

THIRTY YEARS  
OF OUTFITTING  
EXCELLENCE



COLORADO'S  
PREMIER  
WILDERNESS  
OUTFITTER

## 2012 DATE & PRICE LIST REFERENCES & GENERAL INFORMATION

### LICENSES

Most of our hunts are combinations of elk and deer. If you have the appropriate licenses you may hunt one or both animals for the same price.

### SEASON

Archery Elk  
Muzzleloader Elk  
1st Rifle Elk  
2nd & 3rd Rifle Elk  
4th Rifle Elk  
All Deer Seasons

### LICENSE

Over-the-Counter  
Draw\*  
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### COMMENT

No draw required  
In recent years its taken 2-3 preference points to draw  
92% draw success rate in 2011 without preference point  
No draw required  
94% draw success rate in 2011 without preference points  
100% of our hunters have drawn

\*Application Deadline April 3, 2012

NEW FOR  
2012

### 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL - KIDS HUNT FREE AT WINTERHAWK IN 2012!

To celebrate our 30th anniversary, and to introduce more of today's youth to the sport of hunting, we're offering youth hunters age 12 to 16 the opportunity to hunt **FREE** when accompanied by a parent, grandparent or legal guardian paying regular price on our first rifle season guided base camp hunts or drop camp hunts in 2012. Space is limited and is available on a first come first served basis so contact us for details.

### 25% DISCOUNT

### FOR IRAQ & AFGHANISTAN VETERANS!

Winterhawk is offering a 25% discount on all its 2012 hunts for US serviceman who were on active duty in Iraq or Afghanistan in 2011. Discount must be confirmed at time of reservation.



### NEW AND SPECIAL OFFERS AT WINTERHAWK.COM

- In 2012 we're expanding operations and adding new hunting area by running guided hunts and drop camps out of our Big Springs Base Camp.
- Enter the 2012 "Lets Go Hunting Sweepstakes" to win hunts and quality gear. For complete details go to [winterhawk.com](http://winterhawk.com).
- Check out **The Flat Tops News** for the latest information and updates.
- Winterhawk offers superb summer wilderness Orvis Endorsed Fly Fishing and Family Horseback Vacations. Check them out at [winterhawk.com](http://winterhawk.com).
- Winterhawk also offers a 14, 30 and 45 day Outfitters, Guides & Packers School that is certified by the Colorado Department of Higher Education. Complete information is available at [winterhawk.com](http://winterhawk.com).

### ARCHERY & MUZZLELOADER HUNTS

During these early seasons when the elk are in rut, they tell us where they are, and we go to them. Instead of limiting our bow and muzzleloader hunters to specific camps, we take them to the elk. We may be hunting from Indian Cliffs or Big Springs Base Camps, one of our pack-in camps, or a remote spike camp location. We may also switch camps during the week. In recent years, this stay mobile and "go where the elk are" approach has dramatically improved shot opportunities to nearly 100% on good mature bulls.

### ARCHERY GUIDED ELK & DEER HUNTS

2 hunters per guide – 6 days of hunting

1st Hunt . . . Arrive in base camp Aug. 24 . . . Hunt Aug. 25 - Aug. 30 . . . Depart Aug. 31

2nd Hunt . . . Arrive in base camp Sept. 2 . . . Hunt Sept. 3 - 8 . . . Depart Sept. 9

3rd Hunt . . . Arrive in base camp Sept. 9 . . . Hunt Sept. 10 - 15 . . . Depart Sept. 16

4th Hunt . . . Arrive in base camp Sept. 18 . . . Hunt Sept. 19 - 24 . . . Depart Sept. 25

Full Moon Aug. 31st & Sept. 30th

**PRICE:** 1st & 2nd Hunts \$3,400 PER HUNTER, \$1,700 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER  
3rd & 4th Hunts: \$4,400 PER HUNTER, \$2,200 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER

### MUZZLELOADER GUIDED ELK & DEER HUNT

2 hunters per guide – 6 days of hunting

Arrive in base camp Sept. 7 . . . Hunt Sept. 8 - 13 . . . Depart Sept. 14

Full Moon Aug. 31st & Sept. 30th

**PRICE:** \$4,400 PER HUNTER, \$2,200 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER

2012 MARKS OUR 30<sup>TH</sup> YEAR  
OF OPERATION IN COLORADO'S  
FLAT TOPS WILDERNESS



## RIFLE HUNTS

### INDIAN CLIFFS & BIG SPRINGS BASE CAMP GUIDED ELK & DEER HUNTS

2 hunters per guide – 5 or 6 days of hunting

#### 1st Season Elk Only Hunt – 1st Season Elk Licenses on Drawing 5 Days of Hunting

1st Hunt . . . Arrive in base camp Oct. 12 . . . Hunt Oct. 13 - 17 . . . . . Depart Oct. 18

#### 6 Days of Hunting – Elk and/or Deer

2nd Hunt . . . Arrive in base camp Oct. 19 . . . Hunt Oct. 20 - 25 . . . . . Depart Oct. 26

3rd Hunt . . . Arrive in base camp Nov. 2 . . . Hunt Nov. 3 - Nov. 8 . . . . . Depart Nov. 9

#### 5 Days of Hunting – 4th Season Elk & Deer Licenses on Drawing

4th Hunt . . . Arrive in base camp Nov. 13 . . . Hunt Nov. 14 - 18 . . . . . Depart Nov. 19

Full Moon Oct. 30th & Nov. 28th

**PRICE: \$4,400 PER HUNTER, \$2,200 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER**

*Refer to ELK AND DEER LICENSE PRICES under General Information.*

## WILDERNESS PACK-IN GUIDED ELK & DEER HUNTS

2 hunters per guide, 7 or 8 day trips – 5 or 6 days of hunting

#### 1st Season Elk Only Hunt – 1st Season Elk Licenses on Drawing 7 Day Trip – 5 Days of Hunting

1st Hunt . . . Pack in Oct. 12 . . . . . Hunt Oct. 13 - 17 . . . . . Pack out Oct. 18

#### 8 Day Trips – 6 Days of Hunting – Elk and/or Deer

2nd Hunt . . . . . Pack in Oct. 19 . . . . . Hunt Oct. 20 - 25 . . . . . Pack out Oct. 26

3rd Hunt . . . . . Pack in Nov. 2 . . . . . Hunt Nov. 3 - 8 . . . . . Pack out Nov. 9

Full Moon Oct. 30th & Nov. 28th

**PRICE: \$4,800 PER HUNTER, \$2,400 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER**

*Refer to ELK AND DEER LICENSE PRICES under General Information.*

## TROPHY HIGH COUNTY 1 ON 1 DEER HUNT

1 Hunter per Guide – 6 Days of Hunting

1st Hunt . . . Pack in Aug. 31 . . . . . Hunt Sept. 1 - 6 . . . . . Pack out Sept. 7

2nd Hunt . . . Pack in Oct. 19 . . . . . Hunt Oct. 20 - 25 . . . . . Pack out Oct. 26

3rd Hunt . . . Arrive in Base Camp Nov. 2 . . . Hunt Nov. 3 - 8 . . . . . Depart Nov. 9

Full Moon on Sept. 30th, Oct. 30th & Nov. 28th

**PRICE: \$5,600 PER HUNTER, \$2,800 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER**

*Refer to ELK AND DEER LICENSE PRICES under General Information.*

## MOUNTAIN LION HUNTS

6 Days of Hunting

Winter 2012 - 2013 Hunt Dates . . . . . Nov. 21, 2012 - March 31, 2013

Winter 2013 - 2014 Hunt Dates . . . . . Nov. 21, 2013 - March 31, 2014

Hunts can be scheduled for any 6-day period within the above indicated dates. If you can be on an on-call basis for a lion hunt, this works very well due to weather condition changes, but is not necessary.

**PRICE: \$4,800 PER HUNTER, \$2,400 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER**

**\$1,200 NON HUNTER, \$600 DEPOSIT**

## HIGH COUNTRY PACK-IN DROP CAMP ELK & DEER HUNTS

PRICES FOR ARCHERY, MUZZLELOADER & RIFLE HIGH COUNTRY  
ELK & DEER DROP CAMPS:

#### 1st & 2nd Season Archer Drop Camps

Four or more in party . . . . . \$1,600 PER HUNTER, \$ 800 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER

Three or less in party . . . . . \$2,000 PER HUNTER, \$1,000 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER

#### All Other Archery, Muzzleloader & Rifle Drop Camps

Four or more in party . . . . . \$2,200 PER HUNTER, \$1,100 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER

Three or less in party . . . . . \$2,600 PER HUNTER, \$1,300 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER

## ARCHERY DROP CAMPS – SEASON AUG. 25 - SEPT. 23

8 day trips – 6 Days of Hunting

1st Hunt . . . Pack in Aug. 23 or 24 . . . Hunt Aug. 25 - 30 . . . . . Pack out Sept. 1 or 2

2nd Hunt . . . Pack in Aug. 30 or 31 . . . Hunt Sept. 1 - 6 . . . . . Pack out Sept. 7 or 8

3rd Hunt . . . Pack in Sept. 6 or 7 . . . . . Hunt Sept. 8 - 13 . . . . . Pack out Sept. 14 or 15

4th Hunt . . . Pack in Sept. 15 or 16 . . . Hunt Sept. 17 - 22 . . . . . Pack out Sept. 23 or 24

Full Moon on Aug. 31st & Sept. 30th

ATTENTION: Archery drop camp hunt dates shown above are approximate. We run 8 archery drop camps at the same time, so the pack in and pack out dates can vary 1-3 days either way at the beginning or end of your hunt. We simply cannot pack in and pack out all 8 camps the same day. This procedure may also help you get the exact dates you desire. These are 8-day trips with 6 full days of hunting.

## MUZZLELOADER DROP CAMPS – SEASON SEPT. 8 - 16

6 Days of Hunting

Pack in Sept. 6 or 7 . . . . . Hunt Sept. 8 - 13 . . . . . Pack out Sept. 14 or 15

Full Moon Sept. 30th

## RIFLE DROP CAMPS

#### 1st Season Elk Only Hunt – 1st Season Elk Licenses on Drawing

#### 1st Season Elk Hunt – 5 Full Days of Hunting – 7 Day Trip

Pack in Oct. 11 or 12 . . . . . Hunt Oct. 13 - 17 . . . . . Pack out Oct. 18 or 19

#### 2nd Season Elk & Deer Hunt – 7 Days of Hunting – 9 Day Trip

Pack in Oct. 18 or 19 . . . . . Hunt Oct. 20 - 25 . . . . . Pack out Oct. 26 or 27

#### 3rd Season Elk & Deer Hunt – 7 Days of Hunting – 9 Day Trip

Pack in Nov. 1 or 2 . . . . . Hunt Nov. 3 - 8 . . . . . Pack out Nov. 9 or 10

#### 4th Season Elk & Deer Hunt – 5 Days of Hunting – 7 Day Trip

#### 4th Season Elk & Deer Licenses on Drawing

Pack in Nov. 12 or 13 . . . . . Hunt Nov. 14 - 18 . . . . . Pack out Nov. 19

Full Moon on Oct. 30th & Nov. 28th

**NOTE: Pack out will be pre-arranged when you are packed in.**

## DELUXE PACK-IN DROP CAMPS

8 day trip – 6 Days of Hunting

Minimum 6-person groups. Available in archery, muzzleloader & rifle seasons. These deluxe drop camps will be for the same dates as the regular High Country drop camps in the archery, muzzleloader and rifle seasons. Pack in and pack out will run the same dates as regular drop camps. One camp will be available for each hunt date. This is an excellent option for drop camp hunters.

**PRICE: \$3,000 PER HUNTER PER HUNT, \$1,500 DEPOSIT PER HUNTER**

# ➤ REFERENCES ◀

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### BIGHORN SHEEP HUNTS

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## BIGHORN SHEEP HUNTS

Two Bighorn Sheep Unit S-59 licenses are available to Colorado residents in 2012. Winterhawk provides a wide range of services to sheep hunters ranging from fully outfitted and guided to packing services only. The fully outfitted and guided price is \$6,000 and the deposit is \$3,000.

## WE HUNT PUBLIC LAND - NOT PRIVATE LAND

The Flat Tops Wilderness and the White River National Forest are open to the general public to hunt. Consequently, you may see non-Winterhawk Outfitters hunters when you hunt with us. Don't let this trouble you. Remember, Winterhawk Outfitters is the only legal, permitted outfitter in this area. Public hunters rarely have the know-how, endurance or horses necessary to get to the prime hunting areas. We've hunted this country since 1982 and know how to access the most productive areas. We're skilled at optimizing our hunters' elk and deer harvest. In fact, we often use the activity of public hunters to move game to our hunters.

Private land is not what it was 25 years ago. Private land and ranching for wildlife have been overhunted and overrated for years. ATV and pick-up truck hunting done on private land by hunters and outfitters often pushes game off private land to higher ground public land hunters. Few animals mature to trophy size. It's no surprise that, today, public hunting land produces most of the trophy elk and deer.

**No Fences. No Food Plots. No Mineral Licks. No Gimmicks. No Heated Tree Stands. No High Tech Devices.** Winterhawk offers fair chase hunting in the Rocky Mountains for Real Wild Elk and Deer! These are excellent hunts for good ethical sportsmen and women who appreciate wildlife, hard-working people, new friends, and the great Wilderness that our country has preserved, thanks to Teddy Roosevelt's foresight.

## WEATHER AND SUCCESS RATES

In the rifle seasons, our hunters typically enjoy an average success rate of 40%-60% on bull elk. In some cases, the weather can have a large influence on success rates. If we get the right temperatures and the right amount of snow where we need it, our success rate can soar to the 60%-80% range. When the weather turns warm and dry, hunting can get tough, and that's just the way it is. When that happens, our success rate can drop to 20%-40%. That doesn't mean there's no elk in the country. And it certainly doesn't mean you're going to have a bad hunt, unless of course you let it discourage you to that point. We want all of our hunters to fully understand that weather can play a major factor in success rates, and if a lower than expected success rate will lead to great disappointment and to your having a bad time, you might consider a different type of hunt, or sport. Hunting is hunting, and the reality is that 'ole man weather really doesn't care about elk hunters' success rates.

Many things affect the overall elk hunting success rate besides weather. Elk hunters are individuals and even their reasons for hunting (their goals for the hunt) differ. Some pass up shot opportunities at legal bulls because they're looking for that trophy of a lifetime...or a bull larger than they've harvested in the past. Others are more interested in experiencing the traditional wilderness hunting experience and they put more emphasis on enjoying the hunt rather than the kill. They tend not to push themselves as hard physically as those who consider their hunt a failure until they put an elk on the ground. One isn't necessarily right while the other is wrong...they simply measure success by a different yardstick, and we work hard to give each the hunt they are looking for.

Perhaps the most frustrating factor affecting kill rates that outfitters point to is the occasional hunter who chooses not to listen to advice...by moving from the spot their guide has put them in for example, or by driving elk out of bedding areas or being over aggressive with calls. A good guide wants/needs his hunter to be successful and the guides success in doing his job improves dramatically when there is trust and teamwork between the guide and hunter.

There are still other factors affecting kill rates. One is a hunter's physical ability. Every year we have hunters with physical limitations that affect the way we can hunt them. We do everything within our power to provide them with an enjoyable hunt and the best opportunity to harvest an animal based on their ability to ride and walk in the high country.

Some outfitters prefer talking about shot opportunities rather than success rates as a big bull elk can do strange things to even an experienced hunters concentration and ability to "shoot straight". It happens and we have close and not so close misses each year. We've had whitetail hunters describe this as buck fever - times two.

## COLORADO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE

Brian Wodrich is District Wildlife Manager for our hunting area GMU 25 and 26. Brian is very knowledgeable about all wildlife in this area. Please feel free to call him with your questions. Brian is sometimes hard to reach, so be patient. Brian's contact numbers are: General Information: 970-947-2920. Office/Voicemail: 970-947-2970 E-mail: brian.wodrich@state.co.us.

## PRICE DIFFERENCES

Yes, we admit our prices are higher than many other outfitters in Colorado. Our theory is that outfitters know the value of their hunts and price them accordingly. If you are looking for the cheapest hunt, you won't choose Winterhawk. We can't offer cheap prices and provide the high quality and service we're known for. Keep in mind that the "sweetness of a cheap hunt will not last as long as the bitterness of a bad experience." Big game hunting simply isn't cheap. When looking for an outfitter, check references and compare value. Usually there's a good reason for price differences.

## SELECTING AN OUTFITTER

The number of outfitters and the wide variety of types of hunting and services they offer make selecting the right one a difficult task. Our first suggestion is to ask enough questions so you clearly understand the way you'll be hunting and the services provided. Then ask for a reference list... and use it. If you're only given ten or twenty names, ask for more, and get names of both those who filled their tags and those that didn't. We encourage you to find out if the outfitter is a full-time professional, or part-time operator. Before you book your hunt, know the details so you eliminate unpleasant surprises that can ruin your trip.

## INDIAN CLIFFS & BIG SPRINGS BASE CAMPS

Our base camps are the only camps that can be driven to. Indian Cliffs is five miles off the county road on Forest Service Road 610. Big Springs is also five miles off a county road on Forest Service Road 613. These roads end at our camps that sit on the edge of the Flattops Wilderness. Pack-in and drop camp hunters report to base camp and are packed in from there.

This is a 4WD road and it takes an hour to reach the base camp. Trailhead pickup is available but if you plan on driving to camp, make sure your 4WD has good ground clearance and **DON'T PULL A TRAILER INTO BASE CAMP.** Trailers can be left at the trailhead. At a minimum, bring a pair of tire chains (chains for all four wheels is better) in case of mud or snow.

Base camps are equipped with a diesel generator providing electric lights for tents, and outlets for charging camera batteries. The generator at Indian Cliffs also powers Winterhawk's radio system that allows direct communications to all guides and camps. Base camps have a shower tent, cook tent and satellite internet/wi-fi.

## TRAILHEAD PICKUP

Trailhead pickup is available for those not driving into base camp. We leave vehicles and trailers at the trailhead and it's a safe place to park. Normally our pickup times are 7:00 AM and 5 PM. Arrangements must be made prior to your arrival. There will be a charge for this service.

## ARRIVAL AT BASE CAMP

Due to our very busy schedule packing hunters in and out during hunting seasons, we need your cooperation in keeping scheduled date and arrival times. We work a tight schedule and ask that you do not arrive early or late in camp. If you arrive late for your pack-in time you will be moved to the bottom of our pack-in schedule or forfeit your deposit and hunt. Barring any unexpected emergency, we ask that you not be late. If you do arrive early, and require lodging and meals, you will be charged extra for the additional services.

## FULL SERVICE GUIDED HUNTS

All meals, lodging, guides, horses, transportation while in the field hunting, field dressing, caping and packing out of your trophy and meat to the base camp are provided.

## DROP CAMP HUNTS

These are not guided hunts. Camps will be as described in the brochure. We will pack you and your supplies into camp, and you and your game out of the drop camp to the base camp. Each drop camp will be supplied with a Motorola two-way radio for the hunter's safety and convenience. This is a do-it-yourself hunt for the experienced hunter and woodsman.

## NON-HUNTING GUESTS

Non-hunting guests are always welcome in camp and you may want to bring your wife, son, daughter or friend so they can experience this beautiful area. Please note though that if you bring a guest on a guided hunt, we cannot promise that they can accompany you in the field. On two on one guided hunts especially, it is generally not fair to the second hunter. Please discuss this with us beforehand if you're considering bringing a non-hunting guest.

The cost for non-hunting guests on a base camp hunt is \$1,400 per person. On guided pack-in hunts it's \$1,800. For drop camps, it's \$1,400 if four or more hunters and \$1,800 if three or fewer hunters.

## DEPOSIT POLICY & FINAL PAYMENTS

To confirm a hunt, drop camp or packing service, a 50% deposit is required to hold the dates you desire. This will confirm your reservations. All deposits are **totally non-refundable**. In the event you cancel your hunt, but are able to secure another person to take your reservation on the hunt, your deposit will be refunded. If you cannot find another person to take your reserved hunt, your deposit is **totally non-refundable**. Deposit fees are accepted in check, money order, company checks, etc. We accept credit cards for deposits only. Final payments are due upon approval in base camp. Payment must be cash or traveler's checks only. We will not accept checks of any type under any circumstances for final payment.

## DROP CAMP DEPOSITS

When booking a hunt for a group of two or more, please send the deposit for all people in the group in one envelope at the same time. This will avoid any confusion over which hunter belongs to which group.

## PRICE OF HUNTS

Listed price does not include license cost, taxidermy service, transportation of game to processing plant or meat processing.

## COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS - VAIL/EAGLE AIRPORT PICKUP & RETURN

Flights are scheduled daily into the Eagle, Colorado airport. Car rental is available or we can arrange to pick you up. Pickups can take place either at the airport or a hotel in Eagle. Please inform us of your travel arrangements 30 days in advance of your arrival. Anyone flying should arrive the day before they are scheduled into base camp. There will be a charge for this service.

## WEATHER CONDITIONS

August and September typically have warm, sunny days (50 to 60 degrees) and cool nights (30 to 50 degrees). Rain and snow are always possible at very high elevations. October and November can range from warm, sunny days to wind and snow. Expect daytime temps from 20 to 60 degrees and cool evening temperatures of 0 to 30 degrees. The Rocky Mountain weather is very unpredictable. Plan your clothing accordingly. We will send a detailed suggested item and clothing list to all of our hunters.

## CALIBER OF RIFLE

The most popular caliber of guns used are: 30-06, 270, 300 mag. and 7mm mag. We suggest a bullet weight of 150 grains to 180 grains.

## ATTENTION RIFLE & MUZZLELOADER HUNTERS

Have your rifle sighted in before you arrive. Our sighting suggestion is 3 inches high at 100 yards which should have most rifles right on at 300 yards. Muzzleloaders should be dead-on at 100 yards. We have an area near base camp to "check" your firearm. It is equipped with a shooting bench and targets. All hunters, except archery hunters, are required to wear 500 square inches of solid blaze orange; a vest and hat are sufficient. Scopes on muzzleloaders are not allowed in Colorado.

## ATTENTION ARCHERY HUNTERS

We recommend a minimum draw weight of 50 pounds. Broadheads must be at least 7/8-inch wide and have at least two cutting edges. No crossbows. Arrows should be packed in a hard container for pack-in hunters. Both our base camps have a range with life-size McKenzie targets. All pack-in, spike and drop camps have a target for practice as well.

## RADIO COMMUNICATION

All of our camps (including drop camps) and all of our guides and packers will be equipped with Motorola 2-way radios. Indian Cliffs Base Camp will remain on 24 hours a day for the safety and convenience of our clients. Our Indian Cliffs Base Camp is also equipped with a cell phone for emergency calls.

## WHAT IS AN ETHICAL HUNTER?

We understand that wounding and not recovering a big game animal can happen, but we follow, and insist that our hunters follow, the unwritten rule of "Good Shot or No Shot." Make sure your weapon is sighted in and that you have the shot opportunity necessary for a clean kill before you pull the trigger or release an arrow.

### What Is an Ethical Hunter? *(Author Unknown)*

An ethical hunter strives with all their might to always be safe, be lawful, kill cleanly with one shot, fully utilize the animal harvested, and practice fair chase.

## MISSSES AND WOUNDS

We understand that wounding and misses are part of hunting and they sometimes happen to even experienced hunters taking ethical shots. While we do not have a "one and done" policy, we do reserve the right to terminate a hunt without refund for wounds and misses if in our opinion they occur from unethical shot selection or a lack of proficiency with the weapon.

## COW ELK HUNTING

The goal of 99% of our elk hunters is to harvest a bull elk and although it's legal in most seasons to kill a cow, we'd like you to consider these facts before you do. It is estimated that 30% of antlerless elk killed are actually bull calves... calves that would otherwise become legal bulls in just two to three years. Winterhawk's goal is to provide its hunters the very best opportunity possible to kill bull elk... and we encourage all our hunters to help us maintain and build the quality of our elk herd by letting antlerless elk walk.

## ELK AND DEER LICENSE PRICES

Archery and rifle elk licenses except for the 1st rifle and 4th rifle seasons are unlimited and sold over the counter at all sporting goods stores in Colorado. All deer licenses are limited and sold on a draw basis. Non-resident elk licenses are \$554, non-resident deer licenses \$334 and non-resident mountain lion licenses \$351. Habitat stamps are required for hunters between the ages of 18 and 64. A \$5 stamp must be purchased for each of the first two licenses purchased. Hunting licenses are not really an expense. The meat and horns are worth more than the price of the licenses. You are paying for Wildlife Management and an investment in hunting for the future. You can pick up your license when you arrive in Colorado or buy them online at the Colorado Division of Wildlife website: [www.wildlife.state.co.us](http://www.wildlife.state.co.us). Muzzleloader elk, deer, cow elk, 1st season bull elk and 4th season rifle elk licenses are limited and sold on a drawing basis. These licenses have application deadlines of **April 3rd**. To obtain an application, please contact us or the Colorado Division of Wildlife at 6060 Broadway, Denver, CO 80216; phone (303) 297-1192. Please book your hunt early. We have limited openings on all hunts. You will be sent a license application in March if you need to apply for a license by **April 3, 2011**.

## LICENSES DRAWING & RESULTS

- Drawing results will be posted on the Colorado Division of Wildlife website as soon as licenses are in the mail usually by early June.
- Leftover licenses will go on sale August 10th.
- Refund checks will be mailed out approximately June 1st.
- Big Game Over the Counter Licenses will go on sale July 31st.

Archery elk licenses are either sex licenses. You may take a bull or a cow. Bulls must have 4 points or more or 5" brow tines. Archery deer licenses are also either sex licenses. However, Winterhawk Outfitters strongly urges hunters not to take the does and small bucks. We hope this will help ensure we always have a good, mature buck population.

## PREFERENCE POINTS

In the units we hunt, (25 and 26), the only licenses that are on a draw are muzzleloading elk, 1st rifle season elk, 4th rifle season elk, and all deer tags. All other tags are sold over-the-counter in unlimited supply. But that is likely to change someday. Even if you are not currently considering a hunt that requires preference points to draw a license, you should still apply for

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preference points this year from the Colorado Division of Wildlife. You can apply for a Preference Point only, without the possibility of drawing a license. Start accumulating preference points now for hunts in the future. The application deadline for applying for licenses or preference points is **April 3, 2011**. Contact the Colorado Division of Wildlife, or us, for additional details and application forms.

**FIRST RIFLE SEASON ELK TAGS**

For many years our first rifle season was the most popular season, and very successful. Because it was so successful, it drew more hunters to the field than the 2nd or 3rd rifle seasons. In an attempt to even out the number of hunters in the field each season, the Colorado Division of Wildlife put the 1st rifle season licenses on a drawing. Now, our first rifle season is not as crowded, and our hunters are still enjoying a very successful hunt. The best news is that although the tags are on a drawing, the success rate in getting the license is very high. According to the Colorado DOW, in our units the success rate in 2011 for hunters with no preference points was 92%. Although the licenses are on a drawing, your chances of successfully drawing a license are very high, over 90%. So please do not let the drawing scare you away from the first rifle season. The applications for first rifle season licenses have an application deadline of **April 3rd**. Feel free to give us a call for more information.

**YOUTH BIG GAME LICENSES**

Youths aged 12-15 can buy a reduced-cost license to hunt deer, elk and antelope. A resident youth license costs \$10.75; non-resident cost is \$100.75. The cost is the same for elk or deer. Youths must be accompanied by a "mentor" while hunting big game. A mentor must be 18 or older and have a hunter safety card if born after 1/1/49. The mentor is not required to hunt. Youths can apply for a limited license at age 11 if they reach their 12th birthday when they go hunting. At age 16, youths must buy a regular license and can hunt alone. Youths must meet hunter education requirements.

**HUNTER'S SAFETY CARD**

Anyone born after January 1, 1950 must have a numbered hunter's safety card from their home state in order to purchase a Colorado rifle or archery season hunting license.

**GAME MEAT PROCESSING**

Meat processing services are available through local processing companies and include the butchering, wrapping and freezing of your game.

Ron Hagen  
R. B. J. Game Processing  
Gypsum, Colorado  
970-524-6007  
Elk - \$220 • Deer - \$100

**TAXIDERMY SERVICE**

We recommend Gene Rae, Golden, Colorado (near Denver) for taxidermy. His work is excellent and his delivery is always on-time. Give him a call at 303-279-4045 or his cell 303-519-1080.

Gene's Taxidermy  
Golden, Colorado  
303-279-4045 • 303-519-1080  
genestaxidermy@msn.com  
Elk - \$975 • Deer - \$575

**SADDLE HORSES**

No matter how much riding experience you've had, if any, we will outfit you with the right horse for your ability. Saddles will be equipped with saddle bags and a rifle scabbard. Bows will be carried by bow scabbards or with a sling. No hard bowcases will be packed on mules.

**DUFFEL & SLEEPING BAGS**

Pack-in guided hunters and drop camp hunters should pack personal gear in one standard size duffel bag. It must not exceed 70 pounds. Do not bring the oversized duffel bags packed full of extra, unnecessary things that you'll never use or need. We recommend a sleeping bag rated to -10 or -20 degrees, for your comfort. It does not have to fit in the duffel bag. If you are a Base Camp hunter, it does not matter what you pack in or how much you bring because you can drive to this camp.

**HEALTH**

When booking your hunt, please let us know of any health or physical conditions that we should be aware of to assure a safe trip for you. If you have any dietary restrictions, please let us know when booking. We'll be happy to accommodate you.

**ALCOHOL**

Absolutely NO alcohol (including beer) or illegal drugs will be permitted or tolerated in any of our camps or hunting areas. If you come to hunt, you're in the right place. If you come to drink, you're making a mistake.

**YOU OWE IT TO YOURSELF!**

A big game hunt is a considerable investment for most people, and for you to get the most out of your experience, you owe it to yourself to follow the instructions of your outfitter. Our camps are at high altitude and placed in some rugged terrain. Conditioning yourself and getting physically fit will greatly increase success opportunity and make your trip more enjoyable. **KNOW YOUR WEAPON!** Whether you are hunting with a rifle, bow or muzzleloader, it is extremely important to practice with your weapon so that you are accurate under pressure and confident when you shoot.

**GRATUITIES**

It is customary to tip the staff that works for you on the mountain. Guides, packers, cooks and camp jacks spend a great deal of time making sure that your trip is a memorable one, and tips are greatly appreciated. As a general guideline, a hunter should tip 15% of the cost of his hunt. See examples below:

A hunter paying \$4400 for a guided hunt should tip a total of \$660.

<b>Total Guided Hunt</b> . . . . .	<b>\$4400</b>
Guide . . . . .	\$ 415
Cook . . . . .	\$ 115
Packer . . . . .	\$ 75
Camp Jack . . . . .	\$ 55
<b>Total tip</b> . . . . .	<b>\$ 660</b>

Tips for guided hunts are usually higher when the hunt is successful.

<b>Total Drop Camp Hunt</b> . . . .	<b>\$2200</b>
Packer – when packed in . . . .	\$ 105
Packer – when packed out . . . .	\$ 105
Packer when elk or deer are packed out . . . . .	\$ 105
<b>Total tip</b> . . . . .	<b>\$ 315</b>

**MORE INFORMATION AT WWW.WINTERHAWK.COM**

We're constantly updating our website to make it the best in the industry and to answer most of the questions hunters will have about their trip. It contains a lot of helpful information.



**WINTERHAWK ONLINE STORE**

Check out the new store at [www.winterhawk.com](http://www.winterhawk.com) to find unique items for sportsmen and branded Winterhawk merchandise. Most everything in the store is recommended and used by myself, our guides and staff. I will try very hard to keep as much stuff in the store "AMERICAN MADE" as possible.

**IMPORTANT!**

**CONTACTING WINTERHAWK AUGUST-NOVEMBER**

The best way to reach us during the hunting season is email as we have satellite internet service at our base camps. During the height of the season its sometimes impossible to check phone messages on a daily basis so please understand if it takes several days to return a phone call. We'll do our best, but an email, or a phone call and an email is by far the best option.



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