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AWGS would like to thank you for your decision to choose our operation for your Rifle Whitetail/Wolf hunting trip. You can rest assured that you have chosen an experienced Guiding Outfit that is dedicated and committed to ensuring that your hunt is enjoyable and productive, along with being a very memorable experience.

Rifle Whitetail / Wolf Equipment List

Mandatory items:

- Valid passport.

***Passports are now required for all persons travelling into Canada, and also to gain entry back into the US. Be sure that you have a valid passport well in advance, as it may take some time to process if you need to apply for one or have your current one renewed prior to your hunt.**

- 1 or 2 high powered rifles, **.270 calibre or larger (no handguns)** complete with **gun slings** and **flip up style scope covers** for those snowy/blowing days that happen often in November.
- A high quality **hardshell** travel case for your rifles. Your gun will be transported daily in this case for the duration of your hunt.
- Ammunition for your respective rifles. It is a good idea to bring a **minimum of 20 rounds**, just in case you need to spend extra time and rounds sighting your rifle in when you test it shortly after arriving at camp.
- Quality underwear (eg. Polypropylene, Under Armor, Capilene, Thermax, etc.) preferably in Expedition weight or Polar weight, along with a wicking layer against your skin (eg. Silk weight polypropylene). We live by a simple rule when it gets cold come November...**if you can stay DRY, you can stay WARM!!**
- Quality cold weather hunting boots for sitting all day (eg. Cabelas Saskatchewan pack boot). We highly recommend boots that are 2-3 sizes larger than your foot, as the extra space will help keep your feet warmer. It is a good idea to also have an "extra" set of liners for these boots, to ensure your feet stay dry each day.
- Lighter boots for walking/tracking. We recommend a boot that is light and at least 8" high, as these will be used for walking to/from your location each day or tracking a wounded deer.
- Ample supply of heavy wool socks, along with light "wicking" socks for layering under the wool socks.
- Quiet outerwear (preferably wool or fleece).
- Lighter colored (grey/light brown) style camo **AND** some type of snow camo as an **outer layer**. If your outerwear is not this type of camo, you can use a light pullover over top of your outerwear to help stay concealed.
- Fleece face mask or balaclava for those blowing/cold days.
- **Hand "muff"** and disposable chemical **heat packs (please do not leave on the ground at your stand....leave your location the way you found it)**.
- Lightweight "rubber gripped" gloves to be used in conjunction with your hand "muff". There is no real need for bulky, heavy mitts or gloves. They can greatly reduce the time you have to get a shot at your trophy buck...
- Small wool or fleece backpack for daily trips to/from stand (**NO Cordura, Nylon, or Saddlecloth materials = NOISY!!**) A backpack with a gun sleeve or gun attachment straps/pockets is recommended, as it makes for easier walking.
- **Headlamp** (best option) and/or **flashlight**. Best practice is to have a minimum of 2 of these, in case 1 fails...
- Grunt tubes/calls, doe in estrus calls/cans
- Personal vacuum bottle (Thermos) for hot and cold liquids. Will help keep hot liquids hot and cold liquids from freezing...

Recommended items:

- We **HIGHLY** recommend that you **check with your cell phone service provider to ensure you can send/receive text messages and phone calls**, as this is quickly becoming the preferred method of communication between guides and hunters.
- If your feet tend to get cold fast, we highly recommend using a pair of boot blankets with hot packs. You simply put your socked feet into the boot blankets and they act as a "sleeping bag" for your feet!
- Orange or red stocking cap (helps with safety when in a visible location or when tracking a deer with your guide).
- Camera / Video device, memory cards, & power sources. While we don't recommend the use of such devices while on stand, capturing memories of your hunt is always a great idea.



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Optional items:

- Rangefinder. Your location will have yardage markers for distance reference.
- Slippers for in the lodge (ceramic tiles or hardwood floors)
- Compass, knife, rangefinder, GPS, scents
- Personal rattling antlers (**only bring if they are from a 140"+ deer, otherwise we will supply**)
- Personal soda & other beverages can be purchased locally before heading to camp (nothing in excess of moderate drinking in the evenings, after your hunt day, is encouraged in camp).