







Hunt ID: NM-BElk-INIC6ACL-R8R-ER9TROB

**Hunt dates available are 5 days between 12/1 and 12/31**

**This hunt has been reduced down from an original price of \$5000 to only \$ 2995 guided or for the DIY hunter only semi-guided is only \$ 2995. The semi-guided tour of the property is free. Landowner will show you around the ranch then you are on your own, what a steal for a high density migratory New Mexico Elk hunt! If you would like the hunt to be guided it is an additional \$ 1000.**

**You will be the only one hunting on the 2000 acre ranch. Hunt dates for all 5 vouchers are present to the end of Thanksgiving week or during the Christmas week. Still want to take a DIY Bull elk this year**

Last year we filled 100%, and there are even more elk coming this year! Question... Can you shoot?

Still want to take a DIY Bull elk this year in the 300 plus class 5x5 and 6x6 size mature bull elk?

5 Bull December Vouchers for December rifle \$2995 guiding extra for 5 day hunt. If you want a guided hunt it is \$1000. This is ideal for the DIY hunter. You will see hundreds of elk because there is a local herd and a huge migration that fills this ranch in December.

This is a last opportunity to shoot a Bull Elk on a private 2000 acres ranch this year the season runs from until December 31<sup>st</sup>. The ranch is cattle fenced around the perimeter making the boundaries easy to see. There are roads on the property to help getting the elk you shot out. The private ranch you will be hunting is south of Chama near the town of Brazos. The elk from Chama migrate to this ranch in the fall and winter to meet the local herd that is there all of the time.

The area is a prime family owned elk ranch with bulls currently staying on it which is normal. No other Bulls have been taken off it since last year. The ranch is west of Highway 285 and Tres Piedras ,New Mexico in the northern part of the state where the best elk hunting is located.

GMU 51: Beginning at the intersection of US 64 and the eastern boundary of the Tierra Amarilla grant, running south then west along the Tierra Amarilla grant boundary line to its intersection with the Rio Chama, then south along the Rio Chama to its intersection with the Piedra Lumbre grant boundary line, then northeast along the Piedra Lumbre grant boundary line to its intersection with US 84 northwest of Abiquiu, then southeast along US 84 to its intersection with NM 554 east of Abiquiu, then north and east along NM 554 to its intersection with NM 111, then south along NM 111 to its intersection with US 285 north of Ojo Caliente, then east and north along US 285 to its intersection with US 64 at Tres Piedras, then west along US 64 to its intersection with the Tierra Amarilla grant boundary.

The tag or vouchers are “ranch tags” and you are guaranteed access to this ranch, and guaranteed the right to purchase a New Mexico Elk License from the state.

Even with the residential herd there the masses come into the area for wintering in December, exactly when, has much to do with the weather. The cows and calves will show first followed by the larger bulls, and at the last are the biggest bulls.

Hunting them is usually the most successful by getting to a high point and glassing to locate the elk, if they are not in view it is move to another high point and glassing. Once the elk are spotted you can use the heavy cover on the ranch to get close enough for a shot from the downwind side. These elk are not as spooky as they are during the earlier season.

They have not been disturbed and are beginning the winter energy conservation mode which usually instead of running when they hear you they wait and see what you are, but they will all be looking just in no hurry to run. When the shot appears take it because there is no telling how long they will stay there although usually they circle around and stay on the ranch. You will be the only one hunting on this ranch of over 3 one mile square full of hills, thick bushes and trees, vast enough to hide an army.

The bulls this time of the year can be bachelor herded up because this is usually the end of their migration. When the first arrive it is not unusual to see them arriving are the end of a cow elk herd with a veteran cow in the lead.

They are easy to pattern this time of year because they are not disturbed. This is a working cattle ranch so there are open meadows that are always providing access to grass feed, which is where you will find them in the morning and evening. Because of the cooler temperatures they must eat morning and evening and unless they are pushed they don't go nocturnal as they do in the earlier seasons when there is more hunter pressure up north where the bulk of the elk migrate from.

When they are not in the open meadows they retreat back into the heavy cover where they are much more difficult to spot. They will stay there during mid day for the most part and return to the open evenings after 4 PM every evening. They usually return to the same open field to feed each evening but remember there are multiple herds in multiple fields every morning and evening so if you don't see a bull that you like move on to another field until you do.

Lodging is available locally in town. The outfitter will assist you with locating them.



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**GMU 51A and 51B:** The dividing line between GMUs 51A and 51B is US 84.

**Maps for GMU 51**  
 BLM Maps: Abiquiu Quad, Chama Quad, Taos Quad, and Wheeler Peak Quad.  
 US Forest Service Maps: Carson National Forest.  
 These and other maps may be found at NM Public Lands Information Center, (877) 851-8946, or visit <http://plmcenter.org/NM/>.

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