



TURKEY HUNTING TRIP PLANNER

Featuring the Pine Ridge of Nebraska

Nebraska is the BEST turkey hunting destination in the country!

- We offer great public access opportunities.
- Hunters have excellent harvest success rates.
- Permits are unlimited in quantity and sold over-the-counter.
- Hunters may purchase up to three permits in the spring and two in the fall.
- Permits are affordable, including the \$8 youth permit.
- Turkeys can be found statewide.

Where to Hunt

Turkeys may be found in any county in Nebraska; we've chosen to highlight the Pine Ridge region of the state, where you will find some of the highest concentrations of turkeys (including Merriam's), as well as an abundance of public hunting lands.

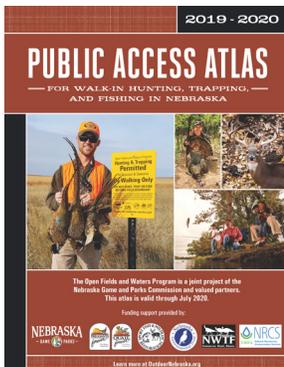
These public areas include National Forest Service land, Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) and public access through the Open Fields and Waters program in Northwest Nebraska.

Pine Ridge area: The Pine Ridge area is in the northwest region of Nebraska with public access at the Nebraska National Forest, Fort Robinson, Gilbert Baker, Ponderosa, Peterson, Metcalf, Bordeaux and Bighorn WMAs.

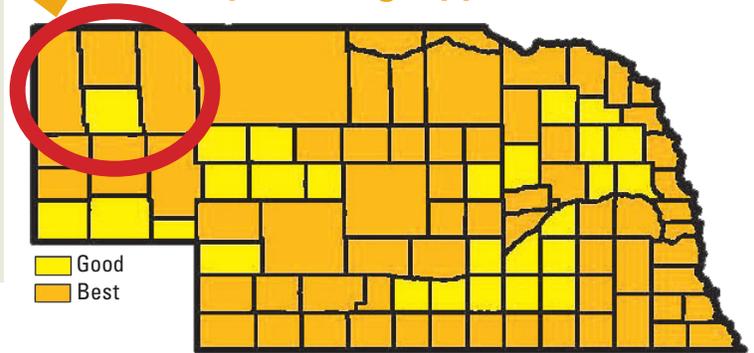
Public Lands Hunting Opportunities

The Open Fields and Waters program is designed to enhance wildlife habitat and increase public walk-in hunting, fishing and trapping opportunities on private lands. The Nebraska Public Access Atlas identifies and consolidates these access areas on public and private lands into an atlas specifically for hunters, trappers and anglers.

The Atlas is available where permits are sold and online at: **OutdoorNebraska.org/**
PublicAccessAtlas



Turkey Hunting Opportunities



Turkey Season Dates

Spring

Archery: March 25 – May 31, 2020

Youth Shotgun: April 11 – May 31, 2020

Shotgun: April 18 – May 31, 2020

Fall

Archery and Shotgun: September 15 – January 31, 2020

Permit Prices

Resident: \$30; **Nonresident:** \$109

Youth Resident & Youth Nonresident: \$8

Nebraska Habitat Stamp: \$25

(Habitat stamp is required for all hunters except Youth Resident)

How to Buy a Permit

Online at OutdoorNebraska.org or via mobile device during the following application periods:

- Spring permits on sale: January 14 – May 31
- Fall permits on sale: August 10 – January 31, 2020

Contact Us

For more information about turkey hunting or things to do in the area, contact:

- Northwest District Office in Alliance at 308-763-2940





Other Activities to Enjoy During Your Stay

- Don't leave home without your fishing pole! Spring or fall turkey hunters have the opportunity to enjoy the best time of year to fish in Nebraska. Both spring and fall offer anglers great fishing, including trout that are stocked in a number of water bodies throughout the state. Nonresidents may purchase a one- or three-day fishing license and enjoy a fun side trip from their hunt. The Pine Ridge provides some of the best river and stream trout fishing in the state, with plenty of opportunity within the Nebraska National Forests, and Fort Robinson and Chadron state parks.
- Nebraska fall turkey hunters can add variety to their hunting trip. An affordable option is a two-day small game hunting permit for nonresidents (\$67). Hunting near the Pine Ridge of Nebraska in the southern Panhandle or the Sandhills region of the state provide hunters with an excellent opportunity for a mix-bag, including waterfowl, pheasant and sharp-tailed grouse. Waterfowl hunters will also need a HIP number as well as a federal/state duck stamps.
- Hunt Nebraska deer season with over-the-counter permits, the opportunity to hunt the rut and \$8 youth permits for residents and nonresidents. Contact us at 1-800-742-0056 for more information on obtaining a deer permit for the portion of the state you plan to hunt.

Cast and Call on Your Next Hunting Trip



Nebraska's best fishing happens during turkey season. So pack your fishing pole with your turkey gear.

Fish for trout in Pine Ridge streams, cast for crappie in a lake, or catch bass in a farm pond during a break in the action.

one-day, three-day and annual fishing permits are available.

Where to Stay

Enjoy your hunt and stay comfortably in a cabin or campsite at a Nebraska state park. Call the reservation call center at 402-471-1414 or go online at OutdoorNebraska.org for more information and reservations. The following state parks are in the Pine Ridge region:

- Fort Robinson State Park, near Crawford in Dawes County
- Chadron State Park near Chadron in Dawes County

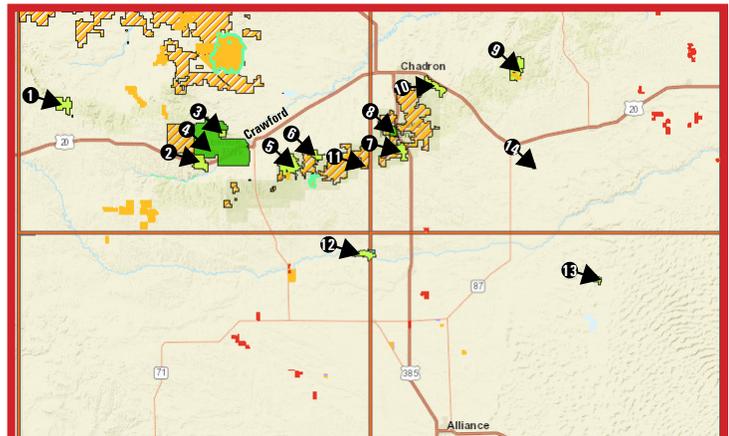
For a full list of communities in the area, places to stay and things to do, go to VisitNebraska.com

Go Online at OutdoorNebraska.org

- Find maps
- Buy a permit
- Season information and dates
- Read fishing and hunting guides.



OutdoorNebraska.org/maps



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| 1) Gilbert-Baker WMA | 12) Box Butte Reservoir WMA |
| 2) Peterson WMA | 13) Smith Lake WMA |
| 3) Fort Robinson WMA | 14) Walgren Lake SRA |
| 4) Fort Robinson SP | United States Forest Service |
| 5) Ponderosa WMA | State Park (SP) |
| 6) Bighorn WMA | Wildlife Management Area (WMA) |
| 7) Chadron Creek Ranch WMA | OFW Open to Hunting and Trapping |
| 8) Chadron SP | State Recreation and WMA |
| 9) Metcalf WMA | OFW All Hunting Seasons, Trapping and Fishing (Lands) |
| 10) Bordeaux WMA | OFW CRP Open to Hunting and Trapping |
| 11) Pine Ridge Ranger District NF (USFS) | |

