



DAKOTA PRAIRIE LODGE & RESORT

PRAIRIE NEWS



TRAVELING THROUGH THE SOUTHEAST



An exotic taxidermy display at GAOS

We closed out the first two months of the year in Charleston, South Carolina, attending one of our favorite shows: the Southeastern Wildlife Exposition, or SEWE. It has been a busy start to 2024 as we travel throughout the southeastern part of the country visiting numerous hunting shows. Also in February, we enjoyed the NRA's Great American Outdoor Show, where we were situated among 14 acres of exhibitors.

Back in January, we had a blast in Music City at Nashville's Safari Club International show. Visiting shows not only gives us the chance to see hunters during our off season but also allows us to learn more about hunting, fishing, and other outdoor sports. What's not to love?

SHOW SEASON IS HERE! VIEW OUR SCHEDULE

Show season is off to a strong start – but it's not over yet! Here are the shows our team will be attending in March. We hope to see you there!

Dixie Deer Classic

March 1-3
Booth E12
Raleigh, NC

Open Season Sportsman's Expo

March 8-10
Booth 406
Overland Park, KS

Open Season Sportsman's Expo

March 15-17
Booth 436
Columbus, OH

Open Season Sportsman's Expo

March 22-24
Booth TBD
Wisconsin Dells, WI

WHAT'S NEW AT THE LODGE?

March is sure to be another exciting month here at Dakota Prairie Lodge & Resort. We are back in the Midwest and will be visiting several smaller hunting shows. From March 1st through 3rd, you can find us at Dixie Deer Classic in Raleigh, North Carolina. After that, we're heading back to Overland Park, Kansas for Open Season Sportsman's Expo on March 8-10. We'll follow that show on the road in Columbus, Ohio on March 15-17 and Wisconsin Dells on March 22-24.

Our next large show is scheduled for May: We will be attending the NRA Annual Convention in Dallas, Texas on May 17-19. Until then, come visit us at one of the local shows near you! We are always thrilled to see our hunters at shows, and it is a great opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new ones.

Wondering how to find our booth? Check our site for details – or simply look for black labs Molly and Emma!



THE ULTIMATE LIST OF MUST-READ BOOKS ABOUT HUNTING

While we are a community of outdoorsmen (and women), the winter months are the perfect time to relax and spend a cozy afternoon by the fire. If you're looking for a book to remind you of hunting season, here are our top picks.

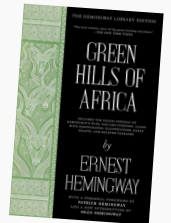


CALL OF THE WILD BY JACK LONDON

A short adventure novel set in Yukon, Canada during the 1890s Klondike Gold Rush, when sled dogs were in high demand. The novel revolves around Buck, a dog who is stolen from his California home and put into service as a sled dog in Alaska. Forced to fight for survival, Buck becomes primitive and dominant and forges a strong bond with outdoorsman John Thornton.

THE GREEN HILLS OF AFRICA BY ERNEST HEMINGWAY

Focused on the East African landscape of Tanzania, *The Green Hills of Africa* is a nonfiction work by Ernest Hemingway that details a month in 1933 that he spent on safari in Africa with his wife, Pauline. Much of the narrative describes Hemingway's experiences pursuing exotic beasts in the Lake Manyara region.

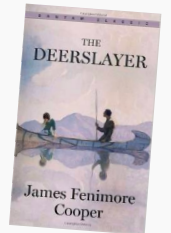


HUNTING TRIPS OF A RANCHMAN BY THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Great American president and legendary outdoorsman Theodore Roosevelt penned two tales about his experiences tracking a twelve-hundred-pound grizzly bear through the pine forests of the western Bighorn Mountains. He wrote these stories during his time working as a ranchman in the South Dakota Badlands. While the hunting-related portion of the books is certainly exciting, some of Roosevelt's most moving passages occur as he reflects on the beautiful natural environment and the simple pleasures of ranch life.

THE DEERSLAYER BY JAMES FENIMORE COOPER

James Fenimore Cooper's last novel in his *Leatherstocking Tales* series, *The Deerslayer* follows the series' hero, Natty Bumppo. Set on Otsego Lake in Upstate New York, *The Deerslayer* chronicles the life of the young frontiersman and his interactions with Native American people and cultures in the New World. It is set at the very beginning of American westward expansion, making it a classic tale of outdoor adventure.



CRIES OF THE SAVANNA BY SUE TIDWELL

Sue Tidwell, whom we have had the pleasure of hosting at our very own Lodge, shares an adventurous tale of an African safari trip she took with her husband to the Tanzanian bush. Tidwell covers exhilarating hunts for exotic species as well as fascinating commentary about conservation and hunting for rare species. This book is sure to pique your interest in exotic hunts and the intricacies of ethical sportsmanship.

CALL ME HUNTER: A NOVEL BY JIM SHOCKEY

Jim Shockey is a Canadian outdoor writer, television producer, and host of numerous hunting shows. His fiction work, *Call Me Hunter* is a journey into the dark underbelly of secret societies and the great outdoors.



PRAIRIE PUZZLE

February Question: What National Park is located in South Dakota?



- a) Grand Canyon National Park
- b) Badlands National Park
- c) Yellowstone National Park
- d) Arches National Park

Submit your answer by March 10, 2024, for a chance to win! Answers will be accepted via email, phone, or mail. Correct answers will be entered into the prize drawing to receive a FREE Dakota Prairie Lodge & Resort hat.