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Hunting News

Conservation and Recreation

Hunters advised to scout dove plots ahead of opening day



Fast paced and fun, dove hunting can be done by nearly everyone regardless of skill level or mobility. It doesn't require expensive equipment to participate, only clothes that blend in to the background, a bucket and plenty of shells. There's a lot of action with a steady stream of doves coming in.

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Iowa's pheasant population second highest in a decade



Iowa's pheasant hunters can expect to find more birds this fall when they head to the fields, predict state wildlife experts. That forecast is based on the recently completed statewide population survey of pheasants, quail, partridge, cottontail rabbits and jackrabbits.

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Squirrel and Rabbit seasons begin Sept. 1

Squirrel hunting isn't just for experienced hunters; it's a season where novice hunters can learn necessary skills that can translate to other activities in the timber.



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Rabbit hunting does not require a significant investment or high tech equipment, just a shotgun and clothes that blend in to the landscape. Rabbit is a lean, low fat meat and popular table fare considered a delicacy in many

culinary circles.

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Space available in upcoming hunter education classes

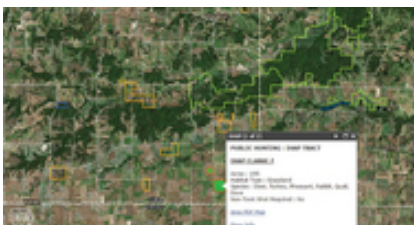


Hunter Education Classroom courses are offered by knowledgeable and certified volunteer instructors and Iowa Department of Natural Resources Conservation

Officers. Classroom courses are typically 12-15 hours in length and are held over 2 to 3 sessions (days). In order to receive certification, a student must attend all sessions and pass the final exam.

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Iowa's hunting atlas connects hunters to public land



Need a place to hunt? Start with the Iowa Hunting Atlas.

The Iowa hunting atlas is an interactive map that shows all public hunting land in the state.