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LOCAL AREA EVENTS

JANUARY

Chamber Banquet | Circle
Annual Farm & Ranch Banquet | Glendive

FEBRUARY

Annual Pancakes & Sausage Brunch | Terry
MDF Badland Bruisers banquet | Glendive

MARCH

Spring Fling | Glendive

APRIL

Easter Egg Hunt | Richey

MAY

Fort Peck Summer Theatre (Weekends -
Memorial Day to Labor Day)

JUNE

Garage Sale Day | Circle
Take a Kid Fishing Day | Terry
Jordan Matched Bronco Ride | Circle
Annual Country RC Fun Fly | Terry

JULY

Fireworks at the Park | Circle
Christmas in July | Circle
4th of July Rodeo | Terry
Terry Yippie | Terry
Brockway & Circle Dairy Day
Rodeo | Richey
Annual Dip-N-Twist Car Show | Richey
Dawson County Fair

AUGUST

McCone County Fair & PRCA Rodeo
Wibaux County Fair
Prairie County Fair
Badlands Board Fest | Glendive
High School & Youth Rodeo | Circle

SEPTEMBER

Town & Country Day | Circle
Bump & Run | Circle
Gathering of the Gamers | Glendive
Gun Show | Glendive
Norsktobberfest | Glendive

OCTOBER

Eastern MT Ag Summit & Tractor Show | Circle
Coyote Calling Contest | Terry

NOVEMBER

Arts, Crafts & Home Demonstration Show |
Circle
Glendive Turkey Trot
Richey Winter Bazaar

DECEMBER

Christmas Open House | Circle, Richey

** Events are subject to change.*

Check local websites for updated listings.

SINGLETRACK MOUNTAIN BIKING



HAVE FUN & BE RESPECTFUL:

Singletrack mountain biking is an exciting and rewarding activity.

Remember to enjoy the ride, take in the scenery, and respect nature. Stay positive, be patient with yourself as you learn and improve, and have fun exploring new trails and pushing your limits. **EXPERIENCE:** Singletrack trails are often more challenging than regular trails. It's important to have some experience and proficiency on your bike. **TRAIL DIFFICULTY RATING:** Singletrack trails are often graded on their difficulty level, usually using a color-coded system. Start with trails that match your skill level.

TRAIL ETIQUETTE: Respect other trail users, yield to uphill riders, and follow any posted signs or guidelines. Don't litter and stay on designated trails. **PROTECTIVE GEAR:** Wear appropriate gear, most important a helmet. Other helpful choices are gloves, knee and elbow pads, and sturdy shoes. **BIKE MAINTENANCE:** Check tire pressure, brakes, gears, and suspension. Carry essential tools, such as a multi-tool, spare tube, and a pump, to handle any minor repairs or adjustments on the trail. **HYDRATION & NUTRITION:**

Singletrack mountain biking can be physically demanding. Carry enough water and pack some energy-rich snacks. **RIDE WITH A BUDDY:** It can make the experience more enjoyable, but it also enhances safety in case of any issues. **TRAIL RESEARCH:** Look for trail maps, reviews, and any relevant information about the area before heading out. **PACE YOURSELF:** Start at a comfortable pace and gradually increase your speed and difficulty level as you gain more experience and confidence.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

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Clerk of Court	406-485-3410
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Election Administrator	406-485-3505
Extension Service	406-485-2605
Fire Chief	406-974-7489
GIS	406-485-5005
IT Support	406-974-5137
Justice of the Peace	406-485-3548
Land Planning	406-522-8594
Library	406-485-2350
Museum	406-485-2414
Public Health	406-485-2444
Road Department North Shop	406-525-3364
Road Department South Shop	406-485-3421
Safety Manager	406-485-2347
Sanitarian	406-388-5772
Sheriff's Office	406-485-3405
Treasurer's Office	406-485-3590
Wildlife Services/ Predator control	406-850-3741

Dawson County

7th District Court	406-377-2666
7th District Youth Probation	406-377-4675
Attorney	406-377-2532
Child & Family Services	406-377-3963
Clerk & Recorder	406-377-3058
Commissioners	406-377-3562
Coroner	406-377-2622
County Planner	406-245-5499
Dawson County Fair	406-377-6781
Disaster & Emergency Services	406-377-2566
Health Department	406-377-5213
Library	406-377-3633
MSU Extension	406-377-4277
MT Dept of Revenue	406-377-4256
Road Department	406-377-2564
Sanitarian	406-377-5772
Superintendent of Schools.....	406-377-3963
Treasurer.....	406-377-3026

Wibaux County

City Judge/ Justice of Peace	406-796-7671
Clerk & Recorder.....	406-796-2481
Clerk of District Court.....	406-796-2484
CommunityMentalHealth.....	406-377-6075
County Attorney	406-796-2431
Courthouse	406-796-2483
Dawson County Domestic Violence	406-377-6477
Mental Health/Counseling.....	406-377-6075
People'sLawCenter.....	406-294-7694
Public Assistance	406-796-2403
Sheriff	406-796-2415
Social Security	866-895-1795
WIC/Ramsey County Health Department	406-795-2485
Water & Natural Resources	406-228-2561
Wibaux Food Bank.....	406-796-2645

Prairie County

Cemetary.....	406-635-5575
Clerk of Court	406-635-5575
Coroner	406-635-5738
County Attorney	406-635-4529
Department of Revenue	406-232-1295
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Election Administrator	406-635-5575
Extension Service	406-635-2121
Fair	406-635-2121
Justice of the Peace	406-635-4466
Library	406-635-5546
Mosquito Control	406-635-5575
Museum & Evelyn Cameron Gallery	406-635-4040
Public Health	406-635-2020
Road Department	406-635-5436
Sanitarian	406-366-1424
Senior Citizen Center	406-635-5364
Sheriff	406-635-5738
Superintendant of Schools.....	406-635-5577
Treasurer	406-635-5577



For its rich lands and fertile soil, McCone County consisted primarily of ranchers and farmers when founded in 1919. It was named in honor of state senator George McCone. McCone is also known for its beautiful landmarks such as the Fort Peck Dam And Fort Peck Lake that is nationally recognized as a hot spot for walleye fishing. The lake also offers excellent fishing for sauger, smallmouth bass, lake trout, chinook salmon and northern pike. McCone is bordered to the south by Prairie and Garfield Counties, to the east by Richland and Dawson Counties, and to the west by Garfield County. Circle is the single incorporated community in the county and also the county seat. Other communities include Brockway and Vida. Today McCone is home to approximately 1,718 residents.

Town:

Circle - pop. 591

Unincorporated communitiesNickwall
Weldon**Census-designated places:**

Brockway - pop. 140

Vida - pop. 24

Circle (County Seat)

In the past it was common for a ranch to be known by its brand rather than the company or major owner's name. Therefore it is nothing short of ordinary that the Town of Circle inherited its name from the brand of the Mabry Cattle Corporation who came here in 1884. In 1905 Peter Rorvik started a store and post office in the old ranch house and naturally named the Post Office "Circle". Back then the little town mostly catered to ranchers and farmers. When McCone County was formed in 1919 Circle won the county seat, an important factor in the town's growth. To this day Circle is known as an outdoor enthusiast's dream! Wild life includes: mule deer, white tail deer, antelope, prairie dogs, coyotes, grouse, pheasants and eagles. Fort Peck Lake which is nearby is excellent for fishing and boating. Currently Circle is home to approximately 584 residents.

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Dawson was founded on January 15th, 1869 and is known to be one of the oldest counties of the state. It originated from the northern half of Big Horn County. Its name comes from Major Andrew Dawson, manager of the Fort Benton Trading Post for the American Fur company from 1856 to 1864. Partly badlands with views aplenty, Dawson County has many beautiful rock formations and area attractions. Makoshika State Park is a prime example of unusual rock formations. Yellowstone River also flows through part of the county providing wonderful boating and fishing opportunities for its residents. At this time, Dawson is called home by nearly 8,904 people.

City
Glendive (county seat) - pop. 4873

Census-designated place
West Glendive - pop. 1998

Town
Richey - pop. 1104

Unincorporated communities
Bloomfield
Lindsay

Glendive (County Seat)

Glendive is considered to be an agricultural hub of Eastern Montana. Although the town is tucked between the Yellowstone River and the Badlands it has many great sites to see, such as the rugged terrain and jagged rock formations in the area. The Makoshika State Park is just east of Glendive that has 11,000 acres that contains stunning badlands known to conceal dinosaur fossils. At this time Glendive has approximately 4,873 residents.

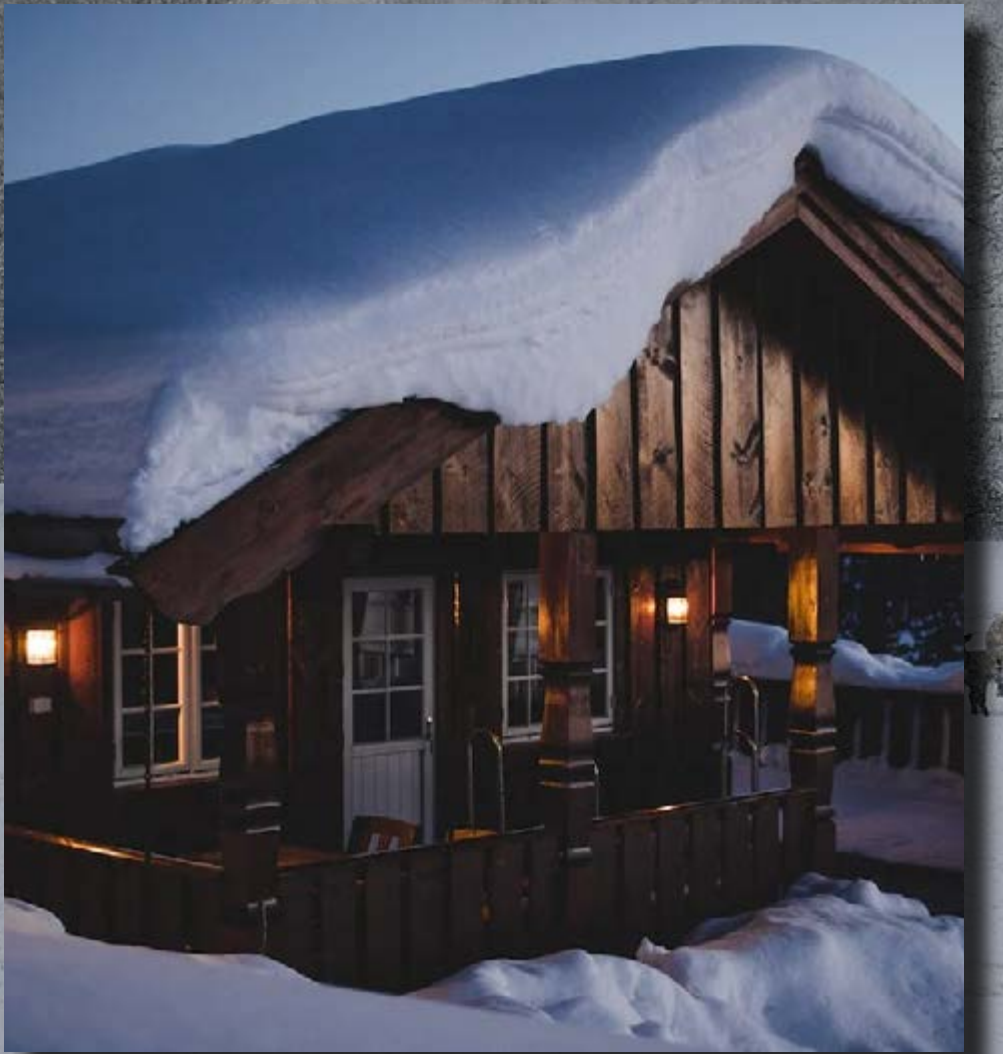
Richey

North of the county seat of Glendive sits the tiny community of Richey (pop. 164 as of the 2020 U.S. Census), located betwixt the Yellowstone and Missouri rivers. According to the town's website, Richey is primarily an agricultural community, but oil and gas mining are gaining traction. Fort Peck Lake is located nearby and offers a multitude of recreational activities.

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In 1914, Wibaux County was created by the Montana Legislature from parts of Dawson, Fallon, and Richland Counties. The County was named after a renowned 19th century cattle baron named Pierre Wibaux, a friend of Theodore Roosevelt whose ranch was just over the border in Dakota Territory. According to legend, Pierre Wibaux's cowboys surrounded the town of Mingsville, and wouldn't let anyone enter or leave town unless they signed a petition changing the name of the town to Wibaux. After his death, his ashes were spread over a hill west of Wibaux. Later a statue was resurrected of Pierre Wibaux that stands on that hill to this day. Currently Wibaux county has a population of approximately 934 residents.

Town

Wibaux (county seat) - pop. 454

Unincorporated communities

Carlyle

Yates

Wibaux (town and county seat)

According to the Ultimate Montana Atlas and Travel Encyclopedia, Wibaux was named after well-known local cattle rancher Pierre Wibaux. Wibaux, who had immigrated to the area from France in 1883, purchased livestock from ranchers whose livelihoods had been damaged by the hard winter of 1886-87. There exists an old legend that Theodore Roosevelt got his nickname "Old Four Eyes" in Wibaux, shortly after moving to the area from New York City. The town is home to the Pierre Wibaux House Museum Complex (featuring the Centennial Car), and was the setting for a Vin Diesel movie, Knockaround Guys. Wibaux is currently called home by approximately 454 residents as of the 2020 U.S. Census.

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Prairie county has a wide range of beautiful sights, from beautiful landscapes to jagged rock formations. Prairie County was created by the Montana Legislature in 1915 out of the parts of Custer, Dawson, and Fallon Counties. The name was selected in a contest and reflects the predominant landscape of the region. Currently the population in Prairie County is approximately 1,088 residents. The county seat is Terry.

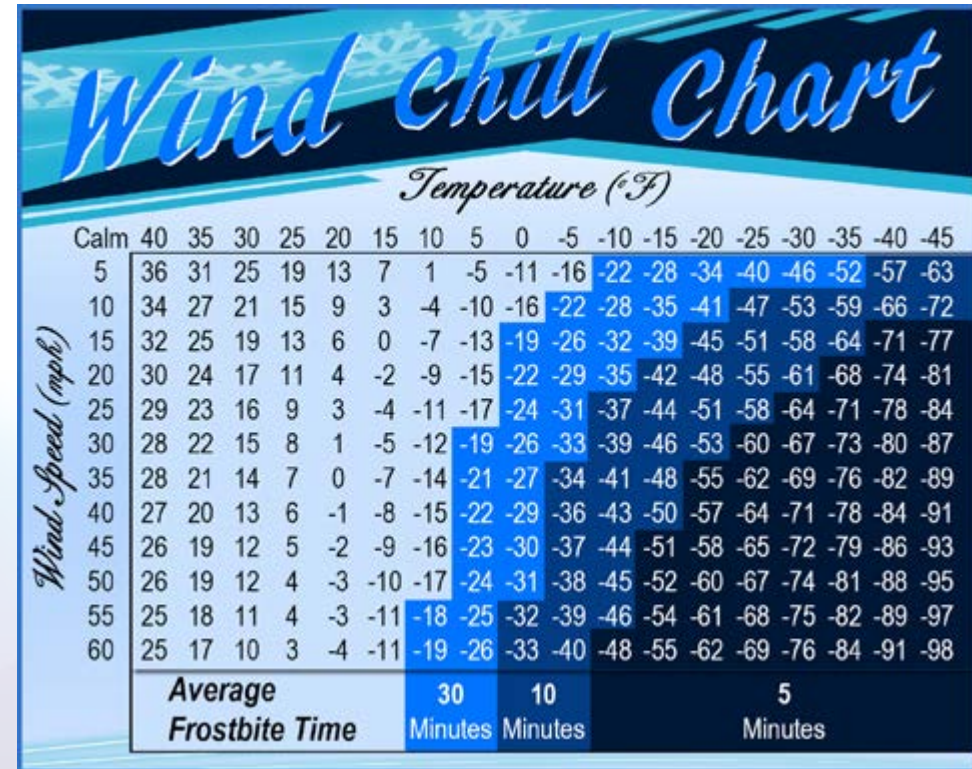
Town
Terry (county seat) - pop. 572

Census-designated place
Fallon - pop. 164

Other communities
Crow Rock
McCloud
Mildred
Saugus
Zero

Terry (county seat)

The Montana Historical Society Research Center cites that Terry was originally called Joubert's Landing and renamed in 1881 for General Alfred H. Terry, who led an expedition in 1876 that was connected with General Custer's campaign against Native Americans. Incorporated in 1910, Terry's population was 572 as of the 2020 U.S. Census. Located along the Yellowstone Trail, it is home to the Kempton Hotel, Montana's largest continuously operated hotel. Evelyn Cameron, a photographer from Great Britain, lived in Terry in the 1800s and photographed notable features of the area. Her work was discovered in the 1970s by Donna Lucey, who published Photographing Montana 1894-1928. Terry also features the Terry Badlands Wilderness Study Area, the "Terry Yippie" (a barbecue festival held annually in July) and the Prairie County Museum & Evelyn Cameron Gallery.



Fort Peck Reservoir and Recreation Area c/o US Army Corps of Engineers

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According to the official state travel site of Montana, Fort Peck Lake is Montana's largest body of water. 50+ different kinds of fish swim in its reservoir. Visitors can swim, boat, or fish in its vast expanses. It is open Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Makoshika State Park

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According to the Montana State Parks website, Makoshika is Montana's largest state park and features interesting badlands, campgrounds, Tyrannosaurus Rex and Triceratops fossil remains, and interpretive exhibits for children at the park's visitors center.

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How to get started composting

1. Make a compost bin or you can buy one
2. Place yard waste in and mix in kitchen scraps
3. Water as needed, to keep moist
4. Mix it with a shovel or pitchfork once in a while

What to compost

Food scraps such as banana peels and coffee grounds are good to compost. The best results come from mixing the right materials like, nitrogen-rich (greens), carbon-rich (browns), water, and air. Get the mixture correct and you will have good quality compost.

What not to compost

Although a lot of stuff is compostable, you should stay away from composting things that will attract scavengers or create bad odors. Some things you should not add to your compost are pet feces, diseased plants, weeds gone to seed, ashes, dairy, oils and food with meat or bones.

How long will it take?

Most likely you will produce compost in six months to a year depending on your management methods. To make compost faster keep the correct moisture levels and turn the pile every once in awhile.

Using the finished compost

Compost is not a fertilizer but it can contain nutrients which improves plant growth. By using compost, you can improve the soil around your plants, flowers and throughout your yard, it also reduces your use of fertilizer and water. Another good use for your compost is to use it for your potted plants.



LOCAL AREA ATTRACTIONS

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Autumn Foliage

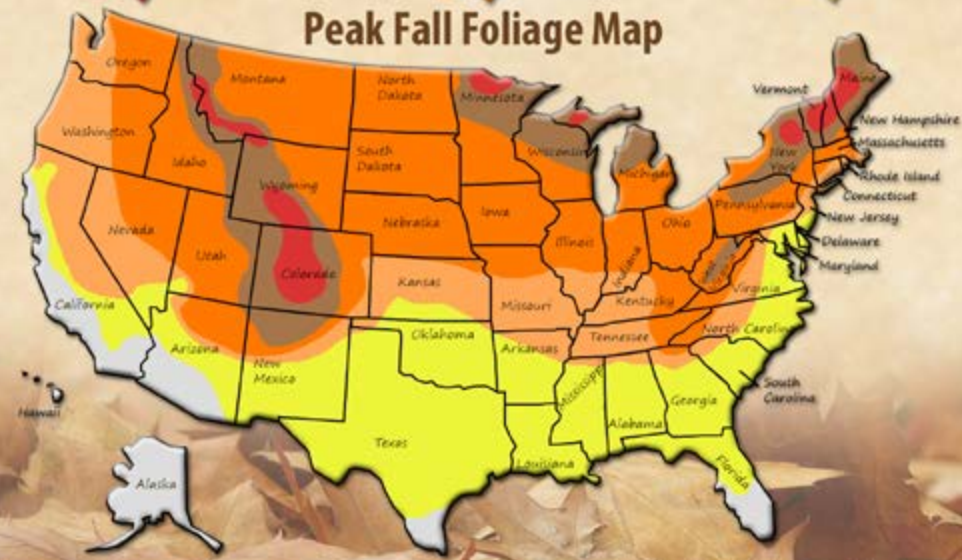


In the spring and summer tree leaves are green, producing nutrients for the tree. The green color comes from cells in the leaves containing chlorophyll. Chlorophyll absorbs sunlight for energy to transform carbon dioxide and water into carbohydrates.

In the fall, shortening days and cooling temperatures makes the leaves stop producing nutrients. The chlorophyll starts to break down and the green color disappears. The different colors of each tree and tree type are due to the mixing of varying amounts of the chlorophyll residue and other pigments in the leaf during the fall season.



Peak Fall Foliage Map



DISC GOLF

Disc golf or frisbee golf is played a lot like traditional ball golf but instead of hitting a ball with a club into a hole the player throws a frisbee into a basket. Disc golf can be played by just about anyone at any age. It's also an inexpensive sport to get into. Specialized frisbees for disc golf cost around \$10-\$15 and a lot of courses are free. Playing disc golf is a great way to get out for some exercise, enjoy nature and have some fun.



MONTANA HUNTING SEASONS

Hunting Seasons: Courtesy of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, & Parks'
Website: <http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/seasons/>

These dates are provided only as a general reference. Check current regulations for specific dates at: <http://fwp.mt.gov>

MT HUNTING SEASONS, 2023

Montana Antelope Seasons

900 series: Aug. 15 - Nov. 12
Archery: Sept. 2 - Oct. 6
General: Oct. 7 - Nov. 12

Montana Bighorn Sheep Seasons

Archery: Sept. 2 - Sept. 14
General: Sept. 15 - Nov. 26

Montana Black Bear Seasons

Spring: Apr. 15 - May 31 or June 15
Spring Hound Hunting: Apr. 15 - May 25
Spring Hound Training: June 1 - June 15
Archery: Sept. 2 - Sept. 14
Fall: Sept. 15 - Nov. 26

Montana Deer & Elk Seasons

Archery: Sept. 2 - Oct. 15
Youth, deer only: Oct. 19 - Oct. 20
General: Oct. 21 - Nov. 26
Shoulder seasons: Aug. 15 - Feb. 15, varying dates before and/or after the archery and general seasons
Muzzleloader: Dec. 9 - 17
Backcountry - HD's 150, 280, 316*
Archery: Sept. 3 - Sept. 14
General: Sept. 15 - Nov. 27
*HD 316 does not have an Archery-only Season

Montana Bison Seasons

Nov. 15 - Feb. 15, 2024

Moose

Sept. 15 - Nov. 26

Mountain Goat

Sept. 15 - Nov. 26

Mountain Lion

Archery (without dogs): Sept. 3 - Oct. 16
Fall (without dogs): Oct. 22 - Nov. 27
Winter: Dec. 1 - April 14
Resident Hound Training Season: Dec. 2 - April 14

Upland Game Birds Seasons

Mountain Grouse: Sept. 1 - Jan. 1
Partridge: Sept. 1 - Jan. 1 (except for portion of Carbon County, where it is Sept. 1 - Jan. 10)
Ring-necked Pheasant: Oct. 7 - Jan. 1
Youth Hunt: Sept. 23 - Sept. 24
Sage Grouse: Sept. 1 - Sept. 30
Sharp-tailed Grouse: Sept. 1 - Jan. 1
Falconry: Sept. 1 - March 31

Turkey

Spring: April 15 - May 31
Fall: Sept. 1 - Jan. 1

Furbearer Seasons

For general reference only. 2022 dates adopted in August, 2022.

Trapping Districts 1, 2 & 3

Beaver Nov 1–April 15, 2023
Bobcat Dec 1–Feb 15, 2023*

Trapping Districts 4, 5, 6 & 7

Beaver Sept 1–May 31, 2023
Bobcat Dec 1–Mar 1, 2023*

Portion of Trapping District 6

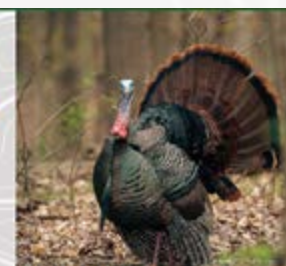
Swift Fox Nov 1–Mar 1, 2023*
Fisher, Marten, Wolverine (where open) Dec 1–Feb 15, 23*
Mink, Muskrat, Otter Nov 1–April 15, 2023*

** May dose earlier when the quota is reached.*

**Check the MT FWP website for updates. <https://fwp.mt.gov/> or scan the QR code*



SAFETY FIRST: Treat every firearm as if it's loaded and always point the muzzle in a safe direction. Wear appropriate protective gear. Be aware of your surroundings and the location of fellow hunters.
KNOW YOUR GAME & REGULATIONS: Familiarize with the species you're hunting, their habitats, behaviors, and migration patterns. Research and adhere to all local, state, and federal hunting regulations.
PRACTICE SHOOTING SKILLS: This will improve your accuracy and confidence. Work on different shooting positions, target tracking, and quick shots.
SCOUTING & HABITAT KNOWLEDGE: Scout potential hunting areas before the season to identify their habitats, feeding grounds, and roosting sites.
USE PROPER GEAR & TECHNIQUES: Choose hunting gear specific to the species you're targeting. Research and practice hunting techniques, such as camouflage, concealment, calling and understand wind direction.



Remember that ethical hunting practices, respect for wildlife, and safety should always be paramount while participating in any hunting activity. Additionally, always make sure to follow local hunting guidelines and regulations to protect the environment and wildlife populations.
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OUTDOOR Fun Facts

- 85% of plant life is found in the ocean
- Fire usually moves faster uphill than downhill
- Wildfires can reach speeds of 14 miles per hour
- For every human there are around 200 million insects
- The only continent with no active volcanoes is Australia
- You can only see a rainbow if you have your back to the sun
- The record high in the U.S. was in Death Valley, CA at 134F and the record low was in Prospect Creek, AK at -79F
- Oak trees produce acorns when they are around 20 years old
- Parks run by the National Park Service have around 3 million campers per year

FIREWOOD

Burn it where you get it!



Invasive pests like the Emerald Ash Borer and Gypsy Moth have devastated millions of trees in the United States. Where these pests come from, the population stays in control because, they have natural predators. The United States does not have these natural predators so the populations have the chance to grow to extreme numbers.



Emerald Ash Borer

Gypsy Moth Caterpillar

Preventing the Spread

- Buy local firewood.
- Burn all firewood completely at each destination.
- Move only Certified firewood out of a quarantine county or across state boundaries.
- Use firewood from nearby sources to heat your home or cabin.
- Tell your friends and family about the importance of not moving firewood.
- Don't move hardwood firewood out of a quarantine county, unless it is state or USDA certified.
- Don't move opened firewood bundles.
- Don't move firewood long distances to or from your lake home or cabin.

Invasive Pests are a Problem!

FISHING SEASONS & RECORDS

2023 Montana Fishing Seasons Lakes & Reservoirs - Open all year Rivers & Streams

• *Western District* - 3rd Sat in May through Nov. 30 unless otherwise specified in Exceptions to Standard Regulations.

• *Central District* - Open all year, unless otherwise specified in Exceptions to Standard Regulations.

• *Eastern District* - Open all year

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FISH	MONTANA NATIVE	LENGTH (inches)	WEIGHT	SITE	ANGLER	DATE
Arctic Grayling	■	20	3.63 lbs.	Washub Lake	Glenn Owens	8/28/03
Bigmouth Buffalo	■	40.7	57.75 lbs.	Nelson Reservoir	Craig D. Grasseel	8/4/94
Black Bullhead		14.37	2.60 lbs.	Smiley Slough	Birrell White	8/20/09
Black Crappie		16.7	3.13 lbs.	Tongue River Reservoir	Al Elser	1973
Bluegill		11	2.64 lbs.	Peterson's Stock Dam	Brent Fladmo	6/3/83
Blue Sucker	■	34.66	13.29	Marias River	Jason Karls	4/19/19
Brook Trout			9.06 lbs.	Lower Two Medicine Lake	John R. Cook	1940
Brown Trout		37	32.42	Marias River	Robbie Dockter	3/3/21
Bull Trout (Dolly Varden)	■	37	25.63 lbs.		James Hyer	1916
Burbot	■	39	17.06 lbs.	Missouri River Wolf Point	Jeff Eugene Iwen	4/18/99
Channel Catfish	■	38.75	35.18	Colstrip Surge Pond	John D. Smith	7/7/19
Chinook Salmon		38.125	32.05	Fort Peck Reservoir	Greg Haug	8/16/20
Cisco		18.2	2.06 lbs.	Missouri River	Troy Holstein	6/2/14
Creek Chub	■	11.0	.52 lbs.	Harbaugh Bass Pond	William Bibeau	5/12/13
Coho Salmon		25.5	4.88 lbs.	Fort Peck Reservoir Face of Dam	Irven F. Stohl	5/29/73
Common Carp		38	40.2 lbs.	Nelson Reservoir	Jared S. Albus	5/24/96
Cutthroat Trout	■		16 lbs.	Red Eagle Lake	Wm. D. Sands	1955
Emerald Shiner		3.43	0.01 lbs.	Park Grove Bridge	Ike Braaten	6/9/06
Fathead Minnow	■	2.7	0.01 lbs.	Dollar Lake	Chris Gustine	5/30/14
Flathead Chub	■	11.2	0.59 lbs.	Thomton Pond	Douglas Jordan	4/29/01
Freshwater Drum	■	29.5	21.59 lbs.	Fort Peck - Ghost Coulee	Matt Washut	5/3/03
Golden Trout		23.5	5.43 lbs.	Cave Lake	Mike Maloi	7/16/00
Goldeye	■		3.18 lbs.	Nelson Reservoir	Don Nevilvy	7/4/00
Green Sunfish		9.0	0.84 lbs.	Hickson's Pond	Bette Schmieding	5/25/09
Kokanee Salmon		26.8	7.85 lbs.	Hauser Lake	John Bomar	9/23/03
Lake Chub	■	3.9	.02 lbs.	Teton River	Joe Hagengruber	8/22/10
Lake Trout		42.5	42.69 lbs.	Flathead Lake	Ruth Barber	6/23/04
Lake Whitefish		27	10.46 lbs.	Flathead Lake	Swan McDonald V	8/26/06
Largemouth Bass		22.5	9.68	Lake Elmo	Brandon Wright	4/24/21
Largescale Sucker	■	23.1	6.16 lbs.	Woodland Pond	Kevin Fraley	8/27/06
Longnose Sucker	■	19.5	4.21	Holter Lake	Austin Wargo	5/17/21
Mottled Sculpin	■		0.05 lbs.	Belt Creek (North of Nashart MT)	Brad Sullivan	7/30/01
Mountain Sucker	■	6.2	1.60 oz.	Beaver Creek Reservoir	Robert Genwood	4/23/01

FISH	MONTANA NATIVE	LENGTH (inches)	WEIGHT	SITE	ANGLER	DATE
Mountain Whitefish	■	23	5.11 lbs.	Hauser Reservoir	Walt Goodman	10/10/07
Northern Pikeminnow	■	27.125	7.88 lbs.	Noxon Rapids Reservoir	Darrel Torgrimson	5/28/91
Northern Pike			37.5 lbs.	Tongue River Reservoir	Lance Moyer	1972
Paddlefish	■	77	142.5 lbs.	Missouri River Near Kipp Park	Larry Bransletter	5/20/73
Pallid Sturgeon	■		60 lbs.	Yellowstone River Near Sidney	Gene Sattler	5/13/79
Peamouth	■	16.125	1.52 lbs.	Clark Fork River	Mike Jensen	7/29/07
Pumpkinseed		9.5	0.96 lbs.	Upper Thompson Lake	Nathan Beche	7/30/06
Pygmy Whitefish	■	9.84	0.36 lbs.	Little Bitterroot Lake	Richard Geldrich	2/13/10
Rainbow Smelt		7.1	0.08	Fort Peck Reservoir	Nathan Cooper	2/18/20
Rainbow Trout		38.62	33.1 lbs.	Kootenai River David Thompson Brdg	Jack G. House, Jr.	8/1/97
Rainbow-Cutthroat Hybrid Trout		35.75	30.25 lbs.	Ashley Lake	Pat Kelley	5/16/82
Redside Shiner	■	6.5	0.10 lbs.	Lost Lake	Josh Ahles	8/21/01
River Carpsucker	■	24	6.95 lbs.	Fort Peck Reservoir	Brady Miller	8/15/08
Rock Bass		10.8	1.31 lbs.	Lower Crazy Head Springs Pond	Karson Campbell	4/26/14
Sauger	■	28.2	8.805 lbs.	Fort Peck Reservoir	Gene Moore	12/12/94
Saugeye			15.66 lbs.	Fort Peck Reservoir Squaw Creek	Myron Kibler	1/11/95
Shorthead Redhorse	■	20.25	4.68 lbs.	Marias River Near Loma	Ray Quigley	4/14/85
Shortnose Gar	■	35	7.41 lbs.	Fort Peck Dredge Cuts	Brandon Hansard	5/16/13
Shovelnose Sturgeon	■	39.75	14.125 lbs.	Missouri River	Chad Buck	5/21/10
Smallmouth Bass		22	7.84	Fort Peck Reservoir	Theron Thompson	10/3/20
Smallmouth Buffalo	■	38	38 lbs.	Nelson Reservoir	Brady Miller	4/28/07
Spottail Shiner		3.0	.02 lbs.	Tiber Reservoir	Joe Hagengruber	8/14/10
Stonecat	■	10	0.54 lbs.	Milk River	Dale Bjerga	6/16/96
Tiger Muskellunge		50	38.75 lbs.	Deadmans Basin Reservoir	Leo Cantin	9/2/12
Tiger Trout		20.6	4.04 lbs.	Bear Lake	Joe Sobczak	2/9/97
Utah Chub			1.61 lbs.	Canyon Ferry Reservoir	Eugene Bastian	2/5/92
Walleye		32.25	18.02	Holter Lake	Trevor Johnson	5/10/21
White Bass		17	2.80 lbs.	Missouri River South of Bainville	Vernon Pacovsky	10/13/07
White Crappie		18.5	3.68 lbs.	Tongue River	Gene Bassett	5/10/96
White Sturgeon	■	75	96 lbs.	Kootenai River	Herb Stout	1988
White Sucker	■	21.625	5.33 lbs.	Nelson Reservoir	Fred Perry	2/10/83
Yellow Bullhead	■	15.5	1.91	Tongue River Reservoir	Roberta Legge	12/17/20
Yellow Perch		14.375	2.39 lbs.	Lower Stillwater Lake	Josh Emmart	2/19/06

ICE SAFETY GUIDELINES:



Did you know?

- Ice always forms unevenly. It can be 2 feet thick in one spot, and just a few inches thick a couple feet away.
- The most dangerous ice is formed over flowing water. It's especially dangerous near streams, culverts and bridges. Also, the faster the water is running, usually means the weaker the ice will be.
- Snow insulates the ice and slows the freezing process. The added weight of the snow reduces the strength of the ice. Also, ice that is closer to shore is usually weaker than ice farther out.
- Cracking and rumbling ice isn't always bad. The ice expands and contracts as the temperature rises and falls.
- Fish and birds/wildlife can also effect the ice. Schools of fish can bring warm water from the bottom of lakes, and open holes in seemingly thick ice.
- **ALWAYS BE CAUTIOUS WHEN YOU ARE ON ICE!**



ICE FISHING

Find the Perfect Spot



- Trying to figure out where to drill your fishing holes can be tough. A couple ways to make this easier is to buy a map that shows the contour and depth of the lake or look online for a suitable map.

- Before drilling holes, check your map or online for areas with drop-offs, sandbars, mounds of rocks or weed lines. If the first spot you chose to drill holes is not producing any fish, don't sit there and wait. Drill new holes at a new location to find the fish. You may not have to move far, just try new holes at different depths. It's not easy moving all your gear around while drilling holes, but if you want to catch fish you have to find them.

- Early in the ice fishing season, the fish will tend to stay in shallower waters. Later in the season the fish will move to deeper waters. At the end of the season, the fish will start to move into shallower waters again.

- Walleye, sauger and perch tend to hang out near the bottom. Northern pike stay off the bottom while they are in shallow water and stay near the bottom when in deeper waters. Panfish will be at different depths depending on what they are eating. Trout don't sit around: they will be at random depths and areas in the search of food. If you have a fish finder it will make it a lot easier to judge the fish type and depth to set the bait.



BUTTERED-UP Steak



Simple meal with a Gourmet Feel

INGREDIENTS

2 steaks (ribeye or sirloin are good choices)

Salt and pepper

2 tablespoons unsalted butter

2 cloves garlic, minced

Fresh herbs (optional)

INSTRUCTIONS

1 Take the steaks out of the refrigerator and let them come to room temperature for about 30 minutes. This helps the steak cook more evenly.

2 Preheat your oven to 400°F.

3 Season the steaks generously with salt and pepper on both sides.

4 Heat a large skillet over high heat until very hot. Add the steaks and cook for about 2-3 minutes per side, until nicely browned.

5 Remove the steaks from the skillet and place them on a baking sheet.

6 In the same skillet, add the butter and garlic. Cook for about 30 seconds, stirring constantly, until the garlic is fragrant.

7 Pour the garlic butter over the steaks on the baking sheet.

8 Place the baking sheet in the oven and cook for about 5-7 minutes for medium-rare doneness, or longer if you prefer your steak more well-done.

9 Remove the steaks from the oven and let them rest for a few minutes before slicing.

10 Serve the steak with any remaining butter from the baking sheet and fresh herbs if desired.



BARBECUE DO'S:

- use proper barbecue equipment and tools, such as a grill, tongs, and spatulas.
- preheat your grill before placing any food on it.
- marinate your meat before cooking to enhance the flavor.
- keep a close eye on your food while grilling to prevent overcooking or burning.
- use a meat thermometer to ensure that your meat is cooked to the correct internal temperature.
- let your meat rest for a few minutes before slicing or serving to allow the juices to redistribute.
- keep your grill and utensils clean to prevent any foodborne illness.

BARBECUE DON'TS:

- use lighter fluid to start your grill. Instead, use a chimney starter or electric starter.
- overcrowd your grill. Leave enough space between the pieces of meat to ensure even cooking.
- use a fork to flip your meat. Piercing the meat can cause it to lose its juices and become dry.
- baste your meat with sugary sauces too early in the cooking process, as it can burn and create a bitter taste.
- leave cooked meat out in the sun for too long, as it can spoil quickly.
- assume that meat is fully cooked by its color. Always use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature.
- leave your grill unattended while it's still hot. Always make sure to properly cool it down before leaving it.



Enjoy your delicious
buttered-up steak!

PREP: 35 MIN • TOTAL: 50 MIN

ATV SAFETY

Know Your ATV

Read the owner's manual

and know your vehicle thoroughly. • Check your vehicle before you ride. • Wear protective equipment and clothing. • Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders. • Supervise young or inexperienced riders. • Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider. • Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol. • Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions. • Stay to the right on trails. • Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands • Know the weather forecast. • Make sure headlights and taillights work properly. • Maintain safe distances between other riders. • Reduce your speed when riding at night. • Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users. • Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY

Snowmobile Hand Signals

Communication is an essential part of safe riding. Hand signals are a practical way to communicate between other riders and traffic. Be sure to give easy to see and clear hand signals when snowmobiling. Hand signals should never be subtle, but always deliberate.

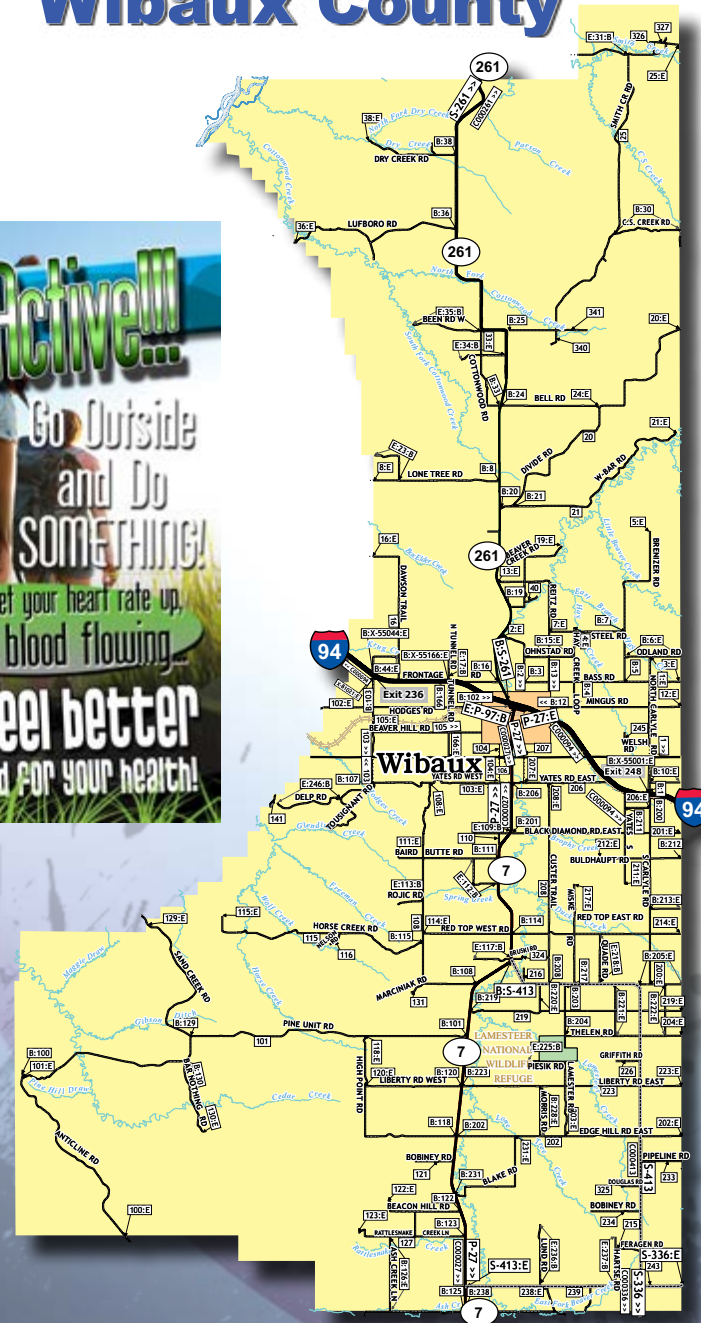


- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

PRIVATE PROPERTY
NO TRESPASSING

Please respect private property and no trespassing signs. Stay on trails. Exercise extreme caution on all lakes and streams. Obey all state and local laws and ordinances. Do not operate snowmobiles/ATV's on county roads or state highways.

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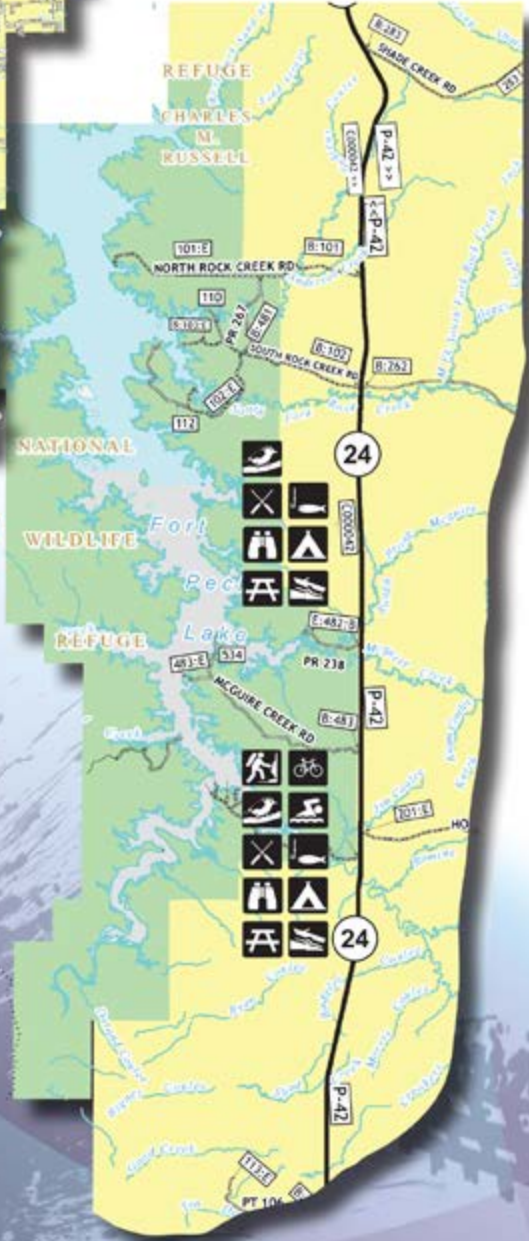


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Montana Fun Facts:

1. Montana has a total Population of about 1,005,141 people
2. It's Nickname is the "Treasure State"
3. The State Capital is Helena
4. Bitterroot is the State Flower
5. The State Bird is the Western Meadowlark
6. The Grizzly Bear is the State Animal
7. The Blackspotted Cutthroat Trout is the State Fish
8. Sapphire and Agate are the State Gemstones
9. The State motto is "Oro Y Plata" or "Gold and Silver"



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Bird Feeder Care Tips



With the return of summer means the return of a variety of bird species. If you plan on providing food, there are a few things to keep in mind.

According to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, birds may become sick from moldy bird food and uncleaned bird feeders. This tends to happen in spring more often because of the rain and humidity. If there is mold growth, it can cause an avian disease called aspergillosis, which can disrupt a birds respiratory system. Birds can also get Salmonella from unclean feeders. Either of the diseases may kill the bird.

You should wash your bird feeders a few times every year to ensure their is no mold growth. You can do this with some bleach and water (one part bleach to nine parts water), just make sure to rinse and dry well. If you can, let it dry in the sun to help kill off any left over bacteria. This also applies to hummingbird feeders but, they should be cleaned weekly.

You also need to clean up the fallen seeds and hulls from the ground under the bird feeders to prevent moldy conditions. The seeds on the ground have a tendency of attracting some animals you may not want around like mice, voles, raccoons and bears.

When buying a bird feeder you should look for one with as much air flow as possible. Look for hopper-type feeders or fly-through feeders that provide good air flow. Another way to help keep the bird seed dry is by filling the bird feeder less and more often.



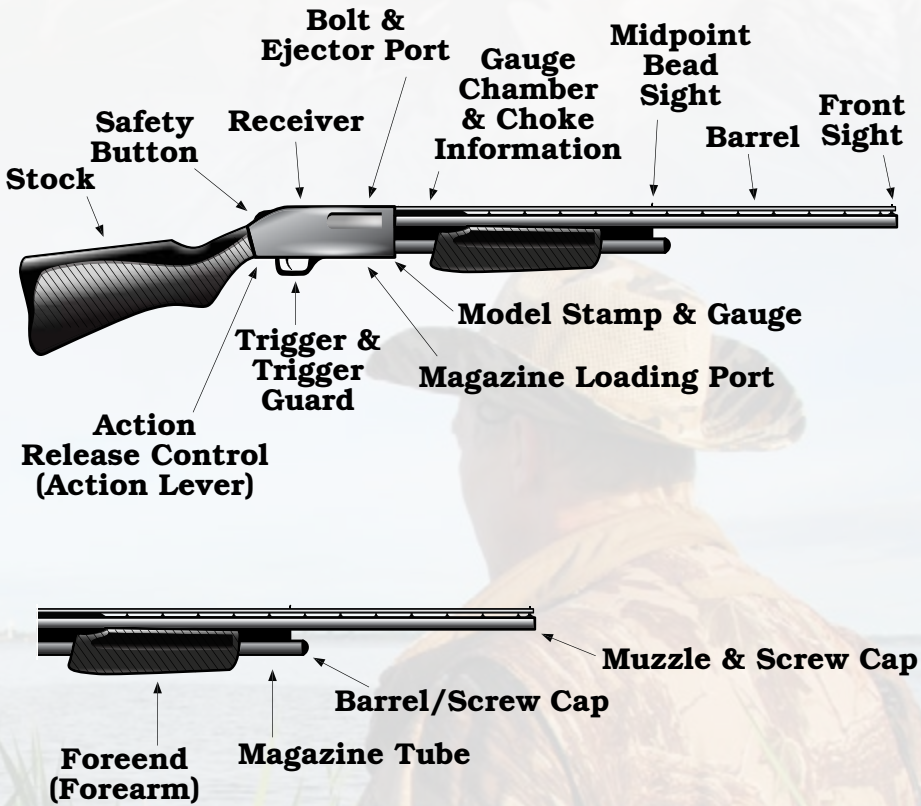
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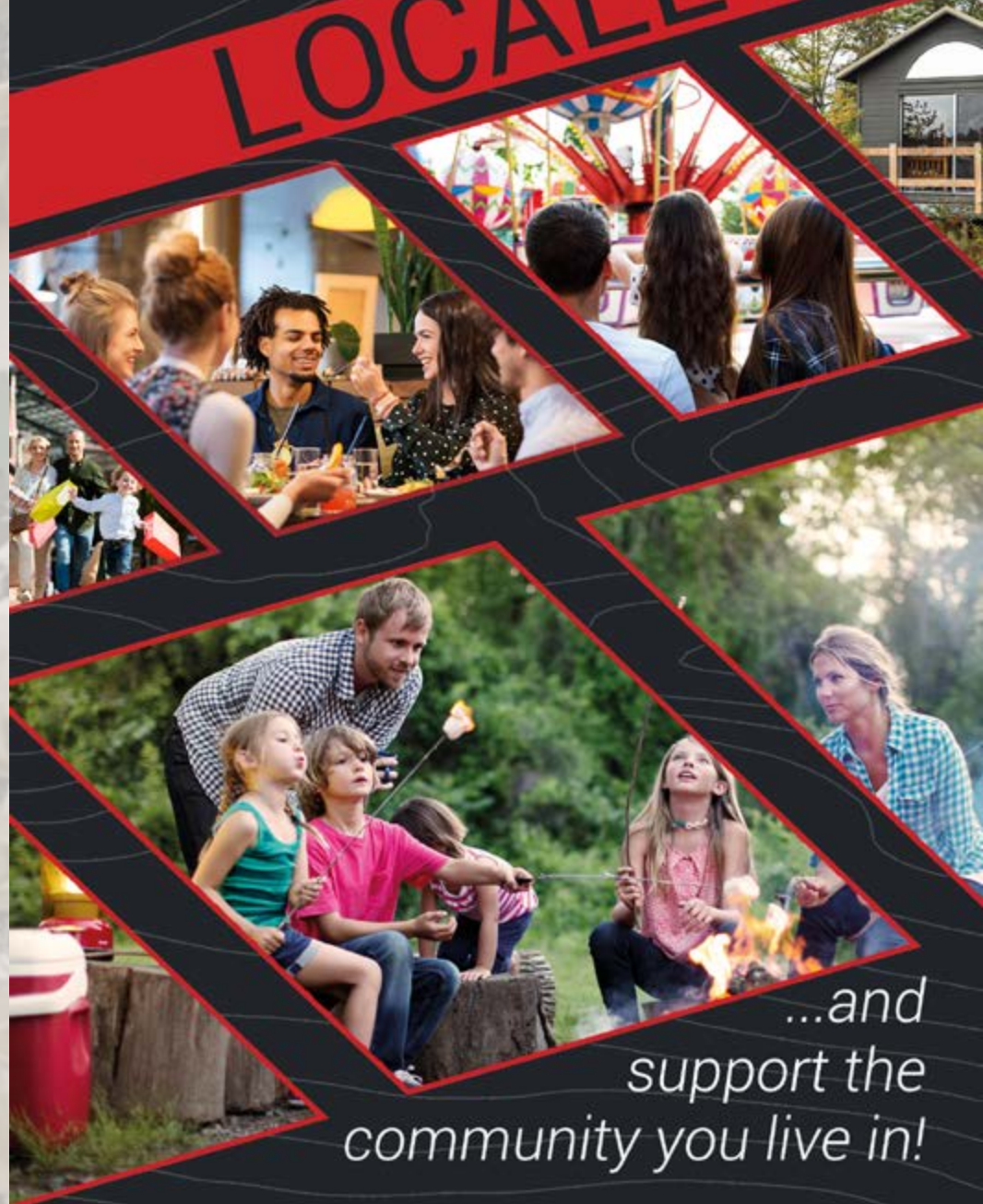
All hunters should consider taking an advanced hunter education class to learn the latest hunting techniques along with tips on coming home alive.

Here are 5 Suggestions for a safe and successful hunting experience:

1. Get a detailed map of the area you are hunting, review it before you leave, and carry it with you in the field.
2. Carry a compass and know how to use it. Decide ahead of time the direction to head for if you get lost or disoriented.
3. Weather can change quickly, so hunters should carry a simple survival kit and be prepared for an unexpected overnight stay in the field. The survival kit should contain a rope, a knife, water, waterproof matches, an emergency shelter, and first aid supplies.
4. If you are on the water, make sure to wear a personal flotation device (life preserver).
5. Know your hunting partners' physical and emotional limitations, as well as your own, and don't push your partners or yourself beyond those limits.

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