

DAKOTA PRAIRIE LODGE & RESORT

PRAIRIE NEWS



GIVING TUESDAY SUPPORT LAND & LEGACY

Every year, the Tuesday that falls immediately after Thanksgiving is designated as Giving Tuesday. This special day offers a chance to give back to the causes that mean the most to you, all in the spirit of Thanksgiving gratitude. Plus, you will score a tax write off before the end of the year.

This year, we invite you to give to Land & Legacy, an organization focused on preservation and upkeep in the wild spaces of the American Midwest. Responsible resource management is a key part of keeping habitats in good shape so we can enjoy hunting adventures for years to come.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM OUR LODGE FAMILY



Happy Thanksgiving! We hope that you all enjoyed a spectacular holiday full of food, family, friends, and laughter. We had a few of our guides and our friends here for the holiday, and we also got the chance to host some hunters for a memorable meal. After lots of pheasant, spiral ham, macaroni and cheese, and more, we enjoyed card games and a relaxing evening (and a few naps)!

We have so much to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. First, we are grateful for all of the amazing people that keep the Lodge going strong: our hunters and our incredible staff, too! We are also thankful for Mother Nature, who gave us excellent weather and helped us have a great pheasant season.

THE LATEST FROM THE LODGE: HUNTING SEASON

This year's hunting seasons have been remarkable. From doves to pheasants to ducks to prairie dogs, all of our native animals yielded strong populations and plentiful hunting opportunities. Many of our groups have gotten the chance

to enjoy mild weather that makes walking the fields all the more pleasant. Though our duck season is winding down, pheasant season will continue until January 31. In other words, it is not too late to make late season reservations with us and use up the entirety of your license.

Did You Know: A nonresident pheasant license in South Dakota allows you to hunt for two separate five-day periods. That means that even if you have already stayed with us this fall, you can still come back and hunt again! Get the most out of your license and book a second hunt in late December or January. We still have a few dates open, so reach out ASAP.



THE BEST HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE FOR YOUR FAVORITE HUNTERS

Are you stumped shopping for the hunter on your list this holiday season? Don't worry, we have got you covered. We have put together the definitive list of the best gifts for hunters in 2025... straight from our own Lodge gift shop!

FOR THE PHEASANT HUNTER: PRO SERIES UPLAND VEST

For safety, pheasant hunters must wear vibrant orange apparel while they are hunting with us. This helps ensure that everyone in the group can see other hunters and that no accidents occur. Any avid pheasant hunter can never have enough orange gear! Our hunters love this Pro Series Upland Vest with back and front mesh ventilation and convenient ammo pockets. Plus, it will evoke their favorite Lodge memories with a small embroidered patch on the upper right chest area. He will be delighted to open this gift! Shop Now

FOR THE LODGE ENTHUSIAST: BRANDED BALL CAP

Shopping for a hunter who eagerly awaits his trip to the Lodge each year? You are not the only one! Our branded baseball caps are the perfect gift for



Pro Series Upland Vest, Khaki and Orange

the one who is always looking forward to his next hunting adventure. He will love taking this little piece of the Lodge with him throughout his daily life. We have plenty of options to choose from, including orange, black, and khaki. Shop Now

FOR THE OUTDOORSMAN WITH LUXURIOUS LEANINGS: ANTLER WINE STOPPER

He loves the great outdoors, but he also appreciates the finer things in life. He would be thrilled to integrate his love for hunting into his collection of limited edition wine vintages. The perfect pairing? Our rugged yet elegant wine stopper, which is topped with a piece of genuine antler. It is functional and sophisticated, and he will use it all the time. Shop Now



FOR THE COZY WINTER DRESSER: LODGE SWEATSHIRT

Come the winter months, you are most likely to find him curled up on the couch under a blanket. He loves hot cocoa, fuzzy socks, and layering up for the holiday season. The perfect addition to his winter wardrobe? A high-quality Lodge sweatshirt, which shows off the logo of his home away from home. Available in grey, khaki, or camo. Shop Now

FOR THE ONE WHO NEEDS OFFICE DECOR: PHEASANT PELT

Whether he just moved or his space could simply use a little pick-me-up, a genuine pheasant pelt is always a great gift. Here at the Lodge, we sell a variety of pelts and mounts in partnership with Pete's Taxidermy, a local artisan whose works are some of the best around. A pelt is an affordable alternative to a larger mount. Shop Now

PRAIRIE PUZZLE

November Question: What is South Dakota's official state insect, which was chosen and designated in 1978?

a) Honeybee

- b) Antelope Beetle
- c) Monarch Butterfly
- d) Black Firefly



Submit your answer by December 10, 2025, 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 piece of Dakota Prairie Lodge & Resort merchandise.