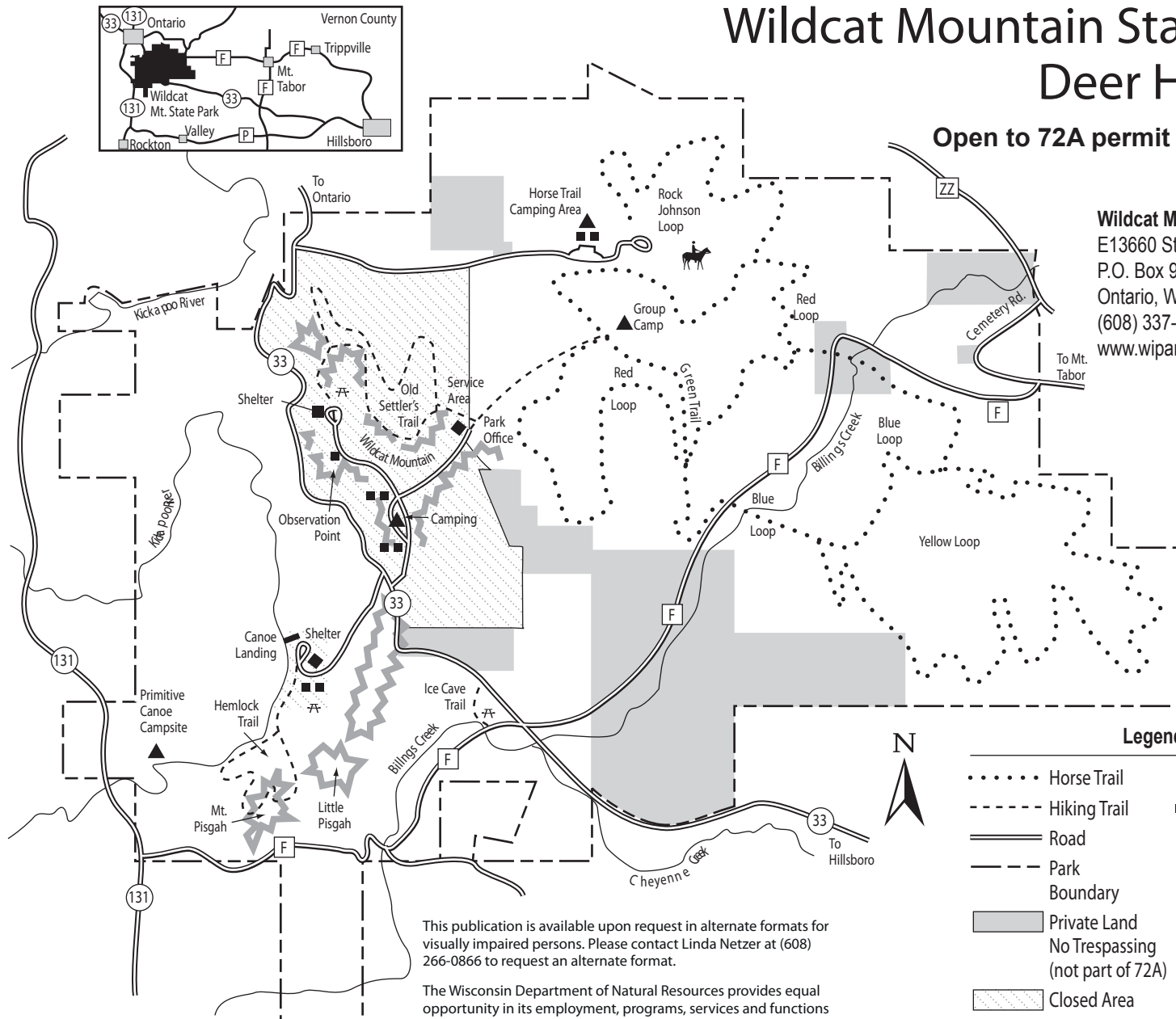


Wildcat Mountain State Park Deer Hunting

Open to 72A permit holders only

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Legend

- Horse Trail
- Hiking Trail
- Road
- Park Boundary
- Private Land No Trespassing (not part of 72A)
- Closed Area
- Picnic Area
- Toilets
- Camping Area
- Shelter

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WILDCAT MOUNTAIN STATE PARK 2009 DEER SEASON SPECIAL REGULATIONS – DMU 72A

Only holders of a 2009 Park Access Permit for deer hunting in Wildcat Mountain State Park (Deer Management Unit 72A) may deer hunt in the park. On all vehicles that enter the park, Park admission stickers are required (\$7.00 per day or \$25.00 annually for residents; \$10.00 per day or \$35.00 annually for non-residents). Hunters are encouraged to purchase stickers prior to opening morning to avoid delays at the office.

Season Dates:

- Wildcat Mountain State Park will be open to deer gun hunting (muzzleloaders only) from November 21 – December 9, 2009. **NOTE: The park will not be open to muzzleloader hunting during the statewide Oct. 15 – 18 or Dec. 10 - 13, 2009 antlerless gun hunts.**
- Archery deer hunting will be open in the park from November 30 – January 3, 2010. Archers must meet blaze orange requirements from November 30 – December 9, 2009 when the muzzleloader season is open.

Weapon Restrictions:

- **Only Muzzleloaders** may be used to hunt deer in the park during the November 21 – December 9, 2009 firearm season. Please see the *2009 Wisconsin Deer Hunting Regulations* for muzzleloader restrictions. All firearms must be unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case when in or on a motor vehicle or within a closed area of the park. Note: Muzzleloaders are considered unloaded if the cap is removed from a cap lock muzzleloader, or the flash pan is cleaned on a flint-lock muzzleloader; the ball and powder may remain in the barrel, except that the powder and projectile must be removed from the barrel of electronic ignition muzzleloaders.
- Scope restrictions do not apply during the 19-day muzzleloader season at Wildcat Mountain State Park.

Tagging Options:

- **Herd Control regulations apply in Wildcat Mountain State Park for the 2009 park deer hunting season** (see the *2009 Wisconsin Deer Hunting Regulations* booklet for Herd Control tagging requirements).
- Muzzleloader and Archery hunters that receive a 2009 Park Access Permit for unit 72A may use their Gun or Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag to tag one buck during the respective open season listed above.
- Antlerless deer may be harvested in the park per Antlerless Carcass Tag valid in Herd Control and EAB units. One tag comes free with a gun license and two tags come free with an archery deer hunting license.
- Additional Antlerless Herd Control Carcass Tags valid in Herd Control and Earn-a-Buck units are \$2 each (for residents and non-residents) and may be purchased online or at any DNR license sales location.

Hunting Hours:

- Hunting hours are found in the *2009 Wisconsin Deer Hunting Regulations* (pages 52 – 53). Hunters may enter the park up to one hour before the legal hunting hours begin for that day.

Deer Registration:

- Deer may be registered at Wildcat Mountain State Park. If registration services are not available within the park at the time of kill, deer must be registered in the adjacent unit of kill (DMU 72). A list of registration stations is available on the DNR website (dnr.wi.gov) or at DNR Service Centers.
- When registering a deer harvested from Wildcat Mountain State Park, indicate “72A” as the DMU of Kill.

Additional Park Regulations:

- Closed areas within the park are not open to hunting or any activity which would cause deer to be driven into legally open hunting areas (see map on back). The hunter may not pursue a wounded deer moving into a closed area. Park employees must be informed by the hunter of the locality of any wounded deer within the closed area and may accompany the hunter to retrieve the deer.
- Group Hunting is restricted to persons in possession of a 2009 Park Access Permit for unit 72A and a gun deer license. Persons who have filled their carcass tags may continue to engage in group hunting, providing they have their unit 72A Park Access Permit in their possession.
- Tree stands or elevated devices must be completely removed each day at the close of hunting hours. It is illegal to construct or use tree stands or elevated devices on state property that causes damage to trees.
- All tree stands that are not occupied during legal hunting hours shall have the owner’s customer ID number or name and address attached to the tree stand in a manner that is visible to a person on the ground.
- Ground blinds used on DNR lands must have a minimum of 144 square inches of blaze orange material that is highly visible 360 degrees around the blind, any time a gun deer season is in effect.
- It is illegal to hunt within 50 feet of the roadway’s center or discharge a firearm or shoot an arrow from a bow across a roadway. It is illegal to shoot within 100 yards of a building devoted to human occupancy, without the permission of the owner or occupant.
- Private lands within the park are NOT part of Unit 72A. These lands are part of Unit 72. It is illegal to trespass on these private lands without permission of the owner or occupant of those lands.
- All hunters should be aware of other recreational users within the park. Not all people will be wearing blaze orange, so be sure of your target and beyond!

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