

Fort Bragg Wildlife Calendar



Version: June 2025

August 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
August 9-31: Scouting and dog training hours are from 90 minutes prior to sunrise until 16:00. Those interested in doing either must check in AND out. Failure to check out by the NLT time will result in a two week check in hold on your account.					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
						Scouting Opens Dog Training Opens
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Closed No Scouting/ Dog Training	Closed No Scouting/ Dog Training				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Closed No Scouting/ Dog Training	Closed No Scouting/ Dog Training				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	Closed No Scouting/ Dog Training	Closed No Scouting/ Dog Training				

September 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day Dove Opens Early Canada Goose Opens Crow Opens*	2 Closed No Hunting	3 Closed No Hunting	4	5	6
7 No Migratory Bird Hunting	8 Closed No Hunting	9 Closed No Hunting	10	11	12	13 Deer Archery Opens
14 No Migratory Bird Hunting	15 Closed No Hunting	16 Closed No Hunting	17	18	19	20
21 No Migratory Bird Hunting	22 Closed No Hunting	23 Closed No Hunting	24	25	26	27 Youth Deer Hunting Day** Early Canada Goose Closes
28 Youth Deer Hunting Day** No Migratory Bird Hunting	29 Closed No Hunting	30 Closed No Hunting	Once hunting begins on 1 September, scouting hours are 90 minutes prior to sunrise until 90 minutes after sunset. *Crow hunting is authorized only on Wed, Fri and Sat (also on Labor Day, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day and Martin Luther King Day). **Youth hunters may hunt with any legal weapon for deer hunting in NC (archery, muzzleloader, rifle) on 9/27 & 9/28. ALL HUNTERS must wear blaze orange while in the woods, regardless of hunting area, on these two days.			

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October 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Once blackpowder begins on 10/4/25, all hunters must wear blaze orange while in the woods, even if hunting in a permanent archery area. Waterfowl and dove hunters must wear it while moving to and from your blind but may remove it once situated.			1	2	3	4 Blackpowder Opens Dove Closes
5 No Migratory Bird Hunting	6 Closed No Hunting	7 Closed No Hunting	8	9	10	11
12 No Migratory Bird Hunting	13 Columbus/ Indigenous Peoples' Day Bobcat, Gray & Fox Squirrel, Opossum, Rabbit, Raccoon Open	14 Closed No Hunting	15 Closed No Hunting	16 Waterfowl Opens	17	18 Deer Rifle Opens Duck Closes
19 No Migratory Bird Hunting	20 Closed No Hunting	21 Closed No Hunting	22	23	24	25 Canada Goose Closes
26 No Migratory Bird Hunting	27 Closed No Hunting	28 Closed No Hunting	29	30	Archery hunting is authorized during blackpowder & gun seasons. FYI, "Waterfowl" refers to ducks AND geese. You'll notice that ducks and geese occasionally open/close independently of one another.	

November 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2 No Migratory Bird Hunting	3 Closed No Hunting	4 Closed No Hunting	5	6	7	8 Dove Opens Waterfowl Opens
9 No Migratory Bird Hunting	10 Closed No Hunting	11 Veterans Day	12	13	14	15
16 No Migratory Bird Hunting	17 Closed No Hunting	18 Closed No Hunting	19	20	21	22 Quail Opens
23 No Migratory Bird Hunting	24 Closed No Hunting	25 Closed No Hunting	26	27 Thanksgiving Day	28	29 Duck Closes Dove Closes
30 No Migratory Bird Hunting						

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December 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Closed No Hunting	2 Closed No Hunting	3	4	5	6 Youth/Veteran/ Military Waterfowl Day <i>Canada goose closes</i>
7 No Migratory Bird Hunting	8 Closed No Hunting	9 Closed No Hunting	10	11 <i>Woodcock Opens</i>	12	13
14 No Migratory Bird Hunting	15	16 <i>Dove Opens</i>	17	18 <i>Canada Goose Opens</i>	19 <i>Duck Opens</i>	20
21 No Migratory Bird Hunting	22	23 <i>Christmas Eve No Hunting</i>	24 <i>Christmas Day No Hunting</i>	25	26	27
28 No Migratory Bird Hunting	29	30	Due to half day scheduling around the holidays, Fort Bragg will be open to hunt every day between 12/10 and 1/1/26, with the exception of 12/24 and 12/25. Hunting is closed those days. Deer season concludes on Thursday, 1 January 2026. For more information regarding youth/military/veteran waterfowl days, please visit the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission website http://www.eregulations.com/northcarolina/hunting-fishing/migratory-game-bird-seasons/			

January 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Beginning on 4 January, coyote and squirrel (gray and/or fox) hunting with a rifle will be authorized in lettered training areas that have been cleared by Range Control. Hunting will conclude on 28 February 25. Fox squirrel closes on 31 January.				1 <i>New Year's Day</i> <i>Deer closes</i>	2	3
4 No Migratory Bird Hunting	5 Closed No Hunting	6 Closed No Hunting	7	8	9	10
11 No Migratory Bird Hunting	12 Closed No Hunting	13 Closed No Hunting	14	15	16	17
18 No Migratory Bird Hunting	19 <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	20 Closed No Hunting	21 Closed No Hunting	22	23	24
25 No Migratory Bird Hunting	26 Closed No Hunting	27 Closed No Hunting	28	29	30	31 <i>Woodcock Closes</i> <i>Dove Closes</i> <i>Duck Closes</i> <i>Fox Squirrel Closes</i>

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February 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Closed No Hunting	3 Closed No Hunting	4	5	6	7 Youth/Veteran/ Military Waterfowl Day <i>Canada Goose Closes</i>
8 No Migratory Bird Hunting	9 Closed No Hunting	10 Closed No Hunting	11	12	13	14
15	16 <i>Presidents Day</i>	17 Closed No Hunting	18 Closed No Hunting	19	20	21
22	23 Closed No Hunting	24 Closed No Hunting	25	26	27	28 <i>Bobcat, Coyote, Crow, Gray squirrel, Opossum, Quail, Rabbit, and Raccoon close</i>
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March 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Closed No Dog Training	3 Closed No Dog Training	4	5	6	7
8	9 Closed No Dog Training	10 Closed No Dog Training	11	12	13	14
15	16 Closed No Dog Training	17 Closed No Dog Training	18	19	20	21
22	23 Closed No Dog Training	24 Closed No Dog Training	25	26	27 <i>Dog Training Closes</i>	28 <i>Scouting Opens</i>
29	30 Closed No Scouting	31 Closed No Scouting	During turkey season, hunters (and scouters on available days) may check in beginning at 04:00 on the day of the activity. Check out time is 12:00 noon.			

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April 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>NCWRC has changed the Youth Hunt this year. Take note that the only youth days are on Saturday 4/4 and Sunday 4/5. Scouting is closed on these days, and closes for the remainder once the main season opens on 4/11.</p>			1	2	3	4 Youth Turkey Opens Scouting Closed
5 Youth Turkey Closes Scouting Closed	6 Closed No Scouting	7 Closed No Scouting	8	9	10 Scouting Closes	11 Turkey Opens
12	13 Closed No Hunting	14 Closed No Hunting	15	16	17	18
19	20 Closed No Hunting	21 Closed No Hunting	22	23	24	25
26	27 Closed No Hunting	28 Closed No Hunting	29	30		

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May 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 Closed No Hunting	5 Closed No Hunting	6	7	8	9 Turkey Closes
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30
31						

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