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PRIVATE LAND RANCH HUNTS FOR ONLY \$3000 each reduced to only \$1395 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. The Cabin Hunts are Semi-Guided and best during the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> season. The drop camp hunt are at higher altitudes and are Archery, Muzzleloader, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> rifle seasons. The altitude is too high for 4<sup>th</sup> season drop camp hunts. There are no guided hunts with this outfitter.

We look forward to enjoying the Rocky Mountains with you. When we pack in we are not just hunting national forest, we are hunting a designated Wilderness area, the West Elk Wilderness Area, where no motorized vehicles are permitted, and it is foot or horseback only. This is a big advantage to the game animal's density and the quality of the elk and deer that we take. This Quality Mule Deer area so it requires 4 points to draw a deer license or a voucher.

We have two types of hunts in our elk rich areas of **GMU053** and **GMU521**. **All the DIY hunts are \$3000 discounted down to only \$1495. I will provide you with some historical and current elk location information so that you are not just wandering on all of 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 and NATIONAL FOREST THAT YOU HAVE TO YOURSELF BECAUSE IT IS SO FAR BACK IN FROM OTHER ACCESS THAT YOU CAN ACCESS THROUGH THE PRIVATE PROPERTY VIA THE, "Back Door" providing access miles from where anyone else can even access.**

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.

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. Adjacent 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 not uncommon 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. The second license if you have a bull and a cow or a bull and a buck has a \$ 500 cost to have it in your pocket. 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 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>rd</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 hunt is a wilderness pack in hunts that take you to the center of where the elk are at that time of the year.**

You and your group will be drop camped into an area that only contains you and elk. Other hunters cannot get to where you due to distance or natural boundaries. You camp is fully supplied just bring you bedroll, personal gear, rifle and ammo. We provide 1 free elk pack out for each hunter.

We are glad you have decided to join us in the Colorado Rockies for a Wilderness Colorado Hunt. We are licensed professional guides and outfitters. We have been in operation since 2002 outfitting hunters in the West Elk and Ragged Wilderness areas of Colorado near Crested Butte.

We take you elk hunting, mule deer hunting, bear hunting, and turkey hunting in the West Elk and Raggeds Wilderness areas in Colorado near Crested Butte. Seasonal muzzle loader, archery, black powder, and rifle hunting is available with drop camps and full service horseback outfitting. Drop Camps and Spike Camps. Even though they are called drop camps we don't just drop you and ride away. There is an orientation that references the area and the successful locations along with maps to point out these locations for reference.

We offer drop camps and spike camps are reasonably priced and very popular. You are dropped off by our packers at a fully outfitted drop camps (food not included) by horseback. Our drop camps are fully outfitted with all of the standard camp essentials: canvas tents, propane stoves, propane lights, cots, tables, and all the cooking gear you will need. These are wilderness drop camps, where you are taken in and dropped off by horseback at these drop camps. We then let you know where animals have been seen and harvested in the past. The drop camps are recommended for experienced hunters who want to get deep into the back country without all of packing in and setting up of a wilderness camp. We highly recommend renting a Satellite phone for your safety, and secondly, to communicate with us if you get meat down. This is a wilderness area not a national forest area. The cell towers don't exist that would cover this primitive area. Many people explain it as, "You are off the Grid. "Once you call after the animal is shot, we can schedule to pack out your harvested animal.

We believe in safety first and take pride in what we do, providing you with safe and successful hunts. Our guides are CPR and First Aid certified, very knowledgeable about the area, and have years of experience.

\*\*\*Guided hunts are only upon special request and limited.

**THIS OUTFITTER IS FULL AT THIS TIME EXCEPT FOR THE 3<sup>ND</sup> AND 4<sup>RD</sup> SEASON RIFLE ALONG WITH A WEEK OR TWO DURING ARCHERY AS DROP CAMPS. THE AREA IS KNOWN FOR BIG BULLS AND THE PRICES ARE DISCOUNTED BELOW MARKET PRICES FOR SIMILAR HUNTS.**

**DIY Hunts - Ranch Hunts and Drop Camps**

Description	Duration	Cost x number of hunters
5 days' rifle 3 hunters	\$3000 discounted down to only	\$ 1,595 per person
5 days' rifle 4 hunters	\$3000 discounted down to only	\$ 1,495 per person

**Extra Days above 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 Paonia 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.

**1 Day Guiding Available**

If you would like a 1 day guided hunt they will guide 2 hunters for 1 day for an additional fee. The outfitter will hunt with you and show you the honey holes.



We try to provide you as many days as possible to hunt when you are here. Sometimes the calendar and season dates don't allow us as long as possible. We will confirm the dates so you know when to arrive the day before your schedules pack in dates. On pack in hunts there is one day to pack in and 1 day to pack out for your hunting trip. The Ranch is 7,500 feet in elevation and our early season hunt camps are

at 9000 feet plus. This is where the game spends the early season and move down as the weather pushes them.

Our guided Colorado hunts are traditional horse and mule pack in hunting camps. These guided hunts are in the West Elk and Raggeds Wilderness areas in the Gunnison National Forest. No motorized vehicles are allowed in these areas. This improves the quality of the guided hunts and your hunting experience. Professional guides and experienced mountain horses get you to those remote areas where you will find game. During your guided hunts we hunt hard using calls and the stalking method, depending on the season. Our chief cooks hardy mountain meals for those long days in the woods. The camp accommodations are dry canvas tents with wood and propane stoves, propane lights, cots with pads, and tables. Our guided hunts and camps are limited to small groups. We will provide you with a safe, ethical, comfortable, and exciting wilderness hunting experience. We hunt early at the 9000 foot plus elevations and slowly lower our hunting altitudes as the game migrates lower. Even with that we pack in approximately 6 miles from the ranch.

You will be hunting, deep into the heart of the West Elk Wilderness and Raggeds Wilderness areas. The Colorado Rocky Mountains are the perfect place for your Colorado Hunts, a wilderness hunting adventure to remember, you won't know the rest of the world is even out there!

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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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