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# Raising the Next Generation Why Youth Hunting Matters

October 18, 2024 started long before daylight. My oldest son, Christian, was ten years old, and that season had meant something different to him. All summer, he had worked toward one goal, to harvest a whitetail with his compound bow. His Mission Radik was set at 35 pounds, and he shot it with intention. Nearly every day, he made time. Some mornings, that meant getting up early before school just to send a few arrows downrange. In the afternoons, he went right back to it.

We made the 35-minute drive to a piece of local public land where a double lock-on stand had been waiting since before the season opened. We slipped in quietly under the cover of darkness. At the base of the tree, I climbed first to get settled. Christian waited below for my signal. What I did not realize until later was that, in that moment alone at the base of the tree, he had done something we always try to do before every hunt. About 45 minutes after first light, he spotted a deer working its way toward us. The buck moved slowly, closing the distance step by step. It took eight and a half minutes for him to offer a clear shot inside of 20 yards. Those minutes stretched. Every small movement felt amplified. It was a spike buck, but that did not matter to a ten-year-old who had invested countless hours preparing for this exact opportunity. It certainly didn't matter to me either.

Up to that point, Christian had already taken three does with a crossbow and two bucks with a rifle over the previous three seasons. This was different. This was his first real chance at a buck during archery season with a bow he had committed himself to learning. When the buck finally stepped into range, Christian drew. The deer never stopped. It slipped behind some brush, forcing him

*“ When you step back, the harvest becomes just one part of the story. What stays with kids is the process.”*

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to let down. As the buck continued up the hill, I assumed the moment had passed.

As faith would have it (some may call it luck), the deer turned. He worked his way back into range, but the situation tightened. At 15 yards, Christian drew again. The buck kept moving, offering no clear shot. For one minute and five seconds, he held at full draw, waiting. The deer turned once more, stepped back into the same lane, and stopped perfectly broadside. "Good?" he whispered, asking if I was ready behind the camera. "Yup" I answered.

Everything we had talked about came down to that moment. I remember thinking about and praying for this moment and what it would mean to him years from now. He settled his pin and released. The arrow struck exactly where it needed to. The buck ran, crashing through the woods for the last time. Then came the wait. The hit looked good, but the footage made us question penetration. We backed out and gave it time. Sitting there, the woods quiet again, the question settled in. What are we really passing on when we bring kids into the woods?

### **Why Youth Hunting Matters, Especially in Pennsylvania**

Pennsylvania has long been a cornerstone of hunting culture in America. Generations have learned to hunt in these woods, on these ridges, and across these fields. But participation has not remained steady, and the numbers tell a clear story. According to the Pennsylvania Game Commission, overall hunting license sales have declined significantly over the past several decades, dropping from well over 1.5 million hunters in the early 1980s to roughly 850,000 to 900,000 in recent years. That is not just a fluctuation. It reflects a long-term shift in participation. Youth involvement shows both promise and concern.

In recent years, Pennsylvania has issued roughly 200,000 to 250,000 junior hunting licenses annually. That number has remained relatively stable, but it has not grown enough to offset the aging hunting population. Many states, including Pennsylvania, are seeing the average hunter age continue to rise into the mid-40s and beyond. Programs like the Mentored Youth Hunting Program have helped introduce new hunters, with more than 25,000 mentored youth participants in some recent seasons. That is a strong starting point. The challenge is retention. Without continued opportunities and consistent mentorship, many kids do not stay engaged long term.

Hunting also plays a direct role in conservation funding. Through license sales and excise taxes, hunters contribute millions of dollars each year to wildlife management and habitat conservation in Pennsylvania alone. As participation declines, so does that funding base. Beyond the numbers, something less measurable is at risk. Hunting teaches patience, attention, and awareness in a way few other activities can. It creates space for mentorship that is difficult to replicate elsewhere. In a state like Pennsylvania, where public land is still widely accessible, it also builds a lasting connection to the land itself.

Across the country, the trend is similar. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has documented a long-term decline in total hunters nationwide, even as the population has grown. When kids are not introduced to hunting, the tradition does not disappear all at once. It fades gradually. Fewer mentors. Fewer shared experiences. Less connection to conservation.

### **The Benefits of Altre In Youth Hunting Situations**

Camouflage is often discussed in terms of patterns, but its value is measured in how it performs under real conditions. Over the past few seasons, I have paid close attention to how deer respond, especially when kids are involved. Movement is the biggest challenge

for young hunters. Even with discipline, small adjustments happen. That is where concealment matters. What I have noticed with Altre is how effectively it breaks up the human outline across varying terrain and lighting conditions. There have been moments wearing Altre where a deer's attention lingered without escalating. That hesitation creates opportunity. For a young hunter, those extra seconds can make a meaningful difference. It does not replace fundamentals. Wind direction, setup, and patience still come first. But when those factors are aligned, having gear that works with you instead of against you matters.

### More Than a Moment

When you step back, the harvest becomes just one part of the story. What stays with kids is the process. The preparation, the time invested and the shared experience. In Pennsylvania and across the country, the future of hunting depends on whether those experiences continue to be passed down. Not forced, but offered in a way that is meaningful.

And in that moment before daylight at the base of the tree, Christian did what I try to do before every hunt. Alone and unprovoked, he bowed his head and prayed. That is what we are passing on.

- Andrew Black  
PA ALTRE Camo Pro Staffer



## My ALTRE Camo Six



It was the morning of October 26, 2025. It was a cool crisp morning. I settled into the blind around 5 am and watched deer come and go as they transitioned and grazed upon the food plot. The dark woods around us soon turned into a light grey tone and the woods began to come alive. I said my morning prayer of thanks as I waited for the sun to rise. I watched a doe and button buck graze for about half an hour and the sun soon began to rise to the tree tops. The cool morning dew began to lift into a fog as the rays of sunshine started to shine through the trees. Soon after he stepped out of the North East corner of the food plot with the sun shining on his back and glistening off of his antlers. We made eye contact for a short time and he just stood there in his tracks as if he were looking right through me. In my thoughts as I took aim I thanked God for this moment in time and blessing. I took the shot. It was a twenty yard double lung. Excited I waited a few minutes before I went down to retrieve him. I looked my arrow over followed the blood trail to find him only thirty yards from where I shot him. I called my dad and started the cleaning process. When he got there we drug him out to my truck and drove him to his place where we finished the processing. These memories made will last me a lifetime.

- Matthew Newsome, Michigan ALTRE Camo Pro Staffer

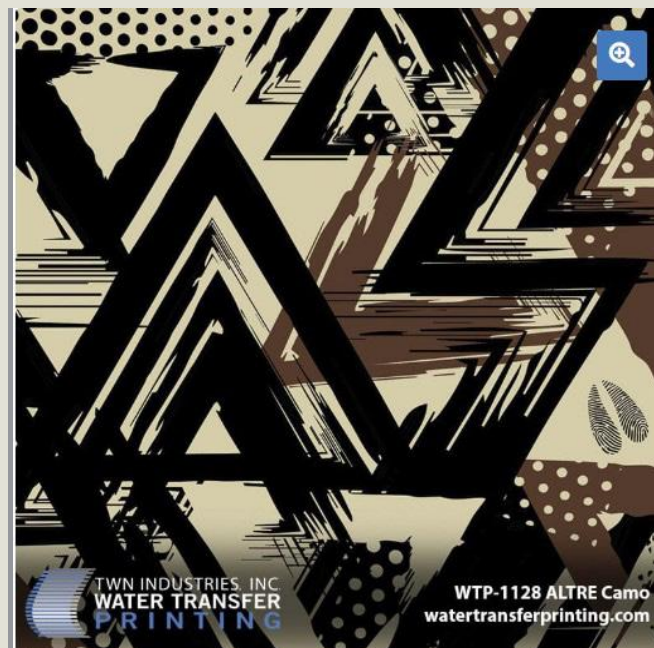
# Hydrographic Processing Now Available

ALTRE Camo hydro dip film by WhiteTail Forensics, LLC is a science-driven camouflage pattern engineered around how deer actually see. Designed using research on deer vision, including red-green color blindness and limited 20/100 acuity, it breaks up your silhouette and creates visual confusion in any terrain.

I spent five years modeling the pattern in various terrains until I finally created the geometric ALTRE pattern. That was a long five years. ALTRE's silhouette disruption pattern adapts to any environment, giving hunters a true stealth advantage whether on the ground, in a tree stand, or in a saddle.

The film is available from TWN Industries. Click on the pattern in the upper right for more information and to find certified processors in your area.

- Brendon Minnich  
Designer of ALTRE Camo Pattern



# that Little blue heart



That little blue heart is a symbol of The Julia Grace Foundation. The **ALTRE Camo Julia Grace Women's Collection** was created to meet a long-overlooked need in the outdoor industry: camouflage designed specifically for women, not as an afterthought or downsized version of men's gear.

This collection reflects a deeper commitment to empowerment that extends beyond the field. Five percent of all sales from the ALTRE Camo Women's Collection directly benefit **The Julia Grace Foundation**. Every piece purchased not only equips women with gear that truly works for them—it also contributes to meaningful impact off the trail in the lives of children.



On the inside of every jacket is a black tag with that little blue heart. When worn, that heart rests over your heart in honor and remembrance of Julia Grace Ashworth.



## Deer Vision Explained

**Color Perception:** Deer perceive colors differently from humans. For deer species, those intricate shades of green in traditional camo appear as a shade of yellow. Reds also look grey/yellow, and blaze orange appears gray. Browns, despite their variety, are less distinct to deer.

**Vision Acuity:** Scientists estimate that deer have vision ranging from 20/60 to 20/100. They can't discern fine details. Instead, their eyes provide nearly a 310-degree field of vision, crucial for spotting predator movement. Night vision and overall field of view trump fine detail perception.

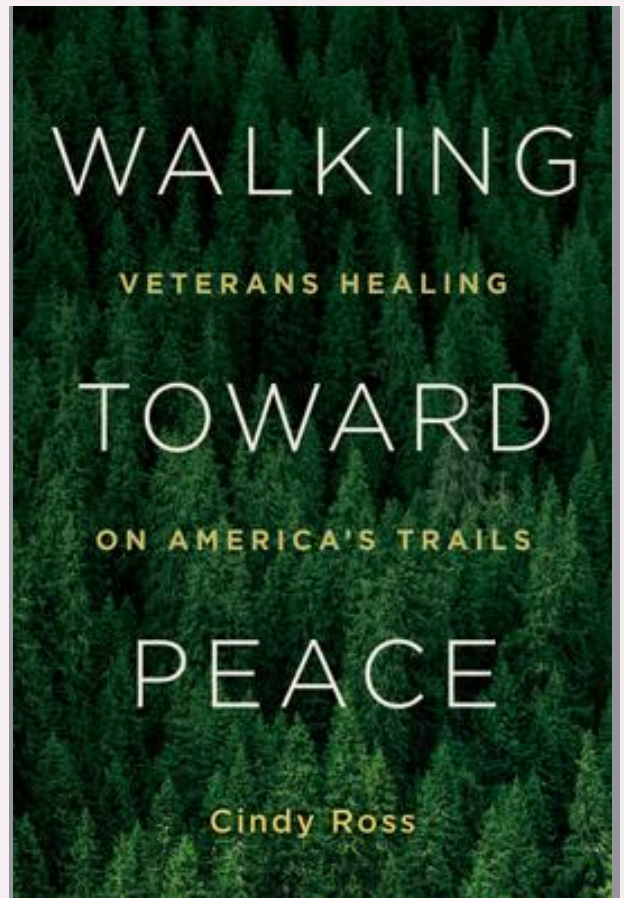
**Blending Effect:** All those leaf and branch details in regular camo? They just merge into a blur for deer, making your silhouette more visible. Camouflage clothing with similar colors—browns, greens, blacks, and greys—creates a deer-sized blob.

**Distance Matters:** The farther a deer is from you, the more your nature-inspired camo blends together. Unfortunately, this often means you're more visible.

ALTRE Camo was designed to address all four of these aspects of deer vision!

# Veterans *Healing* in Nature

For the past 11 years, I've had the honor of serving as a board member and volunteer with River House, PA, a non-profit dedicated to helping veterans who struggle with PTSD. From the beginning, River House has focused on a simple but powerful idea: healing through nature. Over the years, I've seen first-hand how time outdoors can change lives. Veterans who once felt disconnected or overwhelmed have found peace, purpose, and progress by spending time in wild places. Through fishing, hiking, paddling, foraging, and quiet reflection, many have rediscovered confidence and calm. Some have even turned that connection into meaningful careers. Nature has a way of meeting people where they are—without judgment, pressure, or expectations. If there's one thing I've learned through River House, it's this: getting outside matters. Hunt if you can. Fish a familiar stream. Take a long walk, paddle a river, or simply sit and listen. Connection doesn't have to be complicated—it just has to be real. For veterans struggling with PTSD, I strongly recommend ***Walking Toward Peace*** by River House founder Cindy Ross. The book shares the stories of 25 veterans and their journeys toward healing through nature, along with a valuable list of resources for support. And always remember, help is available. Veterans in crisis can call the Veterans Suicide Hotline at 988, then press 1. Our veterans are valued, respected, and never alone.



– Tim Minnich



River House PA



Always the cook, covered in white flour and whiter hair these days

# It felt like any other day

It felt like any other day here lately trying to slip out and hunt in the middle of a family event or son's sporting event, constantly checking my watch and wondering how much daylight I'd have left if I left now or maybe in another 15 to 30 minutes. Eventually, I gave up on the idea, thinking there was no way I'd make it to my stand quietly enough for anything to work out. But God had other plans.



As we got in the car for the long drive home, my wife got a text from her friend asking her to stop by. That opened the door for me to head over as her husband's property is a few short minutes away and he had already asked me to just go hunt there since it was closer to where I was than the property I hunt. He stated "just sit along the fire road while the ladies catch up. So I dropped her off and took off, feeling like maybe I was being given a small window for a reason. I eased my way down an old logging trail on a part of the property no one was hunting to not disturb anyone else's hunt and came across a fresh scrape. I set up about 80 yards away on the ground, trusting both the setup and the moment, knowing my White Tail Forensics ALTRE camo gave me an advantage even at ground level.

After what felt like 15 minutes, a small six-pointer stepped out to check the scrape. I watched him for a minute or two before he suddenly spooked and ran off. For a second, I thought that was it "they made me" but there is no way after all I was wearing ALTRE camo! But God wasn't finished that afternoon. The young six pointer spooked because out stepped a beautiful buck, one of those moments that stops you in your tracks and reminds you how quickly everything can change. In that instant, all I could think was how grateful I was for the opportunity and how everything lined up exactly the way it was supposed to. To be able to harvest a deer like that, after almost not going at all, is something I won't forget. And to do it in ALTRE camo made it even more meaningful.

Honestly, a big part of this moment for me goes back to being the very first customer (which Principal and Founder of ALTRE Camo Tim will never let me forget) believing in something from the beginning before it had a track record, and trusting in what Tim and his son Brendon set out to create. To finally have a successful harvest, a true trophy, in their camo, it means more than just filling a tag. It feels like sharing in the result of their hard work, vision, and faith in their idea. I'm truly grateful not just for the opportunity God gave me in that moment, but for the chance to support something from the ground up and now be able to say it has proved itself over and over but when it mattered most it made the difference. I couldn't wait to let Tim and Brendon know and share that this wasn't just another hunt, this was a blessing and a full-circle moment. Sometimes when it feels like it's not going to happen, you just have to trust His plan. Everything can come together in an instant and when it does, it means that much more.

- Pedro Damil, Maryland ALTRE Camo Pro Staffer

# ALTRE Camo Ladies Outdoors



ALTRE Pro Staffer Sheryl Magdycz and outdoorswoman Sara Bardwell have launched a Podcast. Click on the image above to link to their Spotify and save it to follow these ladies as they discuss anything and everything outdoors for women, all unfiltered, and at times Wild.

## ALTRE Camo – A (Wild) Woman’s Perspective

First and foremost, what I love about ALTRE Camo is the quality. You can tell that there was definite time put into it, where quality is concerned, when designing this product. There were no threads or mis-stitching pulling out of any of the suit or accessories. Sometimes I run into gear having threads tripping up the zippers or getting caught in my sleeves.

Quiet – ALTRE is QUIET in the woods. I walked through the woods, crawled through thickets, belly crawled after turkeys, and the set is quiet as you want to stalk through the woods.

Tactical – There is nothing I hate more than Velcro on my hunting gear. ALTRE has ALL zippers. Your pockets can be closed to carry what you want, easily accessible, and you don't have to worry about any extra noise when reaching for your call or your lure. There's also a face mask built into the jacket hood, and it was SO much easier to use this than try to fumble around for my mask in my pack or pocket when I got to where I was ready to set up on a turkey. The extra length to the sleeves, where there is a liner past the end of the sleeve, is also a great touch and keeps my gloves in my sleeves and the water out. Although not waterproof, it rained really hard during my first outing in it, and the gear kept me relatively dry despite having been in a downpour all morning.

Comfortable – I am a fidgeter, and I CANNOT sit still if I am not comfortable. ALTRE gear is so comfortable; it's soft on the inside and the outside. It's easy to move around in, too, and offers give if you want to layer underneath your shell. I could easily wear this over my heavy suit.

Most of all the biggest flex about this camo is that it's based on science and it's proven to work. If you visit the [WTFCAMO.COM](http://WTFCAMO.COM) site, you can see more of an explanation, but the gist of it is that ALTRE is designed to disrupt the blending effect that a lot of traditional camo gear has for deer, which actually makes you more noticeable in the field.

Sheryl Magdycz, MA ALTRE Camo Pro Staffer

# Moose!!!!

## My first ALTRE encounter

The first time I saw ALTRE Camo was at the Hampshire Dome Sportsman show in Milford NewHampshire a month ago. I just so happened to be next to the American Daughters of Conservation booth for the weekend, where I met Sheryl Magdycz from Massachusetts AKA Northeast Wild Woman. I commented on the shirt she was wearing, it had a cool pattern. What floored me was when she said "it's camo for hunting", I just sort of giggled and said "that's camo for hunting? WTF?"



She got out her phone and pulled up the website for ironically, [WTFCAMO.com](http://WTFCAMO.com), and I couldn't believe my eyes! The pictures show what a deer sees, not what we see, and I immediately knew I needed to get this camo!

You see, I am an avid bow huntress, and in Maine that is a challenge. We cannot bait deer here, so sitting over a corn pile waiting for my choice of deer to come within 40 yards to eat, isn't an option. Lots of work goes into me having a successful bow hunt in Maine in this terrain. Wearing a camouflage that will conceal me the way Altre does will increase my chances of getting close enough with my bow and having a successful harvest!

I recently went out moose shed hunting up in Lagrange, Maine and I was wearing my Altre Camo. It was my first trip into the woods after a long cold Maine winter, and I had my nose to the ground, looking at all of the signs of a big moose in the area. Took a few pics with my phone, walking over blow downs and not watching where I was going, which was totally out of the norm for me, I was raised in these woods and I know better! Always be aware of your surroundings! Especially spring time in Maine! Bears are coming out of their dens, and mommas of all kinds are having their babies and are protective of them.

I happened to look up, and about 10 yards from me was a big bull moose! He was totally confused as to what I was, and if had I not screamed like a little school girl, he would have let me walk right up to him. I knew in that moment that this camouflage is a total game changer for me. I have several hunts in other states coming up over the next year and I am super excited to see this work in all of them! I am also honored to bring Julia Grace with me on every one of those hunts, it is my honor to hunt heart to heart, you're always with me.



Judi Eugley     Old Doe Outdoor Adventures  
Alton, Maine

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*When I'm in a tree stand, some of the most peaceful moments of my life unfold. Sitting still allows every sound to take shape in ways I'd never notice otherwise. My senses become sharper, yet my mind is calm and focused without feeling rushed. Time in the field takes on even greater meaning when those moments are shared with family.. - Tim Minnich*

# the mental *Health* benefits of hunting

When I explain to non-hunters why I hunt, they are often shocked that killing an animal is never on the list of an explanation of why I hunt. Certainly it's a great outcome, however, considering how many days afield we hunt without a harvest, there must be other reasons.

Most people think of hunting as a way to put meat in the freezer or spend time outdoors. But for many hunters like me, there's something deeper going on. Time in the woods has a quiet way of helping the mind reset. In a world that's loud, busy, and always connected, hunting offers something rare: space to breathe.

One of the biggest mental health benefits of hunting is getting outside and slowing down. The woods and animals don't care about your emails, text messages, or what someone is saying on social media. When you're sitting against a tree at first light or walking a ridge line, your focus narrows to what's right in front of you. The wind. The sounds. The sign on the ground. That kind of focus helps clear your head and gives your brain a break from constant noise.



Hunting also brings a strong sense of purpose. You're not just wandering around outside, ok, we've all seen hunters doing just that. You on the other hand are reading the land, making decisions, and working toward a goal. That feeling of purpose can be powerful, especially

for people who struggle with stress or anxiety. Even when the hunt doesn't end with a filled tag, the process itself feels meaningful.

Another big piece is connection, both to nature and to people. Being in nature has a calming effect that's hard to explain unless you've felt it. Long sits or quiet hikes can lower stress and help you feel more grounded. At the same time, hunting often brings people together. Time spent with a parent, child, or hunting buddy builds bonds that last far beyond the season. Shared experiences create memories that mean a lot when life gets hard.

Hunting can also help build confidence and resilience. Not every hunt goes as planned. Weather changes. Animals don't cooperate. Mistakes happen, and I have my share of those on an annual basis. Learning to accept those moments, adjust, and keep going builds patience and mental toughness. Success, when

it comes, feels earned. That sense of accomplishment carries over into everyday life.

For many people, hunting also provides quiet time for reflection. Long hours alone give space to think without pressure. Some folks pray. Others just listen. That time helps sort through thoughts that get buried during busy weeks. It's not about fixing everything, it's about letting your mind settle.

Finally, there's something deeply satisfying about providing your own food. Knowing where your meat comes from and being part of the process creates a strong sense of fulfillment. It reminds us that we're capable, responsible, and connected to something older than modern life. Hunting isn't a cure all, and it's different for everyone. But for many outdoors people, it's more than a hobby. It's a way to clear the mind, find balance, and reconnect with what really matters. Sometimes, the best therapy doesn't happen in an office it happens in the woods.

If you don't hunt, participate in the outdoors in whatever way best suits your interests and schedule. One thing is for sure, a deer, bear, elk, goose, or squirrel will never taunt or shame you or make you feel bad about yourself. Ok, I lied about the squirrel. Those little a\*\*holes can make you miserable, but it's just a squirrel doing things that squirrels do. They have a hunting season too, don't forget, and it will be time to be at peace again with the gratification of squirrel pot pie.

– Tim Minnich, Principal & Founder, WhiteTail Forensics, LLC

## disconnect — reconnect and recharge.

If social media is wearing you down—whether it's hunters tearing each other apart, second-guessing harvest decisions, or turning every post into a competition—it might be time to step back. Take a day off. Take a week or longer if you need it. The outdoors means too much to let a comment section steal the joy from it.

If you're part of an online group that allows hunters to talk down to one another, don't be afraid to leave. There are plenty of communities out there that focus on learning, sharing stories, and lifting each other up instead of tearing each other down.

And if you find yourself on the other side—posting negative comments or judging others—it's worth pausing and asking why. That kind of mindset isn't good for anyone. A better path is encouragement. Mentor someone new. Congratulate effort, not just outcomes. Strong outdoor traditions are built on support, not competition.

We're all part of the same hunting community, even if we sometimes feel divided. Be the kind of sportsman or sportswoman others want to learn from—not because of trophies, but because of your respect for the outdoors and the people in it.

At WhiteTail Forensics, we believe the ALTRE community should be positive, supportive, and welcoming. Disconnect when you need to. Reconnect with what matters. And never stop sharing your passion.

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# Spring *Activities* that embrace the outdoors.

For hunters and anglers, spring isn't an off-season—it's a reset. Winter fades, the woods come alive, and there's finally room to stretch your legs after months of cold mornings and short days. Spring offers a mix of opportunity, preparation, and simple enjoyment that suits anyone who lives for time outdoors.

For many hunters, spring starts with scouting. Fresh rain and soft ground makes tracks easy to spot, and last fall's sign is still visible before summer vegetation takes over. It's the perfect time to walk ridges, check trails, hang cameras, and fine-tune plans for next season. Turkey season also brings its own excitement, pulling hunters back into the woods with early mornings, gobbles on the ridge, and fast-paced action.

Anglers have just as much to look forward to. Spring fishing can be some of the best of the year. Trout streams wake up with hatches, bass move shallow, and walleye runs give river fishermen something to chase. Cooler water means active fish, and longer days make it easier to sneak in time after work or on a weekend morning.

One spring activity that often gets overlooked but shouldn't is mushroom and wild edible foraging. Morel mushrooms draw outdoorsmen and women into the timber every year, often combining hiking, scouting, and treasure hunting into one outing. Along with mushrooms, spring greens like ramps, wild onions, and other edible plants offer a way to connect with the land in a different, hands-on way. As always, proper identification is critical, but for those willing to learn, foraging

adds another layer of purpose to time outdoors.

Spring is also ideal for gardening, hiking, canoeing, and kayaking. Rivers run higher, trails are cooler, and wildlife is active everywhere you look. It's a great season to explore new ground or revisit old favorites without the heat and pressure of summer.

Above all, spring is about movement and renewal. It's a season that reminds each of us why we started hunting and fishing in the first place—not just for success, but for the experience.

Get outside, try something new, and let spring pull you back into the wild of the outdoors..



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# Content Creators Corner



Mick Alfonso, Woodland Pursuit

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## **Five Simple Tips for Filming Your Own Hunts**

Filming your own hunts doesn't have to be complicated, but a few habits go a long way.

First, Keep your setup simple. Fewer cameras and mounts mean less movement and less noise.

Second, Film the moments before and after the shot, not just the action; those small details often tell the best story.

Third, Know your camera controls without looking, so you can adjust focus or hit record without breaking concentration.

Fourth, Pay attention to camera angles and backgrounds, keeping the sun behind you whenever possible for better footage.

Finally, Don't let the camera ruin the hunt! If you miss a clip but enjoy the moment, you did it right. The best hunting videos feel real because the hunt came first.

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