

SERVICES & PRICE GUIDE



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HELLO FRIEND

My name is Aspen Stalls and I am a wildlife guide and photographer based in Eastern North Carolina. I have a background in biology, specifically carnivore behavior and coexistence. I've worked around species from black bears and endangered red wolves to spotted hyenas and lions. I studied biology at Wake Forest University and carnivore coexistence in Tanzania. I worked for Wildlands Network where I helped manage a trail camera project researching the relationship between red wolves and other wildlife in their ecosystem.

HALF DAY GUIDES



~ 5 HOURS;
SUNRISE - MID DAY OR
MID DAY TO SUNSET



1-3 PEOPLE



SNACKS INCLUDED;
LUNCH IS NOT



\$500 (FOR TRIP,
NOT PER PERSON)



BUG &
BEAR SPRAY
INCLUDED



BINOCULARS
ON HAND



FULL DAY GUIDES



~ 12 HOURS
SUNRISE TO SUNSET



1-3 PEOPLE



SNACKS & LUNCH
IN MANTEO INCLUDED



\$800 (FOR TRIP,
NOT PER PERSON)



BUG &
BEAR SPRAY
INCLUDED



BINOCULARS
ON HAND



WHAT TO EXPECT

MEET-UP

If you are staying in Manteo, I will happily pick you up. If not, we will meet at an entrance to the refuge.

Morning meet-up is typically 20 minutes before sunrise. Afternoon is typically ~2-3pm.

MID-DAY BREAK (FULL DAY ONLY)

Especially in warm months when wildlife isn't as active in the afternoon, we will take a mid-day break in Manteo. I can drop you off for a power nap or we will check out some local attractions.

Clients have visited the refuge visitor center, NCAquarium, Christmas Shoppe, local coffee shops and more.

WILDLIFE

Your chances of seeing different species depends on time of year and weather. Check out the calendar to help determine when you want to visit. Remember that this is the wild, not a zoo, and animal activity is sometimes unpredictable.

ETHICS

At the forefront of my guides are wildlife ethics. Clients must sign an ethics agreement before their guides promising to listen to their guide regarding distance, safety, and behavior around wild animals especially endangered red wolves. The welfare of the animals comes before any shot or viewing opportunity.

ETHICAL WOLF PHOTOGRAPHY STANDARDS



Give Them Space

A minimum distance of 100 yards is preferred for red wolf viewing.

01



Move On

If a wolf is very close, I will allow for no more than 5 minutes of time before moving on.

02



Leave Them Wild

Absolutely no baiting, feeding, whooping, howling at, or otherwise directly interacting with the wolves.

03



No Camping Out

No sitting in one spot at a popular red wolf crossing area for a lengthy period of time.

04



No Location Markers

We will edit out or not post on social media any photo that gives away a road name, landmark, or otherwise obvious location.

05



Avoid Crowds

If there is a large group of people watching wolves closer than 100 yards, we will move on.

06

HOW THIS GUIDE CAN HELP RED WOLF CONSERVATION



Learn about ethical wildlife viewing

On guides, we learn how to ethically view wildlife, including an endangered species.

01



Learn about the wolves & their recovery

Learn how the wolves are managed, the status of the wild population, wolf behavior, and biology

02



Learn how to help red wolves

Learn how to make an impact for red wolves after you leave the refuge.

03



Visiting local businesses

Show the locals that wolves can benefit the economy by directly visiting local businesses.

04



Talking about red wolves

When in red wolf country, making sure to spark up conversations about red wolves and mention you're there for them.

05

WHEN SHOULD I VISIT THE REFUGE?

Different times of year at the refuge offer different sights and wildlife behavior patterns. Use this chart to help figure out when you'd like to plan your visit or email me questions at wildlifewithaspen@gmail.com



SUMMER
June-August



FALL
Sept- Nov.



WINTER
Dec.-Feb



SPRING
March-May



Pros:

- Red Wolf Activity
- High Bear Activity
- Reptile Activity

Cons:

- Lots of bugs
- Extremely hot
- May get rained out

Pros:

- Bear Activity
- Reptile Activity
- Cooler weather
- Fewer bugs

Cons:

- Agricultural fields may be so high, visibility is limited

Pros:

- Red Wolf Activity
- Migratory waterfowl
- Few bugs

Cons:

- Low bear activity
- Occasional ice storm may cause reschedule

Pros:

- Red Wolf Activity
- Medium bear activity
- Reptile Activity

Cons:

- Bear cubs aren't out yet



TESTIMONIALS

"I'VE FOLLOWED ASPEN'S PHOTOGRAPHY FOR AWHILE NOW, AND WHEN SHE ANNOUNCED THAT SHE WOULD BE DOING GUIDES IN ALLIGATOR RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, I JUMPED AT THE CHANCE. I HAD TO WAIT A COUPLE MONTHS AND IT WAS WELL WORTH THE WAIT! WE SAW SO MANY ANIMALS, FROM OTTERS, TO RATTLESNAKES, TO EVEN ENDANGERED RED WOLVES. IF YOU'RE A WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER OR JUST ENJOY WILDLIFE VIEWING, A GUIDE WITH ASPEN IS LIKE CHRISTMAS DAY." - STEVEN B.

"IF YOU'RE READING THIS, YOU NOW WHAT THE ARNWR HAS TO OFFER. I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH POSITIVE THINGS ABOUT ASPEN'S WILDLIFE TOUR- SHE IS A VERY KNOWLEDGABLE, PASSIONATE, AND KIND GUIDE WHO YOU CAN TELL TRULY LOVES THE ANIMALS NATIVE TO REGION. JUST A SHORT TRIP FROM THE OBX, ASPEN OFFERS A TRULY UNIQUE EXPERIENCE AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPOT THE CRITICALLY ENDANGERED AMERICAN RED WOLF, AMONG OTHER WILDLIFE. WE NEED TO DO ALL WE CAN DO TO HELP PROTECT THESE MAGNIFICENT AND MUCH-UNJUSTLY-MALIGNED WOLVES, AND THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS THAT IS IN KNOWING THAT THEY EXIST AND SEEING THEM FIRST-HAND." - DANNY & ANNA B.



READY TO BOOK?

GLAD YOU ASKED

To book a guide, please email me at wildlifewithaspen@gmail.com and we can start planning and scheduling your guide!



THANK YOU

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