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#### **Bear Lake Wilderness Camp**

The Drane Family Bear Lake Wilderness Camp PO Box 5262 Espanola, Ontario P5E 1S3 (502) 565-6221 **May - Oct** 

#### **US Address & Reservations**

Major Bill Drane (USAR) 7100 Ridgeway Circle Pendleton, KY 40055 (502) 565-6221 (cell)

#### **2020 Fall Bear Hunt** \$ 1735

Pkg is a 7 Day Guided Hunt (Sat – Sat). Includes all Baits, Cabin, Boat, Motor, and all the Gas you need.

#### Fishing included free

U.S. FUNDS (Sales Tax Extra)

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**Email:** 

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Bear Hunting 2020					
Spring	May 23 – May 30. First week May 30 – Jun 06. Last week				
	<u>May 30 – Jun 06</u> . Last week Aug 15 - Aug 22. Archery.				
Bow	Bow & Crossbow only				
Only	Aug 22 - Aug 29. Archery Bow & Crossbow only				
0	Aug 29 - Sep 05. Gun Including Black Powder and Archery				
Gun or Bow	Sep 05 - Sep 12. Gun Including Black Powder and Archery				
	Sep 12 - Sep 19. Gun Including Black Powder and Archery				
Cast & Blast Special					
(9/19 - 10/10) 2020					
\$635 pp					
Combin					
Combine Fishing with hunting for Ducks, Geese, and Grouse.					

We have a <u>65% Harvest Rate</u> average for past 19 years. This does not count any bears with non-lethal wounds that can't be retrieved, passed up bears, or missed shots.

We hear a lot of outfitters boast 90% & up. Their inflated numbers generally include a lot of explaining with counting missed shots and passed up bears.

With the number of misses it would be tempting to count missed shots / missed opportunities. We don't and won't do that. We try to give you as honest picture of what to expect as we can. We post our numbers every year here and with the MNR

According the Ministry of Natural Resources the success rate on Bear is 25%. If this is true how can all these other outfitters claim to be 100%?

#### **Black Bear Hunt at Bear Lake**

Our season starts with two weeks of Spring Hunting. We run a very small hunt to make sure everyone has an opportunity to see and take a bear.

We limit hunters to just 8 per week. All Archers will have to qualify at 20 yards before being allowed to hunt. This may seem unfair, but if you can't hit a pie plate at 20 yards you are doing yourself and the bear a disservice.

Crossbows are considered bows and are welcome as well. In fact, bows do not have to be registered at the border like guns do.

The first week of September starts our Gun hunting weeks. Archers are most welcome. We have separate areas for them. These are good weeks for groups that have both gun and bow hunters.

Like Archery weeks, Hunters are limited to just 8 per week. When we get between 30 hunters for the season, we will close the season off to new bookings.

Be prepared to hunt on Sat. This is a true 7 day hunt and as soon as we get your orientation and your equipment issued to you; you will be placed on baits that very afternoon. Many bear are taken on Saturday as there is less scent in the woods.

We are very a "Hands On" Lodge. We will monitor your hunt by radio and will

patrol the lake system to aid you with your bear and guide you back home to your cabin each night.



### Bear Lake Wilderness Camp

### **Bear Hunts**

#### **Baiting is Essential**

It all begins with Baiting, Baiting and more Baiting. We start baiting our stands in mid July at least a full 30 days before the season starts. This early baiting sets you up for success. We bait each and every day. We bait by boat because none of our baits are accessible by road or logging trail. This means more work for us but better hunts for you. You won't have ATV's, vehicles, or people coming into your area.

#### **Archery is our Specialty**

We love archers and they do very well at Bear Lake. We start our fall season mid August with two weeks of Archery Only Hunts. This allows the archer an opportunity to get closer to the bears before gun season starts. We maintain an archery range with 3D targets and elevated stands that help prepare the archer. Our permanent wood tree stands are 12 feet high and are range finded 20 yards exactly to the baits. Our bait sites are constructed to give you a broadside or quartering away shot.

#### **Gun Hunting**

Our Gun Hunts start the first week of September. This lets the weather cool and gives us two more weeks of to bait prior to your arrival. We maintain separate gun and archery areas so you will be hunting a fresh bait. We offer 4 weeks of weapon of choice (gun or bow). Most any 30 caliber rifle is sufficient. The 30-06, 7mm, and 44 magnum have brought great success. A heavy grain bullet is recommended for bear. Your shots will be less than 60 yards. Low power scopes and open sights work best. Both ground blinds and tree stands are available.

#### **Limited Hunts**

We self limit the number of hunters we take per week and the number we have for a season. We take no more than 8 hunters per week and no more than 30 hunters per season. If we reach either point we close the week or the season to any more hunters.

#### **Hunting Adventure**

Your adventure begins by picking you up lakeside at Lang Lake on Saturday. We will transport you and your party via boat out 15+ miles to our island. We will off-load you at your group's cabin. We don't mix groups.

Once you get settled and draw your boat, we give an in-depth orientation on how the hunt works, hunting tips, judging size and answering any questions you might have. We will pair up hunters and take you to your stands and give you an in-depth area recon.

We offer a full 7 Day Hunt: so you will be hunting Saturday – Friday. When you get your Bear, you will hail us on the radio. We have several guides monitoring your hunt by boat. This avoids getting more scent into the area. The guide will go

directly to you and assist you with your Bear. Unlike a lot of outfitters, we take a more hands on approach. Our guide will track and retrieve your bear, field dress your bear and transport it back to camp. We will then skin your bears, package your trophy, process and package the meat, and freeze everything for your trip home. This is all included.

#### Spring vs. Fall Bear Hunt

Both hunts offer distinct advantages. The Spring Hunt is usually more successful. In Fall, you don't have to contend with black flies and mosquitoes. Additionally, the weather is very pleasant and the bear hides are much better.

The biggest difference is bear behavior. In the fall. Bears are less territorial and are apt to travel much more. They are looking for food like berries or something sweet to add weight for the long winter. We use baits that appeal to their cravings like sweet baits with vanilla, honey, and caramel. You will definitely be able to smell our baits from your stand so you can imagine how far the scent carries.

#### **Our Location**

Our bear management area is in Killarney Wilderness Park. We are grandfathered in and have a great advantage for drawing black bears. To our south there is no hunting and we are the only lodge / outfitter in this area. Additionally, we are not accessible by road. This makes for a formidable combination.

#### **Trophy Opportunites**

There are a good number of large bears in our area. Many will grow to be 300 – 400 pounds. The average weight tends to be about 235 with a good number of our guests getting a Pope & Young or Boone & Crockett Bear.

#### In General

<u>Good shots are essential</u>. Bears are extremely durable and bush density does not offer many second shots. Range practice is important as your bow or gun should be sighted in. This will help insure your success and wound fewer bears.

<u>Scent is extremely important</u>. A black bear's nose is 40 times greater than a whitetail deer. So remember to take great care of your scent. Use a scent free soap, let your clothes hang outside, and pack them in a scent proof container with pine needles. Use boots with rubber soles. If you are a smoker, use Nicorette gum or an inhaler.

#### WHAT WE OFFER

We offer you a quality, 7 Day Hunt over baited stands with your friends in a remote area that holds one of the most concentrated bear populations in North America today.



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#### **Fall Bear Hunting**

At Bear Lake we offer both Fall and Spring Bear Hunts. There are advantages to both.

#### Fall Bear Hunting

•<u>No mosquitoes or black flies</u>. There is no need to wrap yourself up with mosquito netting and duct tape.

•**<u>Bigger and better Bear</u>**. Bear are 30% larger in the fall and the quality of their meat is much better.

•**Better hides.** A spring bear has been laying on its fur all winter. There are bald spots and the fur is thinner. In fall, the bear's fur is full and has a neat black luster to it.

#### **Spring Bear Hunting**

•<u>Higher Success Rate</u>. Bears have lost 30% of their body mass and are very hungry. Additionally, this is their mating season. They are distracted and less apt to worry about your presence / scent. Scheduling may be better.

**Both hunts** genuinely have great weather. Most Hunters fish in the morning and hunt afternoon till dark. Fishing Species may differ during this time as Bass comes in late June.

In order to hunt in Ontario, you <u>must</u> bring a copy of an expired or new <u>US Hunting License</u>. This is needed to receive a Bear Hunting License.

**Note** – Children <u>under 16</u> will not be allowed to bring in a gun or obtain a hunting license.

**Note** – **Hand Guns** are **illegal** in Canada. Do **NOT** bring them! This is a serious offense.

#### **Getting a Bear (all included)**

We track & retrieve your bear.

We Field Dress it.

□ Transport it back to camp.

□ Skin the Bear for you.

Prep & Package the Trophy & Meat.

□ Freeze your Trophy & Meat solid.

#### **CANADIAN GUN LAWS**

Canada has enacted strict laws with respect to the importing, exporting, possession, use, storage, display and transportation of firearms. Since these are federal laws, they apply across the country.

You <u>must</u> fill out a **Non-Resident Firearm Declaration Form**; the form will be your temporary firearms license while you are in Canada.

At Bear Lake we make sure that your trip through customs is a breeze. We mail you a complete prep packet that has all the forms that you need for customs. You will also get maps of the area, packing lists, and a primer on how to hunt black bear.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT TAGS / LICENSES ETC

Gun Registration\$ 25 CAD\$ 20 USDBows are exempt from this fee. Collected by customs

Outdoor Card	\$ 9 CAD	\$ 7 USD	
<u>Bear License</u>	\$ 231 CAD	\$ 178 USD	
Small Game	\$ 117 CAD	\$ 90 USD	
<u>Fishing (C)</u>	\$ 31 CAD	\$ 24 USD	
Export Tag	\$ 35 CAD	\$ 28 USD	

#### **Distance / Driving Time**

City	ST	Miles	Hours
Buffalo	NY	371	6.50
Charleston	wv	800	12.87
Chicago	IL	635	10.25
Cincinnati	ОН	728	11.40
Cleveland	ОН	560	9.33
Columbus	ОН	675	10.87
Detroit	МІ	490	7.85
Grand Rapids	МІ	443	7.28
Harrisburg	ΡΑ	679	11.33
Lansing	МІ	425	7.08
Lexington	KY	812	12.66
Louisville	KY	797	12.33
Milwaukee	wi	552	9.75
Pittsburgh	ΡΑ	588	9.75



# **2020** Rate Schedule

## <u>Summer Address</u>

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🗍 SCAN ME

One full week. Includes Water Taxi – In / Out, a provide nets, paddles, and maps & use of all the customers gets a 16 - foot Lund powered by a comfortable, private, lake front cottage with a 4 stroke outboard. We pay for all the gas and provided with prior notice & additional fee. fully equipped kitchen. Each two paying 25 lakes & portage boats. Meals can be

# \$1735 Fall Bear Hunt Package

Fishing is included free of charge. We limit the number of hunters by week and season! Meals can be provided rack, skin, and prepare your bear for transport home. complimentary fishing package as listed above plus orientation, boat, motor, and gas. We will help you pre-baited active stands. We provide guides, an Chis 7 Day Guided Fall Bear Hunt includes a with prior notice & additional fee

## Aug 15 – Sep 19

# \$1735 Spring Bear Hunt Pkg

exclusive hunt and is for folks that May 23 – Jun 06 backage as listed above plus pre-baited active stands. It is basically the same as the fall bear hunt package This 7 Day Guided Bear Hunt includes a fishing with the only change being the dates. It is a very have conflicts for the fall hunt.





Special & Discounts

## \$535 Pike & Walleve Special

May 16th - June 20th. Save \$200 off per person. off our standard package

# Cast & Blast Special \$635

and Grouse come in Season Mid September. Fish and Fish and add Duck & Grouse Hunting for free! Ducks Hunting Combination Package!

# In Harm's Way Discount

Discount with an ID. Thank you for keeping us safe. folks that put their life on the line to protect, defend As a military family, we would like to thank all the **Enforcement**, and **Firefighters** receive a 10% and keep us safe. So all Military, Law

# 6 Fish for the Price of 5

Organizing a trip like this can be a major ordeal. So, bring 5 other paying guests we will make your free, or 6 fish for the price of 5). Not usable with a another special!

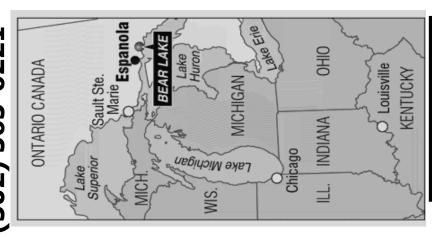
# Kids under 14 are just \$200 each

when accompanied by a paying adult

# **Rates in US Funds**

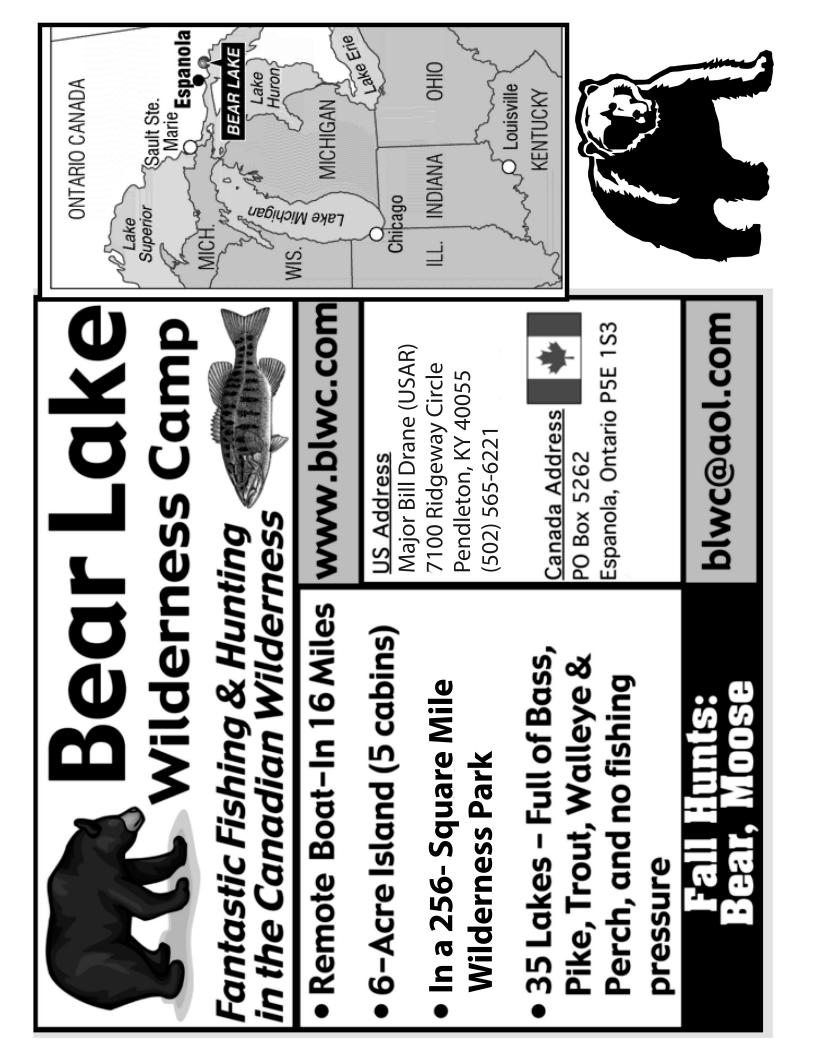
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Portage Motors \$90 / wk Licenses, Bait & Guides What's not included Government Sales Tax Parking \$ 50/ week

Prices subject to change



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### **Great Hunting**









### Fantastic Fishing







### A great place to stay





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