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A GREAT WAY TO GET A TROPHY MULE DEER FOR YOUR WALL WITH NO POINTS REQUIRED TO GET THE LICENSE ONLY 4 AVAILABLE PER YEAR, FREE VOUCHER IF YOU GET IN!!

### **Mule Deer**

Trophy Mule Deer hunts 3rd season PRIVATE RANCH HUNTING SAFARI STYLE, (Drive, Glass, Spot and Stalk) limited but I have a few in GMU077, GMU078 and GMU771 by the famous Pagosa Springs the SW Corner of



Colorado. These are guided Mule Deer on Private ranches with vouchers included and limited but available to get you the way to buy a Mule Deer License for the hunt.

His history of the bucks taken each year supplies a trophy class Mule Deer list as long as your arm. Management, genes, feed and safety is the recipe for these broad river bottom giants.

As the deer vouchers come out in June the ones with the booking on the earliest date get the choice of the mule deer first. I highly recommend that if you are interested that you book this a year in advance. It is extremely seldom that you can even buy a 4<sup>th</sup> season hunt/voucher at any price. Trophy Mule Deer Hunt for 5 days with meals and lodging and deer that area averages 150-190.

This is a minimal impact hunt on ranches down in the river valley, mostly spot and stalk. He has been 100% success for the last 5 years on this hunt. He has 2 different ranches with some having Alfalfa on them. You will be hunting in is for GMU077, GMU078 and GMU771.

These hunts are ~~\$6900~~ but I have access to the last two hunts with **free vouchers included** if needed. All for only \$5995. In the past I have seen Vouchers for the 4<sup>th</sup> season in this area go with the hunt for \$7500, when there are vouchers available for the 4<sup>th</sup> season.

It's not a problem this year if it is too high of a price, because there are none available for 4<sup>TH</sup> season this year anyway.

This is a Senior Citizen minimal impact, drive and glass, spot, then out of the vehicle to stalk and shoot. Also known as, "A Safari Style Hunt." With short walks at times to check on specific hone holes inside the ranches. This year with the 3<sup>rd</sup> season 1 full week later than it has been in the past it will be like hunting the 4<sup>th</sup> season anyway, with a 4<sup>th</sup> season well into the rut beginning November few have ever hunted this late in November for Trophy Mule Deer in Colorado. In the past even the hard to get Vouchers for 4<sup>th</sup> would only have allowed you to hunt until November 17<sup>th</sup> as your last day of season.

You will be guided 2 on 1 driving through river bottom country with breaks where these big bucks' bed. Meals and Lodging are included. If you have been looking for a big mule deer to be your life trophy this is it and it is \$1000



under market price. I only have 2 available, he only takes 4 deer per year. The problem is that they go fast with a phone call and a credit card.

Last year he did 2 Mule deer hunts and both deer were over 190 inches. These have a deposit paid on them a year to 2 years in advance. The other option is that the points to draw GMU077 is only 3 points for a 3<sup>rd</sup> season license. The price is no different if you draw your license or use one of his vouchers, the vouchers are included at no charge with the hunt. So, don't bother to save your points to get into this Juristic Park of Mule Deer.

Big Bucks and Big Bulls are his specialty! Not at the same place but a secret place for each of them and the reason why they are there, and he continues to pull out free ranging trophies year after year on these 5 day hunts on multiple properties in this premium hunting area, that has always been known for its big Mule Deer Bucks .

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## **ELK**

Note: Elk and Deer are separate hunts. The deer down in the private ranches, low impact hunt and the Elk are up on the mountain above and below timberline, horseback hunting from horses, medium to high impact depending on the season and conditions.

It is a mountain Cabin horseback for trophy elk with very, very many over 300 inches taken with last year bringing home a 365" bull. The trophy elk are up at 11,500 feet, the deer although there are some between the cabin and the elk they are not as plentiful in large sizes as they are down on the much lower river bottoms private ground. With that said, you can have a low land trophy deer hunt. Or a high-country elk only hunt, or a high-country deer and elk hunt. The Deer fluctuates depending on the price of the voucher, because this area is a difficult area to draw, another reason for the big bucks.

The Elk hunt is only ~~\$6995~~ but reduced to only \$4995.

If you ever remember anything in life remember this, "An outfitter is only as good as his ground he hunts." He can't make elk; he can just find them. The



more times he finds them during a hunt the more you can say he is a good outfitter... or damn lucky!

This outfitter is just plain good and has built his success on his ability on his ability to provide shot opportunities to his hunter at a range close enough that the shot is also a success, not just shot opportunity.

He says there is some luck of course but 20 plus years of outfitting with hunting before that in a good area (GMU077 GMU078 GMU711) doesn't hurt a bit to shave the odds in your favor. If you were walking it you would say that those three units are larger than the state of Texas, but his horses make short work of it.

His ability to move and go where the elk are is another key point in his success. Elk are always a moving target. The elk herds are like a caravan of gypsies, they have their core area like the deer, but they have no problem leaving one core area and the new core may be on the other side of a mountain 5 miles away. Elk are like gypsies they don't have a home ground like a whitetail deer. They will stay in a region for a short time but when the food is gone, or the safety shield has broken they are on the move, going through places that they like the habitat and in the migration corridor. His archer and rifle hunt take place in a remote area where the continental divide is the separation between where they can hunt and a Quality Trophy area that has a bull elk average age as high as 7 years old. Because of this the quality bulls are more common than any place you can hunt. If you wonder where the trophy bulls are taken in Colorado and kept quiet, this is it. With Archers and Muzzleloader taking advantage of these big bulls during the rut. During the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> rifle seasons these bulls migrate into your unit and head for the lower altitude and dark timber before the snow gets deep.

The dark timber contains is safety and only a short distance from hay and alfalfa fields. The open fields get covered with snow but the wind going through these open areas blows it off as soon as it falls, and the weather system moves out.



His cabin, his horses and trailers are a big part of his mobility to be able quickly pick up stakes like the elk and go to a different neighborhood.

Some call it “Plan B”, he just calls it elk hunting.

His guides are worth bragging on. Every one of them are archers during their free time. A successful archer knows elk inside and out, it shows in his success when the hunt is done.

I though the first line above was the most important but I lied, this last one is. The ability of an outfitter to have all these wheels in place and to have them work together like a well-oiled wheel is important. Add to this each of these wheels’ skills, knowledge and responsibilities, are a large part of his successful Trophy hunts that his hunters see and become successful trophy elk hunters during their time together.

Now is the part known as, “If you ever remember anything in life remember this?”

Because even if his ground isn’t good, he can quickly pickup and move onto ground that is. In this case private ground or high-altitude ground which is ever more prosperous at the time.

His hunt prices are simple. Come hunt elk with him which you will always have to work previously booked hunters to get a spot and you will understand after seeing what you read above was all about, high success with large Colorado Bulls hitting the dirt.

His family and skilled purists make up the team that control you week of hunt and are highly responsible for the outcome. Highly, but not completely because you must make one shot true and accurate, they do everything else.

He has been approved by the North American Hunting Club for his skills as an outfitter. With that he supplies fully guided archery, black powder, and rifle hunts on private land and the San Juan National Forest. He does spread his skill around by supplying Drop Camps to DIY hunters in these prime units. All guided hunts include first-class lodging, meals, and experienced guides.

His hunts include the pursuit of Elk, Black Bear, Mule Deer and Merriam's Turkey, guided or drop camp depending on the availability.

There is no off season during the summer he offer drop camps and Summer pack and high-country fishing trips along with straight horse leasing to those that aren't equine or should I say Cowboy challenged.

All Dates are Approximate since they change slightly every year

### Spring Turkey Hunt

April 10 - May 23

Elk 1st and 4th can be drawn with 0 point and drawn, 2nd and 3rd are unlimited and over the counter Bulls.

Deer 2<sup>nd</sup> season requires 0-1 34% with 0 Points/100% with 1 Points

Deer 3<sup>rd</sup> Season requires 1-2 19% with 1 point/100% with 2 Points

Deer 4th season requires 4-5 63% with 4 Points/100% with 5 Points

Weather: You can expect in the in the early seasons slightly freezing temperatures at night with midday fair and warmer. The possibility of snow or rain always exists. As the season progresses, temperatures 10° to 20° below zero at night are likely with snow and the need of a heavy jacket even in midday. However, the reverse can be the case in either season. One rule to remember the worse the weather the better the hunting because the animals must move and provide shots that in blue bird weather would not happen making them more vulnerable to shot.

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