







Hunt ID: NE-6004

**Note: If you are 30 years of age or older you are NOT required to have Hunter Safety card to hunt with a rifle or a bow in the state. This state is one of the few exceptions to the nationwide Hunter Safety Card Requirement. It is recommended but not required.**

**Discounted any weapon river bottom with corn and alfalfa whitetail hunt in the famous record book location on the Niobrara River in northern Nebraska!**

**Hunting Location: 1 hour East of Valentine, Nebraska**

**Nebraska Hunting License code for Rifle hunting is “Deer Keya Paha Firearm”**

**The license for an adult is only \$ 249 with Habitat stamp and a youth buck is only \$8.**

**Tags are available first come, first served, on line -- and there are about 1,900 buck tags available. The same license can take a mule deer or a whitetail so we control it by the number of mule deer hunters we take each year because most of the ranch is Whitetail.**

**The Nebraska Rifle season begins the second Saturday in November and runs 9 Days**

**1<sup>st</sup> 4 Days RUT Rifle Deer ~~\$ 3250~~ reduced to only..... \$1695**

**Last 4 Days RUT Rifle Deer ~~\$ 3250~~ reduced to only..... \$1695 (Add Turkey \$100)**

**5 Day December Muzzleloader Hunt Sell Price \$ 3000 – reduced to only..... \$1395**

**5 Day 10/15-12/31 Archery Hunt Sell Price \$ 2800 – reduced to only .....\$1295**

**Prices \$ 300 higher for the three Mule Deer Hunts.**

**Turkey Hunts**

**Three Day Spring Turkey hunts are \$ 495 for one Toms.**

**Three Day Spring Turkey hunts are \$ 595 for two Toms.**

**Bird and Beast Hunt**

**Also, the Deer hunters that select the last 4 days of the season during the rut in November can also take a turkey for \$100. (November Rifle Hunt) The second group can also shoot turkeys with shotguns after the deer hunting is done. There is a fee of \$100 per tom turkey shot.**

**This is a DIY hunt, great hunt for 2 buddies or a father and son hunt.**

**You will be on a 7000 acre ranch/farm with alfalfa, corn, CRP, woodlots, creeks and river bottoms.**

**The land owner will help you select your place to hunt and be successful.**

**As of yesterday there were 4 slots available but things change quickly so call with questions and a credit card to not miss out on this low cost DIY private land whitetail deer hunt.**

**There are only 8 hunters total- 4 per hunt allowed on this hunt! That is almost no pressure. Deer here will average in the 120” to 150“in this area, but there are deer there that will push into the book. All stands are erected on crossings, pinch points, food areas, and travel corridors and so on. You can also hunt the whitetail the western way without a formal blind just hide low in the ground somewhere that your scent won’t give you away. You will be directed to a stand in the area you are hunting that history has proven it produces.**

**These hunts hit PEAK rut, and bucks are moving. We work hard though not to upset the normal patterns.**

**The wet springs have done a good job on bringing in twins every time. The large population of whitetail has pushed into this area because we are seeing big bucks with 5 years under their belt.**

**It is easy getting a license for this area because there is so much private property very few people are buying licenses. With the private land the deer numbers are going through the roof. These will be what we later call, "The Good Old Days."**

**Hunters are required to pay for their own lodging and meals which are very affordable. Usually Butte 18 miles away is the normal source which makes the ride to the hunting area about 20 minutes. The landowner and his son farm and ranch the 7000 acres of sprawling deer and turkey country riddled with streams, creeks, woodlots, corn fields, irrigated alfalfa fields and many acres of left alone CRP grass which the deer bed in because of its lack of activity. He sees deer every day just in the daily work of running the farm and working cattle. He will offer you some suggestions as to where he has been seeing the biggest bucks lately and set you in a crossing or feeding area for success.**

**There is Mule Deer hunting allowed here. The landowner only allows 3 Mule Deer hunters per year. The deer licenses are easy to get in this area and if you hunt mule deer and are having a problems you can move to other areas of the ranch that have great whitetail hunting that the ranch is famous for.**

**One thing- we do this for fun, the profit is very small. So we do not want anyone who is a complainer or a braggart. WE want folks with sunny dispositions and we will bust our backs to get you good deer. You will see bucks; you will have fun; and you should go home with a good deer. But never is there a guarantee with free ranging whitetails! This is a great property; it has some big bucks, but luck and skill still plays a role in who you go home with.**

**Deposit of 50% required. Drive out, or fly to Omaha and rent a car.**

*CHADRON, Neb. – Nebraska's deer seasons wrapped up in mid-January and preliminary numbers show the harvest was up in the Panhandle. Through all seasons, hunters checked in 8,072 deer in the region compared to 7,815 the previous year — a 3.3 percent increase.*

*The Panhandle's overall number of harvested deer consists of 4,717 mule deer and 3,355 whitetails. Three of the four westernmost units in the state – Pine Ridge, Plains and Sandhills — reported more deer harvested this fall and winter than over the same period last year. Only the Upper Platte Unit experienced a decrease in harvested deer.*

*Micah Ellstrom of Alliance, a wildlife manager in the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission's northwest district, said the increased harvest is not surprising since Commission staff have gradually been observing more deer in the region.*

*"Deer numbers are improving from levels where they have been," Ellstrom said. "It is the result of slight increases over time district-wide."*

*The populations have improved from 2012 when drought and disease took a toll.*

*The most significant increase of harvest was in the Plains Unit, which lies between the Niobrara River and U.S. Highway 26 from the Wyoming line eastward to Hyannis and Arthur. Hunters there harvested 2,106 deer for a 9.7 percent increase over 2016.*

*The Pine Ridge Unit, which consists of all land north of the Niobrara River from the Wyoming line to Gordon, reported the most deer checked in of any Panhandle Unit with 2,343, a 3.3 percent increase over the previous year.*

*Hunters in the Sandhills Unit, which encompasses the expanse between Valentine, Gordon, Arthur and Stapleton, checked in 2,052 deer for a 4.6 percent increase.*

*The Upper Platte Unit in the Panhandle's southwest corner had 1,571 deer for a 5.6 percent decrease.*

*Most of Nebraska's deer harvest occurs during the nine-day November firearm season. The state's deer hunting begins in September with the archery season and runs through the muzzleloader season in December and the late-antlerless-only period in early January.*

This is a whitetail hunt on alfalfa, corn and wheat fields along rivers and woodlots. The Mule deer are in the northern part of the ranch in the ranch and pasture land around the corn.

**The only think that books quicker than the turkey are the 3 Mule deer hunts.**

Level of Guiding: DIY with assist land hunts with a tour of the 7000 acre ranch and a map of the property. Lodging/meals: Not included. A local motel and restaurant is located eight miles from hunting area.

Application date deadline: Sale begins July 7 for non-resident tags and they are available on the internet on a first come first serve basis usually they are available almost until the beginning of November. Archery and muzzle loader tags are unlimited. You can select which season and weapon you want to use but only a total of three mule deer hunts per year.

There are two or 3 small towns in the area with motels and restraints when you book we will give you their contact information.

**This is premium farm ground and you will see many, many deer daily. Good deer are taken off this farm every year. You will be hunting Alfalfa, Corn and creek bottom along with patches of CRP. The rut is on during the Rifle season which is divided up into 2, 4 day groups with a two day break in between.**

**This farm hunt has enjoyed a 100% shot opportunity rate for rifle hunters most of the time. This farm is so promising for big deer that Cabela's had offered to lease it for whitetail and turkey hunting. The landowner did not lease it; the land is here for you. These are five tree stands and I recommend bringing a ground blind in case deer patterns change.**

**Opportunity/success: Deer Rifle=100 % opportunity and 99.99% success**

**Deer Archery - 100% opportunity and 50% success**

**Deer Muzzleloader - 100% opportunity and 99.99% success**

**Season dates: Fall Turkey Archery 10/1-12/31; Shotgun 10/11-12/31**

**Comments: The tree stands currently located on the farm are in high traffic fields, but ground or natural blinds are recommended. You will be hunting corn and alfalfa fields along with shelter belts (trees rows), juniper ridges and river bottom property. The owner will be there to help direct you to places where he has patterned deer. He has lived there all his life.**

**The turkeys are multiplying like rabbits. We have a lot of old toms mixed with Jake's and a successful spring hatch we have been seeing as the norm now days. The wet springs have been great to provide bugs for the hatching chicks and it shows. We even have the ability for you to take 2 Toms while you are here if you select that option.**

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**Booking requires 50% down and the balance is due 45 days before the hunt.**

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Licensing Detail:

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With your leadership and knowledge, bonds will be strengthened and a first-time hunter will become a lifetime hunter. Make a connection like nowhere else on earth. Take a youth hunting. Nebraska provides youth the opportunity to purchase up to two youth permits valid for the harvesting of either sex deer in any unit of the state using the appropriate harvest method for that season.

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