







Hunt ID: 5129-CO-D-L-2000-214-ElkMDeer-EAMB2OATSPR-O3GG-O2YTR- Private Land Deer and Elk

A mountain by any other name would be incorrect so we call it Elk Mountain. It provides habitat, lush habitat but more important it provides multiple type of habitat all within deer and elk walking distance, and from the cabin, walking distance as well. The property has it all, steep dark timber, thick aspen groves, open parks, scrub oak, and watering holes. Trout fishing is also available if you are a trout angler.

On hot days you will find the elk on it north slope in the dark timber and heavy spruce. This is the coolest place in the area. By 10 o'clock there is usually a little air movement provided by the heating of the land, which when hunting we call it "Mountain swirl." During the off season it is just call a little breeze.

You must understand elk and deer to understand why this 1500 acres private property with spotty hay fields is so good to hunt. Thermo cover is just a fancy name for the elk going one place when it is hot and another one when it is cold. They don't own a thermostat like you have in your house to regulate air temperatures.

The Landowner/Outfitter has made this a small group hunt so many times he is booked up because he has a 90% return rate. This hunt books at least a year in advance and is handled with a \$200 deposit for the next opening in the hunts on the property for deer and elk. Located near Steamboat springs Colorado it is well known for its elk herds and early season deer. This region quietly boasts the highest elk success rate in Colorado and add to this that this is private land in an area that has a large volume of National Forest.

With the exclusive elk hunts, seasons fill fast. Only one group (4 hunters) is allowed on our private 1500 acres cattle and hay field ranch in each season. Additionally, the ranch borders over 1500 acres of limited-access BLM land. You and your hunting group will not encounter any other hunters during your 5 day hunt, providing you with a special elk hunting experience with no external competition for game.

Deer Hunting is good as well but the elk seem to have center stage. The deer tend to migrate west as the cooler weather and increases. There are more deer earlier in the seasons but as the weather cools, and the snow falls the big bucks begin to show themselves as they follow the migration west ward to Craig Colorado.

The outfitter has constructed permanent blinds with a good view of the area in the prime areas deer and elk have been taken. The effort is to prevent pushing deer and elk off the property, but instead to allow deer and elk in the boarding national forest to be pushed by those hunters to the safety of this private land, simply put that is why there are deer and elk on the property on the opening days but it increases and the season continues. Many hunters know about the quality and volume of the elk and deer in this area so they cover the National Forest and the BLM land in the area. The cabin is available while you are hunting. Since we take a group of 4 hunters they don't always come together or know each other. We do everything possible to make it equally.

The cabin lodging on the premises is available upon request for an additional fee. Our hunting cabin is charming and rustic yet provides modern conveniences through solar power electric and a gray-water sink. The cabin will comfortably sleep 6 and has a kitchenette, range top cook stove and wood burning stove. The big picture windows let you scope the area from the cabin. Outside you'll find an outhouse with a spectacular view, a barbeque grill and buried fire pit.

This is a Semi-Guided hunt and since the hunters have first right of refusal for the following year. When you put your Security Deposit the date is recorded and we select in that order when there are openings.

Why Hunt Here?

- Exclusive access to our property ensures a private hunt.
- Ability to pack out game for you.
- Large herds of Elk and Mule Deer
- Spectacular scenery
- Only minutes from downtown Steamboat Springs hotels, restaurants, and shops.
- We are a 5th generation working cattle ranch, first settled in the 1930's.

The hunt is \$ 1995 per hunter. You are welcome to bring a camping trailer or tent and camp outside. We try to keep the traffic on the property as low as possible. A non-hunting guest is allowed with a \$200 season fee.

Note: Hunter Safety card required for anyone born after January 1, 1949. If you don't have one it can easily be obtained by taking a test on-line. Don't wait until the last minute to do it, since many will and you may have difficulty getting in online. Also, if you need assistance applying for a license feel free to ask for our assistance. Application date is in March so make preparations early so you have the best opportunity get the license you require. Hunter Safety Cards have become a Nation Wide Standard so to hunt in any state today they are required.

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