







Hunt ID: 5027-G-N-2995-MDeerELK-CO-056-ALI5DAS-R5DK-A5RLK-Mutiple Hunts

**So you didn't draw a Mule Deer license in Colorado this year, here is a quick sale for two discounted Colorado Mule deer hunts on Private land, the vouchers run \$ 2000 and the hunt runs \$ 3000 and now get a Colorado guided 3 day hunt for only a total of \$ 2995 with the voucher included.**

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**Trophy Elk Hunt 1 on 1 in 100% draw area with big bulls on private land adds up to 300 plus bulls in the back of the truck!** That is the headline, we just need someone with a rifle to claim the headline and take one of the two 300 plus bulls on the property.

The outfitter scouted the ranch this morning and saw 140 cows and calves along with a 330 plus perfect 6x6 and a 310 plus 6x5 with extremely perfect symmetrical long tines on the ranch. The area looked like a feed lot since there were so many elk there. That part of the ranch is a calving area for the cows and calves and which is where they spend the summer. The cows and calves don't leave the area until they are pushed and if so they don't go far. They are more or less a local herd that the migrating herd mixes with through the migration period seasons.

The cow calf population is a magnet to the pre-rut and rut bulls so they move in annually and begin staying in the area about mid-August. Additional bulls move in as the rut instinct builds. This is all on this one ranch.

Why am I writing this to inform you? The first season this is a bull elk 1 on 1 hunt for the price of a 2 on 1 hunt, and you are the first one to greet the bulls with a real rifle. That's why I am telling you this. It is one voucher for 1 hunter, it is that simple. If you are looking for a Trophy Elk for the wall at a steal of a price it gets no better than this.

Welcome to the center of the earth, the place where you can get to anywhere-- and yes, you could get anywhere you want to from here. But why should you leave here when there impressive numbers of Mule Deer right here. This is a high density mule deer area, and having ranch and farm property- you get the best of both worlds. You will be hunting in a special draw only unit even for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> season elk.

If you take 10,000 acres and carve out what is the very best area, the place where you always find deer and squish it down to about 1000 acres you are here the center of the earth. Some call it Salida Colorado; we call it Deer and Elk Haven.

You will be hunting the famous **GMU056** which one of the very few units in the state that the licenses for both the deer and elk are so closely monitored. This leaves the options for deer and elk to become quality bucks and bulls when the Parks and Wildlife has this much control of the harvest quotas of a unit.

This close quota control allows deer and elk to "Dodge the Bullet" so to speak and get some age. This has made the deer and elk have a large span in age class in this unit.

If you were building a place to hold deer year around, no winter migration out of the area but possibly some migration into the area what would be there?

I know I would start with deer escape cover with fingers of timber providing visual cover and thermal cover with those great pinyon pines that deer love to bed in and eat around the bottom of them. Then bed on 1 side to catch the warming sun and the other to catch the cool afternoon

breeze. I would provide plenty of area for does to feel safe with their fawns and bait as many bucks as possible into the area. A lot of finger ridges with pinyon, cedar, juniper, pine, aspen & fir trees. Water is always an issue in the west, so a small creek for the year around live water source even in the winter in this semi-arid ground with a low amount of snowfall each winter. I would also have creeks with large creek bottoms with cottonwood trees and willows along the river bottom. Large irrigation ditches feeding the area to grow plenty of Alfalfa so there is never a problem with winter feed. This area the bucks are always in and a primitive weapon hunt, archery or muzzleloader would be great. This is also well suited to a low-impact hunt for a youngster or oldster. The animals are there with GREAT regularity.

There are always deer. Most of the bucks I'd call timber bucks, as their racks are narrower, higher and somewhat forward. The largest personally taken has been a 7x5. There are big bucks.....big smart bucks. The mountain property has high raked timber bucks. The valley property has wide raked flat land bucks; since the two properties are 5 miles apart the genes are completely different for the makeup of their antlers. . Most of the bigger bucks we have taken have high 20"/low 30" spreads.

As far as elk there are 2 major herds of elk that are on the property and off the property. We have harvested many 5 and 6 point bulls, as well as cow elk. The mountain property has all of the elk hunting.

Other than that there is an occasional mountain lion, black bear, and turkey flocks, and of course rabbits and coyote.

The areas elk and deer are closely managed and the sizes are exceptional. Because of that this is one of the few areas in western Colorado that there are no over the counter or leftover licenses, even for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> season over the counter. The leftovers are never available because it requires a point to draw.

The Hunting unit is GMU056 for reference. If you draw you are in. If you didn't draw the landowner has land owner has some vouchers for deer and elk. If available the landowner has deer vouchers for private land for deer at \$ 500 and elk vouchers at \$ 1000 for the property. All voucher payments are made directly to the landowner. There are only a total of 3 deer vouchers and about double that for elk.

Here is the list of hunts I have available I have had every single one of these hunts either cancel or guys change their minds within a matter of a week and a half.

#### **DK Ranch Salida**

4 archery deer Dates TBD  
\$ 5000 reduced down to only \$3995 Voucher included in price.

1 Archery Elk Dates TBD  
\$ 5000 reduced down to only \$3995 Voucher included in price.

#### ***Season Dates are as follows:***

***1<sup>st</sup> week 08/27/16-09/02 Archery***

***2<sup>st</sup> Week 09/03-09/09/ Archery***

**3<sup>rd</sup> week 09/10-09/18 Muzzleloader**  
**4<sup>th</sup> week 09/19-09/25 Archery**

2 Second season deer Dates October 22-30  
\$ 5000 reduced down to only \$ 3495 Voucher included in price.

### **WC Ranch**

3 second season Deer Dates October 22-30  
\$ 5000 reduced down to only \$3495 Voucher included in price.

2 Third Season Rut Deer Dates November 5-9  
\$ 5000 reduced down to only \$3495 voucher included in price.

All hunts are quoted as a 2 on 1 hunt. 1 on 1 hunts are an additional \$750 but you can shoot the biggest or the smallest buck or bull you see.

Lodging and meals are the hunter's responsibility and are available in town about 10 minutes away from the hunting property. If equipped booked hunters can camp on the property as long as they have a self-contained camper and leave the camping area the way they found it, clean. The last place we would want to make a mess is the center of the earth.



**Archery Season 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 8/26)**  
**Season Dates are as follows:**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> week 08/26-09/02</b>	<b>Archery*</b>
<b>2<sup>st</sup> Week 09/03-09/09</b>	<b>Archery</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> week 09/10-09/16</b>	<b>Muzzleloader/Archery</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> week 09/17-09/24</b>	<b>Archery*</b>

- **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.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Season 10/14--18**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Season 10/21-29**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Season 11/04-12**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Season 11/15-19**

# Big Game Season Dates and Fees

**2016 Big Game Season Dates** - [Check the regulation brochures for specifics and variations](#)

<b>Archery</b>	
Deer/elk (west of I-25 and Unit 140)	Aug. 27–Sept. 25*
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 1–28*
	Nov. 9–30
	Dec. 15–31
Moose	Sept. 10–25
Pronghorn (bucks only)	Aug. 15–Sept. 20
Pronghorn (either sex)	Sept. 1–20
<b>Muzzleloader (by draw only)</b>	
Deer/elk/moose	Sept. 10–18
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 8–16
Pronghorn	Sept. 21–29
<b>Rifle Deer/Elk/Moose</b>	
Moose	Oct. 1–14
Separate limited elk (1st season)	Oct. 15–19
Combined (deer/elk) (2nd season)	Oct. 22–30
(3rd season)	Nov. 5–13
Combined limited (deer/elk) (4th season)	Nov. 16–20
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 29–Nov. 8
Late plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Dec. 1–14

**Rifle Pronghorn (by draw only)**

Pronghorn

Oct. 1–7\*

**Black Bear**

Rifle limited (by draw)

Sept. 2–30

Archery (over-the-counter with caps)

Sept. 2–30

Muzzleloading (over-the-counter with caps)

Sept. 10–18

Rifle (over-the-counter with caps)

concurrent with deer/elk rifle seasons

*\*unless otherwise noted in the brochure tables***License Fees**

**Important Note:** Anyone ages 18-64 MUST purchase a Habitat Stamp in order to buy or apply for a preference point or for hunting or fishing license. For more information, see [Habitat Stamp Basics](#).

	<b>Resident</b>	<b>Nonresident</b>
Elk, Cow	\$ 49	\$ 469
Elk, Bull or Either Sex	\$ 49	\$ 629
Deer	\$ 34	\$ 379
Moose	\$ 254	\$ 2,084
Pronghorn, Buck or Doe	\$ 34	\$ 379
Bear	\$ 44	\$ 354

\*All prices include a 25-cent search-and-rescue fee, a 75-cent surcharge for the Wildlife Management Education Fund and a \$3 application fee for limited licenses applied for in the draw.

\*Nonresident fishing licenses are good through March 31.

<b>Habitat Stamps</b> (non-refundable)	<b>Resident</b>	<b>Nonresident</b>
<b>Habitat Stamp</b> (valid 4/1–3/31)	\$ 10	\$ 10
<b>Lifetime Habitat Stamp</b>	\$ 300.25	\$ 300.25



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