elk hunt except your license, gun, scabbard, sleeping bag, and personal gear. Some of our hunting guides have been with us for over 20 years. Most of our hunters are repeat customers.

We hold an extremely high success rate for elk considering the state-wide average for bull Elk is about 10%. That is far from even acceptable. We hold an ongoing success rate of 80%-100% with a 100% opportunity. Along with the high success we average larger elk than most just because we have so many elk we pass on the small to shoot the larger ones. We will help you decide but when it comes down to it you own the trigger, our guides are just consultants. This says if you can shoot you are taking home and elk. In addition, I want to say we can take you to the elk but what you do with the trigger is all your knowledge, skill, experience, which much of it requires practice. I can't stress enough that when someone doesn't fill it points to a lack of practice.

All I can say is please practice as much as possible with your rifle before the hunt. Not just practice shooting from the bench. That just tells me the rifle and the scope hit the same place. Practice Kneeling, sitting and laying down shooting, that is most likely the way you will be shooting. Standing shots are only recommended as a quick shot and under 50 yards at that. Practice getting into each position quickly with your rifle and getting the cross hairs on a target.

In our full-service Camp, there is a maximum of 6 hunters in the Camp. They are guided 2 on 1 so there is 3 guides. In addition, there is an additional guide that acts as wrangler for the horses. Because of that it is not unusual to have a 1 on 1 at times and even more so as bull elk are hung up on the game pole.

Some days you will ride out early and hunt off horseback, but not shoot off horseback. The horses are very gentle because we do stable rides with the horses during the summer. No horsemanship is required to ride them. They have been this way many times and they know how to walk the trail and the steep parts in the dark. When you get off the horse to shoot the guide or someone will hold your horse if they

are not tied up. If they do get away they will head back to camp and wait for you. We always have extra horses in camp if needed.

Camp is an extremely fancy tent camp. Instead of one big wall tent for everyone we have multiple 2-man tents for privacy and snoring separation. It is no problem if you are a snorer like many people after the age of 40, just let the outfitter know and he will see that you have a tent by yourself.

We hunt the private or the back in route National Forest whichever is better for the season you are hunting. Elk move with cover changes, temperatures and snow or cold. We scout bot and with hunt histories we make certain that you are in the best place.

- We do the guiding, cooking, and wrangling.
- We clean, quarter, and transport your game out of the wilderness at no extra charge.
- You will sleep in one of our canvas wall tents equipped with cots, mattresses, and a wood burning stove.
- We ride into camp the Friday before each hunting season begins.

Full Service Rates (5-day elk & deer hunts)

- **Public** Land Hunt price is \$ 7000 reduced to only \$5,495/person
- **Private** Land Hunt price is \$ 7000 reduced to only \$5,495/person
- Full service hunting camps book up quickly – we highly recommend early reservations
- A deposit of 50% is required to hold reservations
- All hunting camps are in the Routt National Forest
- Permitted in Game Management Units 5, 14, 161, and 214
- Price includes base camp accommodations, food, cooking, wrangling, guiding, packing you and your gear in and out of camp, and field dressing and packing your meat and trophy out of camp
- All camps are accessible on horseback and all equipment is transported by horse
- Horses are kept in the Full-Service Hunt Camps and are utilized as needed throughout the hunt
- Guests are provided with separate sleeping/personal accommodations from staff including tents, cots, flooring, and wood stoves
- Guests must provide personal gear, weapon with ammunition, appropriate license, and transportation of trophy and meat after the hunt
- Hunting license and season info: [Colorado Department of Wildlife](#)
- Upon receipt of your deposit, we'll send you list of suggested items to bring

Archery and muzzleloading camps are available, as well.

- All hunting camps are in the Routt National Forest
- Permitted in Game Management Units 5, 14, 161, and 214
- Hunting license and season info: Colorado Department of Wildlife

Freight Hauls & Elk Packing if not in one of our hunts.

- Freight Hauls: \$375.00 per horse each way with a 4-horse minimum
- Elk Packing: Starting at \$500.00 per elk
- Each horse can carry up to 120 pounds
- Same rate for riding horses on freight hauls
- No charge for the guide horse if minimum rate met
- Availability based on dates & location

Drop camps

We pack you and your gear in and out of a fully-equipped camp in a prime Routt National Forest hunting location.

- Drop camps include: tents, stoves, cooking and eating utensils, a lantern, cots and pads
- You provide your own food and personal gear
- Each camp is approximately a 2-hour or about a 7-mile horseback ride from the trail head
- Drop camps are available for rifle, archery, and muzzleloading hunts in units 5, 14, 161, and 214
- We do not leave horses in drop camps

Drop Camp Rates (minimum of 4 people per camp)

- Public Land: \$2,495/person
- Drop camps fill up quickly – early booking is highly recommended

Drop Camp Information

- Permitted in Game Management Units 5, 14, 161, and 214 – drop camps are primarily located in Units 14, 161, and 214
- Price includes base camp accommodations, packing you and your personal gear in and

- out of camp, and packing your trophy and meat out of camp.
- All drop camps are accessed by horse – we take everything in and out on horseback, but we do not leave horses in any of our drop camps
- Drop camps areas provide good hunting for deer and elk within moderate walking distance of camp
- Base camp includes: tent, cots, kitchen, wood stove, lanterns, propane cooking stoves, propane, basic cooking necessities, dishes, axe, shovel, saw, and latrine
- Firewood is easily obtained near camp, but is not stacked in camp
- Water is available in or near camps, but should be treated/boiled to ensure safety
- Guests provide personal gear, weapon and ammunition, license, and all food needed for the duration of the trip

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Q & A

1) What hunting equipment & personal gear should I bring?

Rifle and archery hunting both require specific equipment. We offer two suggested lists of what hunting gear to bring. For rifle hunting, please view our Rifle Equipment List. For archery hunting, please view our Archery Equipment List.

2) Do I need a hunter education/safety card?

Anyone (CO resident or non-resident) born on or after January 1, 1949, must have a hunter safety card, regardless of which state you are coming from. The Colorado Division of Wildlife (CDOW) accepts hunter safety cards from other states. The CDOW offers information on replacing lost hunter education/safety cards or proving course completion. To obtain a hunter's education card contact your local DOW office.

You can also contact Safety-ED.com and take an online course/Test to expedite things.

3) What game management units (GMUs) are you permitted to hunt in?

We are insured and bonded. We operate in the Zirkel Wilderness Area and the Routt National Forest under a US Forest Service, a "Special Use Permit", and are permitted in Game Management Units(GMU) GMU005, GMU014, GMU161, and GMU214. At times, we have deer vouchers but most of the time DiscountedHunts has the best source for Landowner Vouchers.

4) How do I obtain a Colorado hunting license?

There are two ways to get a Colorado hunting license:

Limited Seasons: To apply for a Limited License, you must apply online or submit a paper application to CDOW. For questions on Limited Licenses or preference points, contact the Colorado Parks and Wildlife help line at 303-297-1192.

Over the Counter: Purchase an over the counter license from a CDOW license agent. Locally we recommend The Clark Store (970-879-3849 – 54175 RCR 129, Clark, CO 80428) or Straightline Outdoor Sports (970-879-7568 – 744 Lincoln Ave., Steamboat Springs, CO 80477).

5) What additional fees might I have?

In addition to the cost per hunter for a Full-Service Hunting camp or a Drop Camp, the following additional fees may apply:

Hunting License: See above.

Meat Processing & Shipping: Locally, we recommend Elk River Custom Wild Game Processing (970-846-7642 – 2464 Downhill Dr. #12, Steamboat Springs, CO.)

Taxidermy: Locally, we recommend B & L Taxidermy (970-879-1316 – 1744 Lincoln Avenue # 2, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477)

Airfare: Locally, we recommend Steamboat Central Reservations for air transportation. You can land at the local Airport in Haden or Steamboat Springs call the Yampa Valley Regional Airport.

Lodging Before/After Hunt: Locally, we recommend Steamboat Central Reservations for lodging.

6) What types of elk & deer hunts do you offer?

We offer several great Colorado Rifle, Muzzleloading, or Archery hunting experiences:

Full Service Hunting Camps: Our Full-Service Hunting Camps are 5-day hunts with one experienced guide for every 2 hunters. We include everything you need for a memorable deer or elk hunt.

Drop Camps: We pack you and your gear into, and out of a fully equipped Drop Camp in a prime Routt National Forest hunting location.

Freight Hauls: Depending on your desired hunting location within the Routt National Forest or Mt. Zirkel Wilderness area, we can pack you and your gear into and out of your selected camp

7) At what elevation will I hunt?

You will be hunting at high altitude. Our hunting camps range from 7,000 to 10,000 thousand feet in elevation. We highly recommend physical conditioning before the hunting season begins and suggest arriving several days early to acclimate. Hunting can be a physical sport. The better your physical conditions the more opportunities will come and be successful.

Archery Season We Go in on Sunday and come out on a Saturday (Break between 2 groups)
5-day hunt with 1 day (Saturday) in and 1 day (Sunday) out (season start last weekend of August)

Note: Because season dates and the days of the week don't align perfectly so the First week has a 1 day earlier and the last week has 1 extra day on the end.

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