

Texas Hunting Season



In addition to a hunting license, a migratory game bird stamp endorsement (\$7) is required to hunt any migratory game bird, including mourning dove (a Federal Sandhill Crane Permit is required to hunt sandhill crane). An upland game bird stamp endorsement (\$7) is required to hunt turkey, quail, pheasant, or chachalacas. See County Listings for specific county regulations.

Please be aware of seasons, bag limits, means and methods for the county in which you intend to hunt.

2018-2019 seasons and regulations by county is available at license retailers and online at www.outdoorannual.com

Alligator

22 Counties & special properties: Sep. 10 - 30, 2018
All Other Counties: Apr. 1 - June 30, 2019

Chachalaca

Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr & Willacy Counties:
Nov. 3, 2018 - Feb. 24, 2019

Dove

North Zone

Sep. 1 - Nov. 4, 2018 & Dec. 21, 2018 - Jan. 14, 2019

Central Zone

Sep. 1 - Nov. 4, 2018 & Dec. 21, 2018 - Jan. 14, 2019

South Zone

Regular season: Sep. 14 - Oct. 30, 2018; Dec. 14, 2018 - Jan. 21, 2019

Additional days for Special White-winged Dove season:

Sep. 1, 2, 8, 9 (special regulations apply)

Duck

North Zone

Regular season: Nov. 10 - 25, 2018 & Dec. 2, 2017 - Jan. 27, 2019

Dusky duck: Nov. 8 - 25, 2018 & Dec. 8, 2017 - Jan. 27, 2019

Youth-only: Nov. 3 - 4, 2018

South Zone

Regular season: Nov. 3 - 25, 2018 & Dec. 8, 2018 - Jan. 27, 2019

Dusky Duck: Nov. 8 - 25, 2018 & Dec. 8, 2018 - Jan. 27, 2019

Youth-only: Oct. 27 - 28, 2018

High Plains Mallard Management Unit (HPMMU)

Regular season: Oct. 27 - 28, 2018 &

Nov. 2, 2018 - Jan. 27, 2019

Dusky duck: Nov. 5, 2018 - Jan. 27, 2019

Youth-only: Oct. 20 - 21, 2018

Gallinule, Rail, Moorhen

Sep. 15 - 30, 2018 & Nov. 3 - Dec. 26, 2018

Goose

East Zone

Early Canada goose: Sep. 15 - 30, 2018

Light & dark geese: Nov. 3, 2018 - Jan. 27, 2019

Light goose conservation order: Jan. 28 - Mar. 17, 2019

West Zone

Light & dark geese: Nov. 3, 2018 - Feb. 3, 2019

Light goose conservation order: Feb. 4 - Mar. 17, 2019

Javelina

North Zone: Oct. 1, 2018 - Feb. 24, 2019

South Zone: Sep. 1, 2018 - Aug. 31, 2019

Mule Deer

General Season

Panhandle: Nov. 17 - Dec. 2, 2018

SW Panhandle: Nov. 17 - 25, 2018

Trans-Pecos: Nov. 23 - Dec. 9, 2018

Archery Season

Sep. 29 - Nov. 2, 2018

Pheasant

Panhandle: Dec. 1 - 30, 2018

Pronghorn Antelope

Sep. 29 - Oct. 7, 2018

Quail

Statewide: Oct. 27, 2018 - Feb. 24, 2019

Rabbits & Hares

No closed season.

Sandhill Crane

Zone A: Oct. 27, 2018 - Jan. 27, 2019

Zone B: Nov. 23, 2018 - Jan. 27, 2019

Zone C: Dec. 15, 2018 - Jan. 20, 2019

Squirrel

East Texas: Oct. 1, 2018 - Feb. 24, 2019 & May 1 - 31, 2019

Other Open Counties: Sep. 1, 2018 - Aug. 31, 2019

Special Youth Season: Sep. 29 - 30, 2018

Snipe

Oct. 27, 2018 - Feb. 10, 2019

Teal

Sep. 15 - 30, 2018

Turkey

Rio Grande Turkey

Fall Season

North Zone: Nov. 3, 2018 - Jan. 6, 2019

South Zone: Nov. 3, 2018 - Jan. 20, 2019

Brooks, Kenedy, Kleberg & Willacy counties: Nov. 2, 2018 - Feb. 24, 2019

Archery-Only: Sep. 29 - Nov. 2, 2018

Fall Youth-Only

North Zone: Oct. 27 - 28, 2018 & Jan. 7 - 20, 2019

South Zone: Oct. 27 - 28, 2018 & Jan. 21 - Feb. 3, 2019

Spring Season

North Zone: Mar. 30 - May 12, 2019

South Zone: Mar. 16 - Apr. 28, 2019

One-turkey counties: April 1 - April 30, 2019

Spring Youth-Only

North Zone: Mar. 23 - 24, 2019 & May 18 - 19, 2019

South Zone: Mar. 9 - 10, 2019 & May 4 - 5, 2019

Eastern Turkey

Spring Season

East Texas: Apr. 22 - May 14, 2019

White-tailed Deer

General Season

North Zone: Nov. 3, 2018 - Jan. 6, 2019

South Zone: Nov. 3, 2018 - Jan. 20, 2019

Special Late Season

North Zone: Jan. 7 - 20, 2019

South Zone: Jan. 21 - Feb. 3, 2019

Youth-Only Seasons

Early Season: Oct. 27 - 28, 2018

Late Season: Jan. 7 - 20, 2019

Archery Season

Sep. 29 - Nov. 2, 2018

Muzzleloader-Only Season

Jan. 7 - 20, 2019

Woodcock

Dec. 18, 2018 - Jan. 31, 2019