

## Cow elk hunting on Pathfinder

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I love hunting with my dad on Pathfinder. He's the one who helps me hunt and I always have so much fun with him. I first got interested in hunting when I was very little because he and my grandpa would always take me hunting. I would love to watch my dad get his game and wanted to be just like him. My dad always gets me cool hunting clothes and takes to many cool places he has never taken anyone else before. Hunting has helped me grow closer to my dad so when he asked me if I wanted to hunt on Pathfinder I got so excited. I love being outside and getting to see all the wildlife. When hunting cow elk on Pathfinder the land was so pretty and I loved seeing the different mountains, wildlife tracks and ranches. I love going to Pathfinder and would hunt there anytime.

When hunting my cow elk, I was using a .243 Browning. My dad got it for me at a banquet and its one of my favorite guns. It was new when we got it, so I got to be the first one who used it. I learned to shoot when it was turkey season and my dad gave me my other gun and put a target up. He helped me set it up and I had a lot of fun.

I really wanted to hunt on Pathfinder because it's so beautiful. My dad and my cousins have all gotten to hunt on Pathfinder and I wanted to follow in their traditions. My cow elk hunt on Pathfinder wasn't easy but I had a lot of fun. I enjoyed climbing up hills and looking through binoculars to see all the different wildlife. Me and my dad got to drive through the land, and it was so pretty when we got to our destination. During my hunt, I had fun trying to look for cow elk. Hunting wasn't easy because you had to work hard to be quiet and try to spot your game.

It was so amazing to me about hunting because of the landscape. The hill would look so small so you would want to climb it, and you would climb forever. When you got to the top, you felt like you were on top of a mountain. My favorite part of hunting on Pathfinder was seeing all the different elk and mouse tracks. Seeing them in the snow was so beautiful and fascinating. I loved to walk through the rocks at Buzzard ranch and try to spot different animals. I would hunt on Pathfinder anytime again. I didn't get my cow elk this time but I'm so excited for when I do get my very first cow elk. The air in the mountains is so clear and cold and I just love to be at Pathfinder ranches. Thank you do much for letting me hunt on Pathfinder!



