











Hunt ID: CO-5001

**Cabin for Pipeline Trail Ambush Hunt or Pack-in Drop Camp Hunt.**

Earlier seasons Pack-in, and later seasons Cabin Hunt. The best of both worlds and the Colorado Biggest Bull was shot here! This hunt does fill up quickly so only certain dates may be booked up early and at any time.

PRIVATE LAND RANCH HUNTS WITH BULL ELK LICENSES OVER THE COUNTER for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> seasons. 4<sup>th</sup> is a draw but is a 100% draw if applied for before the end of March.

We have two types of hunts in our elk rich areas of **GMU053** and **GMU521**. **I will provide you with some historical and current elk location information so that you are not just wandering on all our hunts.** The Elk Story, **“The Former World Record Elk** was killed here in 1899 by John Plute of Crested Butte.” This is in our permitted area to hunt.

**(1) The First hunt is a ranch hunt on 120 private acres surrounded by free access TO THOUSANDS OF ACRES OF BLM THAT YOU CAN ACCESS THROUGH THE PRIVATE PROPERTY VIA THE, "Back Door" providing access miles from where anyone else can even access. Bring an ATV for a short cut across the small river, and also to help get your Elk out they are as big as a horse.**

The best part of this is that it has private, but the BLM land is accessed through the private land in an area that no one else can get to. So, you are in an area that the only hunters that you see are the ones that you had breakfast with. Of course, the cabin is warm which is appreciated on those cold mornings. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Season options. 2<sup>nd</sup> Season and 3<sup>rd</sup> Season is over the counter unlimited Bull Elk licenses, Cows are a draw, but usually does not usually require points to draw. The 4<sup>th</sup> season Bull and Cow licenses are a draw, with good drawing success. The Elk spend their summers, fall up on the mountain, and migrate down to the hayfields below. Weather is your friend it moves the elk down off the mountain, many through a large traveling corridor left by a large underground water transfer pipe through the timber, down to the hayfields below. When it was installed many years ago the trees were removed for the work and a large right-away path. This has turned into the elks interstate highway

You can stay in town 12 miles away (Paonia if you reserve a room early enough) and hunt here or for a slight upgrade of \$ 200 you can stay in a cabin on the ranch with a shower that feels so good after a day's hunt. This hunt is limited to 3-4 hunters per season on a 5-day hunt. You pick your 5 days during that season. The ranch property is relatively mild walking and has a stream. Next to the private property is your own access to National Forest. That property can change this from a Low Impact hunt to a Medium Impact hunt if you access the National Forest property. One of the key areas to watch is the canal right-away that the elk use as a migration and travel corridor. Elk frequent this route as they move to and from feed, water and cover along with migration. It is common during migration as well as the other activities to see elk to come down the route in the morning and back up in the afternoon.

Currently available is 3rd season which have over the counter bull elk licenses. The 4<sup>th</sup> is a draw or leftover situation for licenses. Many times, there are leftover cow licenses if you would rather shoot a cow instead of a bull. We can also assist you in getting your elk out with a \$ 300 pack out fee per animal. This hunt is 5 days of one of the seasons the first one to book gets their choice of 3rd or 4<sup>th</sup> season. It has a minimum of 3 hunters and a maximum of 4 hunters. You can select any 5 days of your season.

**(2) The Second option with the same outfitter is a Traditional Pack-in on Horse Back Semi-Guided Hunt. This hunt is about a 7-10 mile packing with your gear, to a pre-setup tent camp with Cots and cooking utensils, bring your own sleeping bag and food.**

The Guide/wrangler will advise you of the historical best places to hunt, because he has retrieved elk from those locations to give you a starting place to hunt, then it is completely up to you to put an elk down. The success on this hunt is high but the major factor for success is not the elk available, but the skill of each hunter in finding and putting down an elk, not the number of opportunities. This is a good elk hunting area. If he sets a hunter success number for the average hunter, then the question is raised how good your hiking is, hunting skills.... Average or better than average. Then there is no way of saying

at what level the earlier hunters' skills were to grade it off of. If your skills are better than average, then your success rate will be better than average.

The \$500 pack out of your elk is free with this hunt so fill your tags then it is the Outfitters problem, on getting your elk out. The only thing required for preparation to pack out your elk is that you must get it to where the horse can get to it and there is room enough to load the horses. It is best to quarter out the elk so that the wrangler that comes in to get your elk. They will usually take out the 2 hind quarters on 1 horse and everything else on the other.

### DIY Hunts - Ranch Hunts and Drop Camps

Description	Duration	Cost x number of hunters
5 days' rifle 3 hunters	\$3000 discounted down to only	\$ 1,995 per person
5 days' rifle 4 hunters	\$3000 discounted down to only	\$ 1,895 per person

### Extra Days After 5, Cabin Lodging

Ranch Cabin lodging for your Ranch Hunt is \$500 discounted to only \$ 195 per person  
This is less than what you would pay in town if you could get a room there and a lot of driving back and forth. The cabin is furnished and has the facilities to cook your own meals.

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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 prepare 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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