

ELK RIDGE

Outfitters

ELK RIDGE OUTFITTER'S POLICIES AND EQUIPMENT LIST FOR RIFLE & ARCHERY HUNTS

WEATHER

Archers can expect any kind of weather from dry 80-90 degree days and 35-45 degree nights to 30-40 degree windy wet days and 0-30 degree nights. Rifle hunting, till approximately Nov 15 the weather can vary greatly between late summer type weather and cold wet winter weather, after mid November expect snow and cold winter weather.

BOOTS AND SHOES

Hunters may want light-hiking boots that are waterproof and heavier insulated boots possibly with liners. All boots should have good lug type or air bob soles. Bring slippers or light shoes for walking around lodge in the evenings.

CLOTHING

We recommend wool, it's warm, and sheds water, and are quiet. Fleece also works well. We like to dress in layers so we can shed them as the day warms. Camo clothing is recommended for archers, Mountain Shadow and Desert Shadow from Kings Outdoor World (www.shadowcamo.com) or Ridge Ghost and Prairie Ghost from Montana Camo Inc. (www.ghostcamo.com). These patterns work well in the areas we archery hunt. Rifle hunters need 400 sq inches of orange, we recommend mesh nylon or fleece vest for quietness.

SLEEPING BAG

You will need a good quality sleeping bag, as you will be sleeping in cabins. There are wood stoves in the cabins with cots and mattress pads.

PACKING THINGS FOR AIRLINE TRAVEL

We suggest try to get everything in one large bag so you will be allowed more room for your game on the way home. You may want to send your luggage home by UPS or Parcel Post so you can take more meat home with you to save shipping costs. If you are flying you will not need a sleeping bag as we will provide clean bedding for you.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

We do not provide any alcoholic beverages. You are welcome to provide your own.

OUR GROCERIES POLICY

We supply all your meals that will be well rounded and nourishing, however you will need to let us know prior to your hunt if you have any food allergies or special dietary needs. We will do our best to accommodate your needs if we are able to plan ahead.

AIRLINES & MOTELS

Airlines flying into Bozeman are: Delta, American, Northwest, United, Horizon and Alaska. If you are arriving by plane let us know when your flight arrives so we can make arrangements to meet you. If you are planning on staying at a motel prior to or after your hunt, we recommend the Grand Tree Inn 1-800-624-5865 they have a shuttle service to and from the airport, let them know that you are a client of Elk Ridge Outfitters and you will receive a discount on your room rates.

ARRIVAL AT ELK RIDGE

You will arrive here on the morning of the first day of your hunt and hunt that evening; on the last day of your hunt you will hunt in the morning and depart that afternoon.

PHOTOS AND VIDEOS

Any photos or videos taken by clients may not be used for promotional purposes or used in contests of any kind with out prior approval from Elk Ridge Outfitters, photos or videos may be used for personal use only. Elk Ridge Outfitters has exclusive rights to use any photos or video taken by Elk Ridge Outfitters or their employees while hunting, vacationing or horseback riding at Elk Ridge Outfitters in any promotional way they wish unless prior agreement has been established between Elk Ridge Outfitters and the client.

ARCHERY EQUIPMENT

Bows should have least 70# draw weight or more. Arrows must weigh at least 500 grains. We don't allow mechanical broad heads that open on impact; we've lost too many animals with these. We don't recommend carbon arrows; the material they're made of doesn't allow a bad hit animal to heal. A good heavy 3 or 4 bladed broad head is recommended. Over draws are ok. Learn to use a hands free type cow elk call. Archery hunters will be required to shoot a target with a guide before they hunt. Shots at elk will be 40 yards or less.

GUN & AMMO

Rifles of 270 or larger are recommended, the most important thing is to be able to shoot it accurately. Your rifle needs to be sighted in for 200 yards. Use the heaviest bullet weight that works well at 200 plus yards, we don't want them running out of steam at 200 yards, shots will be mostly in open country. Bring at least 2 boxes of ammunition, you will be required to check your sights with a guide when you arrive, and may have to resight your rifle if you should it bump it during the hunt.

PAYMENT

Payment can be made with check, cashier's check, money order, travelers checks or the following credit cards: master, discover, American express, visa, diners club.

A 3% convenience fee will be charged for credit cards.

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