UPLAND GAME IN NORTH DAKOTA

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North Dakota's landscape provides great habitat for upland game birds like pheasant, sharp-tailed grouse, and Hungarian partridge. Bird dogs have been waiting for action like this all year. There are hundreds of thousands of acres of prime upland habitat on Private Land Open To Sportsmen (PLOTS) and Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) open to public hunting and exploration. Whether using a guide or DIY, North Dakota has a bucket list of worthy hunts waiting for those that

PHEASANT

are ready for a trip of a lifetime.

Season

Pheasant may be taken statewide (*see exemption) from October 7, 2023 – January 7, 2024.

*By state law, nonresidents are allowed to begin hunting on Game and Fish Department WMA's or PLOTS starting October 14, 2023. Nonresident landowners may hunt on land enrolled in PLOTS that they own the first week of the season.



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Range

Pheasant can be found statewide in North Dakota. The primary pheasant range is an area comprised of southern, central and western North Dakota. Traditionally the highest concentration of birds have been found in the southwestern part of the state, though the northwest has seen higher bird counts and more stable populations in recent years.



or reach out to Mike Jensen at mjjensen@nd.gov or 701-328-2525.

SHARP-TAILED GROUSE

Season

Sharp-tailed Grouse may be taken statewide (*see exemption) September 9, 2023 – January 7, 2024.

*Portions of Richland, Ransom, Sargent, Cass and Grand Forks Counties are closed to Sharp-tailed Grouse Hunting.

HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE

Season

Hungarian "Hun" or Grey Partridge may be taken statewide from September 9, 2023 – January 7, 2024.

Hungarian Partridge's primary range is across western North Dakota and an area in central North Dakota between US Highway 52 and Interstate 94.

OTHER UPLAND BIRDS

Ruffed Grouse and Turkey seasons are available. There will be no seasons for Sage Grouse or Prairie Chicken this year due to low populations. For more information on all upland species, visit gf.nd.gov/hunting/upland.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

NONRESIDENT LICENSE REQUIREMENTS (HUNTERS AGES 16+)	
Fishing, Hunting, and Furbearer Certificate	\$2
General Game and Habitat License	\$20
Nonresident Small Game License - Good for two 7-day periods or a single 14 consecutive day period and multiple licenses can be purchased within a season	\$100

Landowners may
post land with
physical signage or
electronically. Visit
gf.nd.gov/hunting/where
for publicly accessible
hunting lands.

Upland daily bag limit (per species) — 3 Upland possession limit (per species) — 12 Shooting time — 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset

LAND ACCESS

To identify areas that are open to hunting, visit https://gf.nd.gov/hunting/where.

- Public Lands For information on PLOTS and other huntable lands visit https://gf.nd.gov/plots/guide.
- Unposted Lands Private land that is not physically or electronically posted and is not otherwise restricted to hunting by law may be hunted without landowner permission.
- Posted Lands No hunting is allowed, without permission from the landowner or lessee, on private lands in North Dakota that have been legally posted either with physical signs or electronically.

GUIDES AND OUTFITTERS

For a complete list of area guides and outfitters, visit www.NDtourism.com/listings/guides-outfitters.



