

# Hunting Recommendations **2023**

	Species	Dates	Areas	Special Instructions
<b>Niobrara State Park</b>	Deer	Archery Dec 1 – Dec 31, 2023	Select Park Zones to be Designated	Limited number of registered hunters per day
	Turkey and Deer	Mentored Youth Hunts Concurrent with Agency Established Seasons and Regulations	Select Park Zones	Will alternate deer and turkey mentored hunts annually (Turkey in 2024)
<b>Indian Cave State Park</b>	Waterfowl – Zone 3 Duck	Nov 1, 2023 – Close of Season	Maze Tract & Backwater Area	No Permanent Blinds
	Waterfowl Statewide – Light Goose	Nov 1, 2023 – Close of Season	Maze Tract & Backwater Area	No Permanent Blinds
	Waterfowl East Unit – Dark Goose	Nov 1, 2023– Close of Season	Maze Tract & Backwater Area	No Permanent Blinds
	Turkey	Archery Fall Nov 1-30, 2023	Select Park Zones to be Designated	
	Deer	Archery Nov 1 – Dec 31, 2023 (includes the Nov 11-19 Firearm Season)	Select Park Zones to be Designated	Eligible Hunters Possessing the Proper Permit may Hunt with Legal Bow/Arrow & Crossbow Only & are Required to Wear Hunter Orange
	Deer	Blue Southeast Antlerless Only Season Choice Deer Jan 1-15, 2024	Select Park Zones to be Designated	Use of Centerfire Rifles is Prohibited
<b>Platte River State Park</b>	Deer	Specialized/Organized Archery & Muzzleloader Hunts Coordinated on Select Dates within the Periods from the First Monday after Thanksgiving to the End of Late Firearm Deer Season	Select Park Zones to be Designated	Assigned Zones
<b>Chadron State Park</b>	Deer	Archery Oct 1 –Nov 10, 2023; Nov 22- Dec 31 2023	Select Park Zones to be Designated	No Permanent Blinds pre-registration required
<b>Fort Atkinson State Historical Park</b>	Deer	Archery Nov 1- Dec 31 2023	Select Park Zones to be Designated	Pre-registration required

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	Deer	Muzzleloader concurrent with 2023/2024 season	Select Park Zones to be Designated	Pre-registration required
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<b>Ponca State Park North River Bottom (Newton and Held Tracts)</b>	Waterfowl	Concurrent with 2023/2024 Agency Waterfowl Seasons (Including Early Teal Season)	North Bottom	No Permanent Blinds with Exception of Agency Provided First-Come First-Serve Blinds
	Dove, Rabbit & Squirrel	Concurrent with 2023/2024 Agency Small/Upland Game Seasons	North Bottom	
	Pheasant & Quail	Concurrent with 2023/2024 Agency Upland Game Seasons	North Bottom	
	Pheasant & Quail	Weekend Prior to the Upland Pheasant/Quail Regular Season	North Bottom	Upland Game Youth Hunt
	Turkey	Archery and Shotgun Fall Season Concurrent with 2023 Agency Fall Turkey Season	North Bottom	
	Turkey	Hunts to be Coordinated on Select Dates During Established Spring Turkey Season Including Archery, Shotgun and Youth Season	North Bottom	Youth Mentored Spring Hunt Only
	Deer	Archery, Rifle, & Muzzleloader Concurrent with Agency Established Seasons and Regulations	North Bottom	
<b>Ponca State Park South River Bottom (Schram Tract)</b>	Pheasant & Quail	Weekend prior to the Upland Pheasant/Quail Regular Season	South Bottom	Upland Game Youth Hunt
	Waterfowl	Concurrent with 2023/2024 Agency Waterfowl Seasons (Not Including Early Teal Season)	South Bottom	No Permanent Blinds with Exception of Agency Provided First-Come First-Serve Blinds

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	Deer	Archery Tuesday following Labor Day through end of season	South Bottom	
	Turkey	Archery Fall Nov 1 – Nov. 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	South Bottom	
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<b>Ponca State Park</b>	Deer	Archery Nov 1 through January Season	Select Park Zones to be Designated	Limited number of registered hunters per day
	Turkey	Archery Fall Nov 1- Nov 30, 2023	Select Park Zones to be Designated	
	Turkey and Deer	Mentored Youth Hunts Concurrent with Agency Established Seasons and Regulations	Select Park Zones	Will alternate deer and turkey mentored hunts annually (Deer in 2023)
<b>Eugene T. Mahoney State Park</b>	Deer	Specialized/Organized Archery & Muzzleloader Hunts Coordinated on Select Dates within the Periods from the First Monday after Thanksgiving to the End of Late Firearm Deer Season	Select Park Zones to be Designated	Assigned zones
<b>Ash Hollow State Historical Park</b>	Small and Upland Game	Established Hunting Seasons	Designated Parklands West of Hwy 26 and North of CR 44	Per Regulations and Special Requirements
	Deer	Archery Per Established Hunting Season	Designated Parklands West of Hwy 26 and North of CR 44	Per Regulations and Special Requirements
	Turkey	Archery Per Established Hunting Season	Designated Parklands West of Hwy 26 and North of CR 44	Per Regulations and Special Requirements
	Waterfowl	Established Hunting Seasons	Designated Parklands North of CR 44	No Permanent Blinds and Per Regulations and Special Requirements

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<b>Rock Creek Station State Historical Park</b>	Deer	Archery Dec 1 – 31, 2023	Designated Park area is South of abandoned rail road corridor	Walk In Access Only.

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	Deer	Blue Southeast Antlerless Only Season Choice Jan 1 – Jan 15, 2024	Designated Park area is South of abandoned rail road corridor	Antlerless Only Eligible Hunters Possessing the Proper Firearm Permit may Hunt with Legal Bow/Arrow & Crossbow Only & are Required to Wear Orange. Walk In Access Only.
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