

Virginia State Parks and Natural Areas Hunting Opportunities

State Park or Natural Area	Hunting Dates	Reservation Hunts	Lottery Hunts*	Lottery Deadline	Reservation Period Begins	Number of Hunters/Day	Weapons Allowed	Application Fee	Hunting Fee	Reservation Fee	Hunter Education Required
Belle Isle Lancaster County 804-462-5030	11/11-12	✓			9/25	12	M			\$15	✓
	12/16-17	✓			9/25	12	G			\$15	✓
Caledon Natural Area King George County 540-663-3861	11/4-5 11/11-12	✓			9/10	20	M			\$15	✓
Chippokes Plantation Surry County 757-294-3728	1/2	✓			10/1	30	S bs			\$15	✓
Claytor Lake Pulaski County 540-643-2500	1/8-9	✓			10/16	20	M, Ss			\$15	✓
Douthat Bath County 540-862-8100	11/10-12	✓			9/11	45	M			\$15	✓
	11/17-19	✓			9/11	45	G			\$15	✓
Grayson Highlands Grayson County 276-579-7092	11/14		✓	9/23		30	YG	\$5	\$10		✓
	11/16-17		✓	9/23		30	G	\$5	\$10		✓
James River Buckingham County 434-933-4355	11/9-12	✓			10/2	15	M			\$15	✓
	12/7-10	✓			10/2	15	S			\$15	✓
	12/14-17										
Kiptopeke Northampton County 757-331-2267	11/6-7		✓	9/25		4	A, M	\$5	\$10		✓
	12/11-12		✓	9/25		4	S	\$5	\$10		✓
Lake Anna Spotsylvania County 540-854-5503	11/17-18 12/1-2	✓			9/17	20	M, S			\$15	✓
Occoneechee Mecklenburg County 434-374-2210	11/9-11		✓	10/2		TBA	M	\$5	\$10		✓
	11/30-12/2		✓	10/2		TBA	S	\$5	\$10		✓
	12/14-16										

Key

- A - Archery
- M - Muzzleloading Firearms
- S - Shotgun
- bs - Buckshot only
- s - Slugs only
- G - General Firearms
- YG - Youth General Firearms

To apply for hunt lotteries, or to reserve a space in a reservation hunt, call the **State Parks Reservation Center at 1-800-933-PARK**. All hunts have special regulations. Contact the individual park or the reservation center to obtain the hunt specific rules.

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Pocahontas Chesterfield County 804-796-4255	12/7-8 12/17-19		✓	10/9		25	M, S	\$5	\$10		✓
Shenandoah River Warren County 540-622-6840	11/16	✓			9/18	7	YG			\$15	✓
	11/23-24	✓			9/18	14	G			\$15	✓
Smith Mountain Lake Bedford County 540-297-6066	11/2-3 11/9-10	✓			9/3	30	A, M			\$15	✓
Staunton River Halifax County 434-572-4623	11/11-12	✓			9/24	17	A, M			\$15	✓
York River James City County 757-566-3036	11/9-10	✓			9/4	40	A, M			\$15	✓
	12/7-8	✓			9/4	40	S			\$15	✓

Lottery Hunts

Hunting opportunities by lottery in 2009 are offered at Grayson Highlands State Park, Kiptopeke State Park, Occoneechee State Park (previously un hunted area of park) and Pocahontas State Park. A separate lottery application is required for each hunt. A \$5 non-refundable application fee is required with each completed application and a \$10 hunting fee will be collected at the site. Proof of hunter education certification and required licenses must be presented at check-in.

Reservation Hunts

Belle Isle State Park, Caledon Natural Area, Chippokes Plantation State Park, Claytor Lake State Park, Douthat State Park, James River State Park, Lake Anna State Park, Shenandoah River State Park, Smith Mountain Lake State Park, Staunton River State Park and York River State Park offer hunting opportunities by reservation. Hunters may reserve a preferred day and at some sites, a preferred stand or zone. There is a reservation fee of \$15 per day; there may be limits to the number of reservations allowed per call. The fee is non-refundable. Proof of hunter education certification and required licenses must be presented at check-in.

Special Youth Hunts

Two special Youth General Firearm hunts are planned: Monday, November 16 at Shenandoah River State Park, and Saturday, November 14 at Grayson Highlands State Park. To participate, youth ages 12-17 should follow the same process as for our other hunts. Note that youth ages 16-17 may hunt alone, youth ages 12-15 must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult (with valid hunter safety certification).

Southern Heritage Deer Hunt

Chippokes Plantation State Park hosts a traditional hunting experience on December 5 from 5 a.m. to 7 p.m. This is an old-fash-

ioned hunt featuring three traditional meals, a blessing of the hounds, rides to and from the hunt stands and a butchering service. Reservations may be made up to one year in advance. Fee: \$325/adult or youth 16 and older; \$200/child, ages 12-17, if stand is shared with a paying adult; \$50 per non-hunting companion.

Cooperative Hunts

Shenandoah River State Park Wheelin’ Sportsmen Hunt

A special muzzleloader deer hunt for people with disabilities will be held on Monday, Nov. 9. Contact Gene Hayden (540) 241-3502 or Mike Deane (434) 996-8508 or www.vanwtf.com for more information.

False Cape State Park Deer and Feral Hog Lottery Hunt

The False Cape State Parks Deer and Feral Hog hunt is run in conjunction with the Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge. Legal harvest is deer and feral hogs; using shotguns. Hunt dates are October 3, October 5-6, and October 29-31, with a lottery deadline of August 29. Application information is available online <http://www.vaquotahunts.com> or by phone at 1-877-VAHUNTS Monday-Friday 9:30-4:30 EST. Additional information is available at www.HuntFishVA.com. A separate lottery hunt for a Hogs only will be held on January 9, 23 and February 6 and 20, 2010. Applications are due by October 2, 2009. There is an application and hunt fee.

Mason Neck State Park

This hunt is run in conjunction with the Potomac River National Wildlife Refuge. Lottery applications are available by contacting the Refuge office at (703) 490-4979. Hunt dates are Nov. 19-20 and Dec. 11. Selected hunters must attend a hunt orientation and show proof of weapons qualification in order to participate. There is an application and hunt fee.