



HUNT AT † TEJON

Quality Deer Management (QDM) Deer Hunt

Introduction:

Thank you for your interest in hunting deer at Tejon Ranch. At Tejon Ranch we manage the wildlife to not only maintain the correct balance of animals, but to also enhance the quality of the game species on the Ranch. Our primary goal is to provide hunters with a memorable hunting experience with the best opportunity to pursue and harvest their desired quarry.

QDM Goals:

The goal of the Tejon Ranch deer hunting program is to enhance the overall population and quality of the deer herd, and with the aggressive management program that has been in place for the past number of years we are beginning to see the positive results. In order to improve the overall quality of the bucks on Tejon Ranch, the deer hunting program focuses on harvesting mature, heavy antlered deer. The harvesting of younger, light antlered, deer is not allowed under any circumstances. The determination of whether a deer fits the QDM criteria is at the sole discretion of your guide. Once it has been determined that the deer fits the QDM criteria, the ultimate decision to harvest will rest with the hunter.

Hunt Schedule:

QDM deer hunts are scheduled to begin the third Saturday of September and end December 31st of the current hunt season. These hunts are scheduled as a two-day hunt over a three-day period, and are scheduled Monday through Wednesday, and again Friday through Sunday. Your hunt will begin at 1:00 pm on the first day when your guide picks you up at the Tejon Ranch Wildlife Management Office (4427 Lebec Rd. Lebec, CA 93243). After settling into the hunting cabin, you will be required to view a video orientation, you will then sight in your rifle with your guide ensuring your gun is sighted in with the required **non-lead ammunition**. You will then hunt the afternoon/evening of the first day, then hunt the morning and afternoon of the second day (day 2), followed by a brief hunt the morning of the third day (day 3) in hopes of filling your tag. At the completion of the morning hunt on the third day you will return to the cabin for clean-up and a 10:00 am departure. **Please remember that this hunt, as well as all guided hunts on Tejon Ranch, are hunt to harvest.**

What to Expect:

Hunts are one-on-one hunts (one guide to one client) and **do not carry a guaranteed harvest or shot opportunity**. Our guides, however, will do their very best to ensure your hunt is enjoyable and successful. Lodging, meals, and basic game care (field dressing of the harvested animal) are included, but transportation of game off ranch is not included and hunters should be prepared with the means to transport their game to the processor and cape to taxidermist if desired. When hunting the fall season at Tejon Ranch, you should be prepared for changing field conditions and varying weather; we recommend that in addition to good hiking boots, you bring a variety of layers to be prepared for these conditions. Please remember that Tejon Ranch only allows **non-lead ammunition** to be used on the property, we recommend that you take the time to ensure your rifle is sighted in prior to your arrival. Additionally, if you are successful on your hunt, please remember that it is the hunter's responsibility to have their deer tags counter-signed by the proper authority per the California Department of Fish and Wildlife regulations.

Conclusion:

Again, we thank you for your interest in hunting deer at Tejon Ranch. We look forward to hosting you on your hunt. Should you have any questions or special needs for your hunt, please do not hesitate to contact Mike Campeau (Game Management Department), by calling (661) 663-4208 or email: mcampeau@tejonranch.com

Hunt Price: \$5,500.00/Each (QDM Trophy Deer)

Hunt Price: \$3,750.00/Each (QDM Management Deer/ Non-Member)

Hunt Price: \$3,250.00/Each (QDM Management Deer/ Member)

Notes:

- *Price does not include price of PLM tag (approximately \$80.00)**
- *Price does not include \$35.00 liability insurance**
- *Non-hunting guests can be accommodated for \$150 per night**
- *No dogs are allowed at the cabins or on these hunts**
- *Non-Lead Ammunition Only**

Deposit and Cancellation Policy:

All hunts require a 50% (Non-Refundable) deposit at booking unless otherwise specified, with the balance and all required paperwork due (30) days prior to arrival. If paperwork and balance is not received 30 days prior to arrival your hunt will be removed from the calendar and deposit will be forfeited. Any cancellation must be in writing (fax or email) and needs to be received by the Tejon Ranch Wildlife Management Department a minimum of (30) days prior to the scheduled date of the hunt. If proper notification is received within the allotted timeframe your deposit may be rolled to another available hunt date within the current hunting season, **if the schedule allows**. If proper notification of cancellation is not received in allotted timeframe, you fail to show up for your scheduled hunt, or no other date is available, any deposit will be forfeited.

***Note: If the hunt is scheduled within the 30-day cancellation period, it is understood no refund of deposit is available.**

****Note: This form must be completed and returned within 5 working days to keep scheduled hunt.**