











Hunt ID: CO-ElkMDeer-SB2-ROL4-KKINI3

You like the idea of a pack in hunt but the part when night comes and the temperatures fall, the wind starts blowing the flap of the canvas tent, you sleeping bag and cot are live able but not enjoyable the first night but it goes downhill from there. Early morning out of a warm sleeping bag into the cold darkness starts to wear on you like the cold beans that greet you in the evening.

I have a limited number of **DIY Hunts with Meals and lodging** available that charge that. It is a ranch with cabins that each hunter is given a free horse to access almost 6000 acres of mountain property that does not allow motorized vehicles.

Tucked away in the Colorado Rockies in an area known as State Bridge and the famous Colorado River is an area accessible only by motorized vehicles, the hunting was great but waling all day hunting took a lot of the joy out of the hunt in the deer and elk rich country. An adjacent horse, cattle, and guest ranch where the Old West lifestyle still prevails was the answer.

The 3 guest houses made it even more enjoyable and the availability of horses to ride into the 6000 acres of know deer and antelope heaven just made it even better. Don't ride horses that are ok, but if you decide to there is one free to use for every guest. It will be saddles and ready for you when you leave every morning. A trick I use is to wear those bicycle shorts that have the padding for riding

bicycles all day have the padding in just the right places and work fantastic for you hunting and riding. How far you ride and how far you hunt is all up to you. The area has numerous cedar tree areas, sage, even aspens in the moist areas in the draws. Open meadows and dark timber on the north side. The area has deer and elk all year long with migrants coming in and going out with the seasons. Since access is restricted many deer and elk have found this to be a retreat when the hunting pressure comes from the motorized areas around it.

Choose from one of the three guest houses; or choose a rustic setting surrounded by wilderness and wildlife in one of the three log cabins.

And yes for those that do want to pack in and stay in that tent Pack-in-trips are available or stay in one of the cabins for day hunting as most do. These quickly book up and are booked for this year.

At the edge of the ranch begins this mountain full of deer and elk, and you can carry a license for both with no extra charge. The no Motorized vehicle restriction has required hunters to hunt on foot or horse back and the horse come with your lodging so you may as well ride it.

The cabins are nice and provide all the comforts of home. If you need assistance in getting your animal out just ask the ranch hands. The bulk of this is DIY hunting but there is guiding available at a additional fee but most are please to get back in the mountains without walking all day. You can return each evening to a home cooked meal in the Gathering Place and retire in the warmth of our cabins. From October through December there are several rifle seasons for deer and elk. September begins with Archery and muzzleloader for 10 days in the middle of the month. This hunt books early so it is a difficult one to get into with some dates booked into the following year.

You will be hunting in GMU026; this is known as the White River area herd.

The area has 26,000 Deer and 36,000 elk

The buck to doe ratio is 4 to 1 and the bull to cow ratio is also 4 two 1.

To clarify a cow with a calf from the current spring is considered 2 cows.

1<sup>st</sup> Season 4 people \$ 1995 each discounted down to only..... \$ 1395

2<sup>nd</sup> Season 4 people \$ 1995 each discounted down to only..... \$ 1395

2<sup>nd</sup> Season 6 people \$ 1995 each discounted down to only..... \$ 1395

## Big Game Season Dates and Fees

**2015 Big Game Season Dates-** [Check the regulation brochures for more specifics and variations](#)

**Archery**

Deer/elk (west of I-25 and Unit 140)	Aug. 29–Sept. 27
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 1–23
	Nov. 4–30
	Dec. 15–31
Moose	Sept. 12–27
Pronghorn (bucks only)	Aug. 15–31
Pronghorn (either sex)	Sept. 1–20
<b>Muzzleloader (by draw only)</b>	
Deer/elk/moose	Sept. 12–20
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 10–18
Pronghorn	Sept. 21–29
<b>Rifle Deer/Elk/Moose</b>	
Moose	Oct. 1–14
Separate limited elk (1st season)	Oct. 10–14
Combined (deer/elk) (2nd season)	Oct. 17–25
(3rd season)	Oct. 31–Nov. 8
Combined limited (deer/elk) (4th season)	Nov. 11–15
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 24–Nov. 3
Late plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Dec. 1–14
<b>Rifle Pronghorn (by draw only)</b>	
Pronghorn	Oct. 3–9
<b>Black Bear</b>	
Rifle limited (by draw)	Sept. 2–30
Archery (over-the-counter with caps)	Sept. 2–30



Muzzleloading (over-the-counter with caps)	Sept. 12–20
Rifle (over-the-counter with caps)	concurrent with deer/elk rifle seasons

## 2015 Colorado Hunting License Fees

Habitat Stamps (non-refundable)	Resident	Nonresident
Habitat Stamp (valid 4/1–3/31)	\$ 10	\$ 10
Lifetime Habitat Stamp	\$ 300.25	\$ 300.25
<b>Licenses Fees</b>		
(Note: When applying for a license, an additional \$3 non-refundable fee must be submitted with payment.)		
Elk, Cow	\$ 46	\$ 461
Elk, Bull or Either Sex	\$ 46	\$ 616
Deer	\$ 31	\$ 371
Moose	\$ 251	\$ 2,061
Pronghorn, Buck or Doe	\$ 31	\$ 371
Bear	\$ 41	\$ 351

\*License Fees include a 25-cent search & rescue fee and a 75-cent Wildlife Education surcharge.

\*All non-resident big game licenses are a big game and annual fishing combination license.

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