



# HUNT PLANNER 2024-25

Please refer to the Tennessee Fishing, Hunting and Trapping Guide or [tnwildlife.org](http://tnwildlife.org) for detailed hunting dates, bag limits, zones, units, WMA regulations and required licenses and/or permits.

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**S=Shotgun**

## DEER - 2024-25

Units 1-6 antlered bag limits: 2 deer (No more than 1 per day). See the Tennessee Fishing, Hunting and Trapping Guide for deer units and county listings.

### **A - Aug. 23-25 - Units 1-6**

Private Lands and Select WMAs, Antlered deer only. (See guide for details)

### **A - Sept. 28-Nov 8 - Units 1-6**

Antlerless bag: Units 1, 2, 3 = 3/day; Units 4, 5, 6 = 4, Closed during October Youth Hunt Oct. 26-27.

### **G/M/A Young Sportsman (ages 6-16)**

**Oct. 26-27; Jan. 11-12 - Statewide**  
Antlerless bag: Units 1, 2, 3 = 3/day; Units 4, 5, 6 = 2

### **M/A - Nov. 9-22 - Units 1-6**

Antlerless bag: Units 1, 2, 3 = 3/day; Units 4, 5, 6 = 2

### **G/M/A - Nov. 23 - Jan. 5, Units 1-6**

Antlerless bag: Units 1, 2, 3 = 3/day; Units 4, 5, 6 = 2

## FALL TURKEY - 2024

Bag Limit: 1 male turkey statewide, Fall season is closed in the following counties: Crockett, Dyer, Giles, Haywood, Lake, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lincoln, Shelby, Tipton, and Wayne.

### **A - Sept. 28 - Oct. 25, Oct. 28 - Nov. 8**

### **S/A - Oct. 12-25**

## BEAR - 2024

Bag limit: 1 per season. Cubs under 75 lbs. are prohibited.

### **Dogs Allowed - G/M/A**

**BHZ 1 - Oct. 5-7, 12-13; Nov. 11-18; Dec. 2-18**

**BHZ 2 - Oct. 12-15, 18-20; Oct. 28-Nov. 1; Dec. 2-26**

**BHZ 3 - Oct. 5-6, 12-18; Oct. 28-Nov. 1; Dec. 2-15, 26-29**

**BHZ 4 - Dec. 14-15 (private land only)**

### **No dogs**

**All BHZs - A - Sept. 28 - Oct. 25**

**BHZ 1-5 - Young Sportsman G/M/A: Oct. 26-27**

**BHZ 1,2 & 3 - G/M/A - Nov. 23-26**

**BHZ 5 - G/M/A - Dec. 14-15**

### **Restricted Bear Reserve Hunt: Sept. 21-27**

(Private lands within Kettlefoot/Laurel Fork Reserves)

## SPRING TURKEY - 2025\*

**S/A - Young Sportsman (ages 6-16) April 5-6**  
Daily bag: 1 male turkey per day. Counts toward spring season bag of two (2), only one can be a jake.

### **S/A - General Season April 12 - May 25**

Bag limit: 2 male turkeys, only one can be a jake; no more than 1 per day.

**\*All hens (including bearded hen) are illegal to harvest.**

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## MIGRATORY BIRDS - 2024-25

**Mourning Dove** (opens at noon on Sept.1) - **Sept. 1-28, Oct. 12-Nov. 3, Dec. 8-Jan. 15:**

Daily bag 15

**Woodcock - Nov. 9-Dec. 1, Jan. 10-Jan. 31:** Daily bag 3

**Snipe - Nov. 14-Feb. 28:** Daily bag 8

**Crow** - See Hunting Guide

**Gallinule and Moorhen - Sept.1-Nov. 9:** Daily bag 15

**Canada Goose - Sept. 1-22:** Daily bag 5, **Oct. 12-22, Nov. 30-Dec. 1, Dec. 5-Feb. 9:** Daily bag 3

**White-Fronted Goose - Nov. 30-Dec. 1, Dec. 5-Feb. 9:** Daily bag 3

**Brant - Sept. 1-22, Oct. 12-22, Nov. 30-Dec. 1, Dec. 5-Feb. 9:** Daily bag 1

**Blue, Snow & Ross's Geese (Light Geese) - Sept. 1-22, Oct. 12-22, Nov. 30-Dec. 1, Dec. 5-Feb. 9:** Daily bag 20

**Light Goose Conservation Season - Feb. 10-Mar. 31:** No limit

**Wood Duck/Teal - Sep. 14-18:** Daily bag 6, not to exceed 2 wood ducks/day

**Teal-only - Sept. 19-22:** Daily bag 6

**Ducks, Coots, and Mergansers - Nov. 30-Dec. 1, Dec. 5-Jan. 31:**

Bag limit is 6 ducks per day with restrictions.

**Statewide Young Sportsman Waterfowl- Feb. 1 and Feb. 8:** ages 16 and under

**Veteran, Active Military Waterfowl - Feb. 2 and Feb. 9**

**Sandhill Crane** (Permit Required)

- **Statewide Zone - Dec. 3 - Jan. 31**

- **Southeast Zone - Dec. 3 - Jan. 16, Jan. 20 - 31**

See the Tennessee Fishing, Hunting and Trapping Guide for more information on these seasons.

## FURBEARERS - 2024-25 - Hunting\*

**Fox, Mink, Muskrat, Otter, Least Weasel - Nov. 22 - Feb. 28** - No limit

**Rabbit - Nov. 2 - Feb. 28** - Daily bag 5

**Bobcat - Nov. 22 - Feb. 28** - Daily bag 1

**Bobcat Private Land - Sept. 28 - Nov. 21** - Daily bag 1

**Armadillo, Beaver, Coyote, Groundhog, Striped Skunk allowed year-round** - No limit

**NEW! Coyote and Bobcat Night Season - 2024 Season Dates: Aug. 1-Aug. 11, 2025 Season Dates: Jan. 18-Mar. 9, June 7-Aug. 10** - Coyote: No Limit, Bobcat: Nightly bag 1

**Private Land Raccoon Season - Sunset July 1 - Sunrise Sep. 20:** Nightly bag 2.

Closed in Scott, Morgan, Roane, Rhea, Hamilton, and all other counties east of those counties.

**Statewide Raccoon Season - Sunset Sept. 20 - Sunrise Mar. 15:** Nightly bag: 4

**Training Season** - Year-round, except where prohibited by local ordinances. No take permitted.

**Opossum** can be taken during the raccoon hunting seasons.

\*See the Tennessee Fishing, Hunting and Trapping Guide for trapping regulations.

## Game Birds - 2024-25

**Grouse - Oct. 12 - Feb. 28:** Daily bag 3

**Quail - Nov. 2 - Feb. 28:** Daily bag 6

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