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Introduction and Background

The white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) is the premier big game species in the United States and annually, millions of sportsmen take to the woods in pursuit of the deer with a flag-like tail. Curiously, white-tailed deer hold some fascination for most people regardless of whether or not they actually hunt deer. This fascination may stem from the importance of deer in the development of our country or maybe it is due to the animals' shy nature and overall beauty. In either case, humans are always impressed to catch a glimpse of a white-tailed deer.

White-tailed deer are members of the cervid family which is represented in the United States by four genera; *Cervus* (elk), *Alces* (moose), *Odocoileus* (mule deer and white-tailed deer), and *Rangifer* (caribou). In the modern form, white-tailed deer originated in America perhaps 8-12 million years ago and currently the species' range extends from southern Canada through the United States and Mexico and into northern South America. In pre-Columbian times it is estimated that there were approximately 30 million white-tailed deer in the United States and although deer numbers had declined a great deal by 1800 there was still an abundance of deer. However, during the period 1800-1900 heavy commercial exploitation of deer for meat and hides coupled with habitat destruction, poor land use practices, and an ever-increasing human population caused deer numbers to plummet to around 500,000 by the turn of the 20th century. Thanks to legislation in the early 1900's that provided protection for wildlife and funding for wildlife management, white-tailed deer numbers have again increased to over 20 million nationwide. Deer hunting represents a significant recreational as well as financial resource in many states.

History of White-tailed Deer in South Carolina

In pre-Columbian times much of South Carolina's landscape was composed of mature hardwood and longleaf pine forest habitats. Deer were statewide in distribution, but their overall densities could best be described as moderate. These moderate densities resulted from the lack of optimum habitat diversity for deer that was associated with historic, mature forests. Also, predators like the cougar, red wolf and American Indian helped to keep deer numbers regulated. Higher deer densities occurred in areas where disturbance created early stages of ecological succession. These disturbed areas provided an abundance of new, succulent growth close to the forest floor and within reach of browsing deer. Deer became locally abundant in areas where disturbance opened the forest canopy and allowed sunlight to penetrate and stimulate new growth. Natural disturbances that opened the forest canopy included lightning fires, tornadoes, and hurricanes. The impact of a storm like Hurricane Hugo

on pre-Columbian forests would have created an immense area suitable for an abundance of deer. Similarly, the native American Indians understood this relationship and used fire frequently to create habitat suitable for larger numbers of deer.

The coming of the colonists had little immediate negative impacts on white-tailed deer. Although firearms facilitated the harvest of greater numbers of deer, clearing of land for small communities and farms created habitats that allowed for increased numbers of deer. Overall, during the early colonial period there was a general equilibrium between the colonists' (and Indians') use of deer and the benefits that deer populations received. However, by the 1800's the value associated with deer, improvements in firearms, extensive agriculture, and unrestricted market hunting began to severely limit deer and herds declined drastically in South Carolina. Domestic use of deer hides was great and in addition, annual exports of deer hides from Charleston approached 150,000 during the mid-to-late 1700's. The terms "buck", "doe", and "skin" persist to this day as monetary references reflecting the historic value of deer in our heritage.

The early 1900's marked the low point for deer in South Carolina as it did across the country. However, due to public concern for conservation things began to change in a positive direction for deer. The Lacey Act was passed by Congress in 1900 placing regulations on the interstate trafficking of wildlife and, in 1923, South Carolina passed the buck law which prohibited the harvest of female deer. In 1937, Congress passed a sweeping piece of legislation called the Wildlife Restoration Act or Pittman-Robertson Act. This act, named for the senator and congressman who sponsored it, authorized the setting apart of a tax on sporting arms and ammunition to be used in cooperation with states in wildlife restoration projects.

Also important to the recovery of deer in South Carolina were widespread changes in habitat that benefited deer. Although clearing for agriculture was greatly responsible for low deer numbers by 1900, the habitat began to change for the better in the 1920's. Years of significant drought and the impact of the cotton boll weevil were devastating to farming. With this reduction in farming came a trend of people leaving farms prior to and especially after World War II. Mills began to operate in many parts of the state and a large amount of agricultural land began reverting to forest land. So at that time there were laws that offered protection for deer, funds to implement wildlife management and research, and habitat improvements all of which set the stage for the recovery of white-tailed deer in South Carolina.

Although delayed by World War II, restocking efforts began in earnest in the early 1950's. At that time, deer were virtually non-existent in the piedmont and mountains of South Carolina and there was little if any deer hunting in those areas. Fortunately, good residual populations remained in the river swamps of the coastal plain and these strongholds of deer became the source for restocking. The fact that all restocking that took place in South Carolina used native deer as stock places South Carolina in a unique position with respect to genetic integrity. The characteristics of native South Carolina deer evolved due to environmental, behavioral and genetic pressures exerted for millions of years and we are lucky to have only native deer in South Carolina. Most, if not all, other states that had restocking programs received deer from other states.

In both the central and western piedmont, where deer were rare, wildlife biologists restocked approximately 100 deer during the early to mid-1950's. Deer numbers rapidly increased and by about 1960 the first deer hunts were held in these areas. In each case, the first hunt was a 3-day buck only hunt and in each case 1 buck was harvested. In contrast, the combined deer harvest from the Central and Western Piedmont Hunt Units in recent years has been approximately 75,000 deer annually. In much of the coastal plain, deer numbers were sufficient to allow hunting even when there was no hunting in the mountains and piedmont. Today, the statewide deer population is approximately 730,000. Huntible populations exist in all 46 counties in South Carolina and the annual statewide deer harvest is approximately 190,000.

South Carolina White-tailed Deer Antler Records Program

The South Carolina White-tailed Deer Antler Records Program began in the spring of 1974 and since that time, 7,691 sets of antlers (7,378 typical and 313 non-typical) have been officially entered onto the list. Initially, measuring sessions were only conducted a few times each spring, but since 1987 antler measuring sessions have been scheduled throughout the state. Each year SCDNR wildlife biologists and wildlife technicians measure approximately 500 sets of antlers. Generally, only about one-third of the antlers that are measured make the Antler Records List with the bulk of entrants falling short of the minimum scores.

The purpose of the Antler Records Program is two-fold. First, because of the increased interest in deer hunting exhibited by sportsmen, it is a way to recognize outstanding white-tailed deer taken in South Carolina. Second, it provides management information that allows SCDNR wildlife biologists to identify areas that produce quality deer. When particular areas stand out it is

important to attempt to recognize the underlying characteristics that produce outstanding animals.

As deer populations have grown in South Carolina, it has become more apparent that deer herd density in a given area is related to the production of large deer. Typically, areas of the state that are known to have large numbers of deer do not produce as many large antlered deer as those areas with fewer deer. Even areas that have exceptional habitat can only support a certain number of deer before the quality of the animals begins to decline. During much of the 1980's, the statewide deer population and annual deer harvest were perhaps two-thirds of what they are today. However, a tremendous number of deer were harvested that made the records list. In fact, the period between 1982 and 1992 accounts for approximately 30 percent of all records even though the list contains records that date to the early 1900's. Over the long term, approximately one of every 800 white-tailed bucks harvested in South Carolina qualifies for the records list.

This addition of *South Carolina Deer Antler Records 2020 and 2021* is based on activities conducted during score years 2020 and 2021. Antlers from deer that are taken in the fall are typically measured the following spring. For example, antlers from deer taken in the fall of 2019 were measured in the score year or spring of 2020 and antlers from deer taken in the fall of 2020 were measured in score year or spring of 2021. Antlers taken in other years may also be included in this publication since they were measured during these two cycles. Rather than the traditional annual update, this two-year update was brought about by the effects of COVID-19 on the ability of SCDNR to conduct public antler measuring sessions and the fact that under the conditions it took two years to accumulate enough entries to make an update worthwhile.

Measuring System

The state's antler measuring system is the same as that utilized by both the Boone & Crockett and Pope & Young Clubs which are recognized as the national organizations that record exceptional North American big game taken with firearms and archery equipment, respectively. The measuring system is based primarily on antler size and symmetry and includes measurements of the main beams, greatest inside spread of the beams, circumference measurements at certain designated locations, and the number and length of the points. To be counted as a point, a projection must be at least one inch long and it must be longer than it is wide at its base.

Deductions are made for points that arise abnormally from the main beams or from other points and for symmetrical differences between corresponding measurements on the right and left antlers. For non-typical antlers, abnormal points are added to the score rather than being deducted as in the typical category. A set of antlers is classified as typical or non-typical based on its general conformation, the number of abnormal points, and a determination as to whether it will rank higher in the typical or non-typical category. Current minimum scores for the South Carolina Antler Records List are 125 typical points and 145 non-typical points. All antlers must undergo a minimum 60-day drying period before they can be officially measured. If a set of antlers meets the minimum score the record is added to the list and a certificate is issued recognizing the outstanding white-tailed deer taken in South Carolina.

About the Records List

The reader will notice that this publication contains a number of separate lists. The first two lists contain the records for typical and non-typical antlers that were documented during 2020 and 2021 only. Although most of these records represent deer harvested during the fall 2019 or 2020 hunting seasons, some records were taken in previous years and were not officially measured until 2020 or 2021. Separate rankings are presented for the score years (2020-2021) and for all-time. These rankings reflect the position of the antlers compared to the other antlers measured during the year and as compared with all historical records.

The third and fourth lists contain the top 100 records for all-time in the typical category and the top 50 records for all-time in the non-typical category. These lists reflect the upper portion of all historical entries and each set of antlers is ranked as compared with the other antlers in the category.

The final list provides information related to the all-time entry of antler records by county. The list is broken down by typical and non-typical and provides the rank for each county based on total number of historic entries, as well as the county rank based on the number of entries in relationship to the size of the county in square miles.

The South Carolina Antler Records List is continually undergoing revisions and editing. Due to the size and nature of the list mistakes are inevitable. If you become aware of mistakes associated with the records list, please contact Antler Records, P.O. Box 167 Columbia, SC 29202 in writing. Proposed corrections will be considered after reviewing the original score sheet that is on file.

Comments on Score Years 2020 and 2021

Due to issues associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) was unable to conduct annual antler measuring events during the spring of 2020 and 2021. However, SCDNR staff measured antlers on a one-on-one basis by appointment in agency offices in 2021. These efforts revealed 222 new records including 211 typical and 11 non-typical racks. Of the 222 records, 150 were taken during the 2019 or 2020 deer seasons.

The top typical buck was a 152 4/8-inch Abbeville County buck taken by Roger Garren, Sr. in October of 1991 followed by two 152 3/8-inch bucks taken by Ronnie Powell in Florence County in October of 2019 and Brett Montgomery in Fairfield County in October of 2018. Leading the non-typical category was a Williamsburg County buck netting 181 1/8-inch taken by Lewis Hemingway in October of 2019 and a 169 3/8-inch buck taken by Bruce Hinton in Greenville County in November of 2019.

Anderson and Horry counties tied for the greatest number of record entries with 16 each, followed by Aiken County with 12, Florence with 11 and Spartanburg with 10. As far as all-time leaders at the county level, Aiken County remains at number one with 541 entries followed by Orangeburg 529, Anderson 303, Fairfield 303, and Williamsburg with 269 entries. On the other hand, if you account for the size of the county the top counties per unit area of record book bucks are Anderson, Aiken, Abbeville, Orangeburg, and Allendale.

Although some of the top counties have relatively high deer populations, some of these counties have more moderate numbers. It is important that hunters and land managers understand how the density of deer in an area affects the quality of the animals. Areas with fewer deer typically have better quality animals because natural food availability and nutritional quality is higher. Good nutrition is important in producing good antlers, but deer reproduction, recruitment and survival are also directly tied to nutrition. South Carolina's deer herd is in good condition, and after many years of rapid population growth the herd stabilized in the mid-1990s followed by a decreasing trend between 2003 and 2015. Since 2015 the population has been stable to slightly increasing. Statewide population estimates put the deer herd at about 720,000 animals with an estimated harvest of approximately 190,000 each of the last few years. Although the total deer harvest in South Carolina has been down the last few years, indications from the antler records program are that deer quality remains good. This would make sense because fewer deer in the population would benefit from increased nutrition.

South Carolina hunters should recognize that harvesting potential Boone and Crockett bucks is not a common occurrence anywhere in the country. This is particularly evident if you consider that there are only about 15,000 white-tailed deer records listed by Boone and Crockett, which includes entries dating to the 1800s. Similarly, the harvest of deer in the United States in recent years has been about 6 million per year. Essentially, the average hunter stands a better chance of being struck by lightning in their life than harvesting one of these record deer.



South Carolina Typical White-Tailed Deer



Entries for the 2020 and 2021 Scoring Periods
Minimum Score: 125

Score Period Rank	Score	Hunter	County	Date Taken	All Time Rank
1	152 4/8	Roger A Garren Sr	Abbeville	10/1/1991	145
2	152 3/8	Ronnie D Powell	Florence	10/18/2019	151
3	151 3/8	Brett Montgomery	Faifield	10/12/2018	176
4	151 2/8	Carter J Leggett	Dorchester	12/20/2014	182
5	149	Bryan S Crocker	Greenville	12/31/2020	258
6	148	Ronnie D Hair	Allendale	11/22/2018	308
7	147 7/8	Mark A Waters	Colleton	11/7/2020	320
8	147 6/8	Robert Johnson	Orangeburg	10/23/2018	328
9	146 5/8	Chris Myers	Anderson	11/16/2020	386
10	145 7/8	Brian D Brown	Anderson	10/24/2018	429
11	145 1/8	Dillon C O'Dell	Laurens	11/12/2020	496
12	144 7/8	Dale P Looper	Barnwell	11/8/2019	517
13	144 2/8	Jake J Fulmer	Kershaw	10/11/2020	569
14	143 6/8	Robert Malyuk	Colleton	10/8/2019	613
15	143 4/8	Kevin L Kelley	Oconee	12/10/2020	641
16	143 2/8	Robbie J Rabon	Aiken	10/26/2020	666
17	143	John D Kinard III	Marlboro	10/21/2020	693
18	142 7/8	James A Lusk	Anderson	12/3/2019	707
19	142 5/8	Larry A Rhoden	Spartanburg	10/12/2018	750

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20	142 4/8	Joshua G Carter	Jasper	11/7/2020	766
21	142 2/8	Raven Ginn Polk	Hampton	9/25/2020	803
21	142 2/8	Annah D Brown	Anderson	9/14/2019	803
23	141 5/8	Claud Robertson	Greenville	11/8/2019	875
23	141 5/8	Brian White	Oconee	11/17/2018	875
25	141 2/8	Jake D Smith	Lexington	11/21/2019	923
26	140 6/8	Brandon L Brown	Horry	9/3/2020	1005
27	140 5/8	Tripp Cobb	Kershaw	9/3/2018	1022
28	140 4/8	Johnny D Tadlock	Chesterfield	11/26/2019	1044
29	140 3/8	James W Burns	Laurens	11/28/2020	1067
30	140 1/8	John E Stillwell	Orangeburg	10/26/2018	1101
31	140	Mitch D Reeves	Greenwood	10/12/2019	1123
32	139 5/8	Brandon Emory	Spartanburg	1/1/2021	1181
32	139 5/8	Jerry C Hurley	Allendale	11/23/2018	1181
32	139 5/8	Jack M Cantey III	Calhoun	12/18/2015	1181
35	139 4/8	Jonathon M Godwin	Williamsburg	11/10/2018	1202
35	139 4/8	Jake E Carter	Bamberg	9/28/2018	1202
37	139 1/8	Mattheu Milford	Abbeville	11/1/2018	1273
38	138 7/8	Barrett W Thurmond	Aiken	8/31/2019	1323
39	138 6/8	William G Fleming	Abbeville	10/28/2018	1350
39	138 6/8	Seth Hunter Morris	Orangeburg	11/14/2015	1350
41	138 5/8	James R Stepp	Florence	10/1/2019	1371
42	138 2/8	Mark Roper	Bamberg	10/4/2019	1443
42	138 2/8	David Drew	Darlington	11/11/2018	1443
44	138	Found - Brandon Smith	Marlboro	3/30/2021	1496
44	138	Preston C Weaver	Spartanburg	11/9/2019	1496
46	137 7/8	Gordon D Slaton	Fairfield	11/9/2020	1527
46	137 7/8	Derrick R Jordan	Horry	10/30/2019	1527
48	137 6/8	Kayson E Ard	Lee	11/9/2018	1555
49	137 4/8	Elery P Richie	Darlington	9/4/2020	1614
50	136 7/8	John W Baker	Sumter	10/20/2020	1760
50	136 7/8	Travis J Kreuzberger	Oconee	11/23/2018	1760

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50	136 7/8	Forrest Holton	Lancaster	10/14/2018	1760
53	136 6/8	Daniel J Outlaw	Edgefield	11/23/2019	1793
54	136 5/8	Carson A Lee	Williamsburg	10/11/2018	1823
55	136 4/8	Robert C Owens	Oconee	12/3/2020	1858
55	136 4/8	Aaron W Rentz IV	Sumter	10/16/2019	1858
57	136 3/8	Jenna E Miller	Anderson	10/5/2019	1885
57	136 3/8	Joseph A Collins	Greenwood	11/16/2018	1885
59	135 7/8	Keith S Dennis	York	12/24/2018	2022
60	135 6/8	Amy Davis	Anderson	10/18/2020	2055
61	135 5/8	Michael S Highsmith Jr	Horry	10/31/2020	2090
61	135 5/8	Ben Reed	Anderson	12/1/2019	2090
63	135 4/8	Bruce W Osborne	Chester	10/19/2018	2116
63	135 4/8	James R Brigman	Williamsburg	9/1/2018	2116
65	135 1/8	Kenneth E Loggins	Abbeville	10/22/2018	2215
66	134 5/8	John R Bowen	Oconee	12/2/2019	2371
67	134	Stephen A Bolt	Oconee	11/14/2020	2569
67	134	Charles L Thomas	Barnwell	11/1/1981	2569
69	133 7/8	Travis Overcash	Aiken	11/9/2019	2610
69	133 7/8	Dylan A Tarlton	Florence	10/12/2019	2610
71	133 5/8	Barry A Watson	Horry	12/26/2020	2708
71	133 5/8	Brent Comer	Marlboro	10/10/2020	2708
71	133 5/8	Max Johnson	Anderson	10/29/2019	2708
74	133 3/8	Chris Talley	Pickens	11/3/2020	2812
74	133 3/8	John P Mimms	Darlington	10/31/2020	2812
76	133 2/8	Winn H McCaskill	Kershaw	10/21/2020	2849
76	133 2/8	Shawn R Smith	Orangeburg	11/16/2019	2849
78	133 1/8	Austin E Talley	Spartanburg	12/7/2007	2909
79	132 7/8	Elwood Cheverie	Aiken	10/17/2018	3000
80	132 6/8	Gene O Bradley	Spartanburg	11/9/2019	3054
81	132 4/8	Chad S Owens	Darlington	11/3/2020	3158
81	132 4/8	David Ross	Clarendon	11/13/2019	3158
81	132 4/8	Andrew G Welch	Horry	11/1/2019	3158

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84	132 3/8	Daron Smith	Horry	10/13/2020	3219
85	132 2/8	Tony Wright	Horry	9/5/2020	3264
85	132 2/8	Found - Allen Cantrell	Aiken	12/16/2016	3264
87	132 1/8	Edward L Mathews	Chester	10/22/2020	3311
87	132 1/8	John Wayne Alexander	Greenville	11/3/2019	3311
89	132	Gundry Family	Anderson	10/15/2019	3359
90	131 5/8	Lee E Vandevander	Sumter	10/20/2019	3521
91	131 4/8	Beck E Coggsall	Williamsburg	8/29/2020	3582
92	131 3/8	Daron Smith	Horry	12/3/2020	3651
92	131 3/8	Anthony Ittleson	Colleton	10/14/2019	3651
94	131 2/8	Michael W Jackson	Pickens	10/7/2020	3694
94	131 2/8	James M Gillam	Bamberg	10/18/2017	3694
96	131 1/8	Kelley E Reynolds	Florence	9/1/2019	3755
96	131 1/8	David C Carson	Abbeville	10/25/2018	3755
96	131 1/8	Jerry A Lee	Florence	10/12/2018	3755
96	131 1/8	Elliott F Gilmer	Anderson	10/21/2017	3755
100	131	Brian T Gunter	Pickens	11/4/2020	3817
100	131	Richard D Bishop	Greenville	11/8/2019	3817
102	130 6/8	Alfred L Penfield	Chesterfield	11/18/2019	3940
102	130 6/8	Trae E Robinson	Florence	9/6/2019	3940
102	130 6/8	P J Whitten	Orangeburg	9/3/2019	3940
105	130 5/8	Brian J Atkinson	Marion	12/9/2019	4005
106	130 4/8	Douglas E Crocker	Pickens	12/12/2019	4049
106	130 4/8	William A Fowler	Spartanburg	10/20/2017	4049
108	130 3/8	Preston Stackhouse	Dillon	11/18/2020	4119
108	130 3/8	Norman Howard	Florence	10/17/2020	4119
108	130 3/8	Cephus Gregg	Sumter	10/26/2019	4119
108	130 3/8	Jason Howell	Aiken	10/12/2019	4119
108	130 3/8	Carroll D Burgess	Cherokee	10/10/2019	4119
113	130 2/8	James W Barnes	Sumter	11/21/2019	4177
114	130 1/8	Michael Travelstead	Anderson	11/21/2020	4248
114	130 1/8	Jaime W Deaver	Marlboro	11/16/2020	4248
114	130 1/8	Sandy McConnell	Spartanburg	12/1/2019	4248

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117	129 7/8	Patrick G Sturgis	York	11/2/2019	4372
117	129 7/8	Joshua Blake Hart	Jasper	10/21/2019	4372
119	129 6/8	Daniel C Davis	Hampton	10/4/2020	4428
119	129 6/8	Charles Keith Blackwell	Aiken	11/11/2019	4428
121	129 5/8	Found - Bradley M Rabon	Horry	12/14/2019	4493
121	129 5/8	Nathan R Kanagy	Barnwell	1/1/2018	4493
123	129 4/8	Richard L Leonard	Colleton	12/1/2019	4544
123	129 4/8	Ervin Weaver Jr	Bamberg	10/27/2018	4544
123	129 4/8	Joe A Buddin Jr	Sumter	11/21/2008	4544
126	129 3/8	Ambree A Deaver	Marlboro	11/22/2020	4608
126	129 3/8	Steve Joy	Clarendon	10/21/2019	4608
128	129 1/8	Lin Houck	Bamberg	11/16/2020	4727
128	129 1/8	Donald S Turbeville	Chester	10/7/2020	4727
128	129 1/8	Christopher Campbell	Horry	11/13/2019	4727
128	129 1/8	Charles M Fleming	Abbeville	11/12/2018	4727
132	129	Jason Berry	Greenville	11/9/2019	4790
133	128 7/8	Thomas E Powell	Mccormick	11/9/2019	4856
134	128 5/8	Hunter T Chestnut	Horry	10/3/2019	5012
135	128 4/8	Leland O Morris Jr	Georgetown	11/16/2020	5078
135	128 4/8	Martin B Culbertson	Laurens	11/2/2019	5078
137	128 3/8	John B Jeffcoat	Florence	10/5/2019	5155
137	128 3/8	David F Halopoff	Hampton	11/8/2016	5155
139	128 2/8	John W Murphy	Barnwell	12/5/2018	5214
139	128 2/8	Brian W Hunnicutt	Oconee	10/1/2018	5214
141	128 1/8	George H Widener	Orangeburg	9/30/2020	5286
141	128 1/8	Found - Allen Cantrell	Aiken	2/7/2020	5286
141	128 1/8	Lewey Spencer	Lancaster	11/10/2019	5286
141	128 1/8	Alfred L Penfield	Dillon	11/8/2019	5286
141	128 1/8	Daniel C Hewitt	Lee	11/1/2019	5286
141	128 1/8	Wayne E Masterson	Hampton	12/31/2017	5286
147	127 6/8	Kyle E Spence	Calhoun	12/2/2020	5498
147	127 6/8	Timothy C Anderson	Horry	11/28/2020	5498

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147	127 6/8	Ralph M Williams	Edgefield	11/14/2019	5498
147	127 6/8	Found - Bruce A Fowler	Lancaster	9/1/2019	5498
147	127 6/8	David B Casey Jr	Orangeburg	10/26/2018	5498
152	127 4/8	Elery P Richie	Darlington	12/19/2020	5642
152	127 4/8	Ryan Snell	Greenville	10/12/2020	5642
152	127 4/8	Cecil J Stewart	Oconee	11/13/2019	5642
152	127 4/8	Jason S Moore	Edgefield	11/8/2019	5642
152	127 4/8	Sidney E Dudley Sr	Aiken	11/25/2015	5642
157	127 3/8	Curtis W Cooper	Florence	10/31/2020	5726
157	127 3/8	Edward L Mathews	Lancaster	12/6/2019	5726
157	127 3/8	Jack C Morris	Lee	12/22/2017	5726
160	127 2/8	Seth D Owens	Anderson	11/2/2018	5797
160	127 2/8	Lonnie Belding	Williamsburg	10/20/2008	5797
162	127 1/8	Stan Kenimer	Williamsburg	10/26/2019	5886
162	127 1/8	Randy Hopkins	Anderson	11/11/2018	5886
162	127 1/8	Christopher Campbell	Horry	10/30/2018	5886
165	127	Charles W Carter	Sumter	11/3/2020	5953
165	127	Lynn Berry Singleton	Kershaw	10/1/2013	5953
167	126 7/8	Chris Blanton	Horry	12/5/2020	6035
167	126 7/8	Stanley R Griffin	Spartanburg	10/23/2018	6035
167	126 7/8	Josh D Haney	Anderson	10/1/2018	6035
170	126 6/8	Robert G Alexander	Oconee	11/16/2019	6115
170	126 6/8	Harry Michael Jackson	Marion	10/3/2019	6115
172	126 5/8	Joseph F Dodgins	Mccormick	12/1/2019	6199
173	126 4/8	Joshua R Mcdaniel	Horry	10/15/2020	6264
174	126 3/8	Richard A Hodge III	Marion	10/17/2019	6345
174	126 3/8	Andrew Nelson	Greenwood	10/11/2018	6345
174	126 3/8	Jeff M Fralick Jr	Sumter	8/16/2018	6345
174	126 3/8	Edward Coto III	Allendale	11/3/2017	6345
174	126 3/8	Jimmy Todd Moore	Florence	11/8/2013	6345
179	126 2/8	Bradley S Wright	Calhoun	10/18/2020	6429
179	126 2/8	Nathan P Collier	Florence	9/29/2019	6429

Score Period Rank	Score	Hunter	County	Date Taken	All Time Rank
179	126 2/8	Patrick M Brady	Marion	11/3/2018	6429
182	126 1/8	Davidson Carlisle	Bamberg	11/14/2020	6509
182	126 1/8	Jimmy A Phillips	Anderson	11/1/2019	6509
182	126 1/8	Austin T Moore	Anderson	12/9/2018	6509
185	126	Kevin G Bowers	Lancaster	12/5/2020	6582
185	126	Mark Roper	Allendale	11/4/2019	6582
185	126	Christopher V Clemons	Pickens	10/19/2019	6582
185	126	Cash S Holloway	Sumter	9/19/2019	6582
185	126	Eddie Miller	Richland	11/1/2018	6582
190	125 7/8	Raymond C Ratley III	Marion	11/1/2019	6685
190	125 7/8	Charles W Trammel	Chester	11/29/2018	6685
192	125 6/8	Jeff B Laney	Fairfield	10/23/2020	6761
192	125 6/8	Tyler Bishop	Greenville	10/3/2020	6761
194	125 5/8	Nathan A Cantrell	Aiken	10/26/2019	6846
194	125 5/8	Benny G Utley	Marion	10/25/2018	6846
196	125 4/8	Hunter W Greenthaler	Aiken	10/13/2020	6916
197	125 3/8	Ricky G Martin	Horry	9/26/2020	6997
197	125 3/8	Brian K Caldwell	Spartanburg	12/20/2019	6997
197	125 3/8	Brandon J Gardner	Cherokee	10/29/2019	6997
197	125 3/8	Nancy M Gilbert	Pickens	10/16/2018	6997
197	125 3/8	Jason L McKinney	Edgefield	11/1/2011	6997
197	125 3/8	William D Brown	Williamsburg	10/28/1999	6997
203	125 2/8	Joseph B Napier Jr	Aiken	11/21/2020	7084
203	125 2/8	William E Stokes	Darlington	10/31/2020	7084
203	125 2/8	John C Suber	Fairfield	11/4/1978	7084
206	125 1/8	Charles F Reid	Richland	11/7/2020	7176
206	125 1/8	Brent D Comer	Marlboro	10/17/2019	7176
208	125	Phillip Black	Greenwood	10/13/2020	7261
208	125	Daniel H Barnes	Colleton	11/2/2019	7261
208	125	Rusty Nickles	Greenwood	12/29/2018	7261
208	125	George M Caddell II	Pickens	11/3/2018	7261

Total Typical Records Entered for 2020 and 2021 Score Periods: 211

Total Typical Records Entered All-Time: 7,378



South Carolina Non-Typical White-Tailed Deer



Entries for the 2020 and 2021 Scoring Period
Minimum Score: 145

Score Period Rank	Score	Hunter	County	Date Taken	All Time Rank
1	181 1/8	Lewis R Hemingway	Williamsburg	10/18/2019	10
2	169 3/8	Bruce Hinton	Greenville	11/25/2019	31
3	166 6/8	Eric M McGee	Chesterfield	11/22/2019	42
4	161 4/8	Mark R Wuori	Lancaster	10/27/2019	83
5	157 3/8	Kevin T Rast	Fairfield	11/4/2020	119
6	157	Kenneth B Brownlee	Laurens	9/25/2020	122
7	156 1/8	Joe A Chandler	Williamsburg	10/18/2019	132
8	150 4/8	Terry L Lucas	Lancaster	10/18/2018	216
9	148 1/8	Timothy F Smith	Laurens	10/19/2020	261
10	146 5/8	Jeff S Sharpe	Orangeburg	11/5/2019	284
11	146 4/8	John A Freeman	Spartanburg	11/20/2020	286

Total Non-Typical Records Entered for 2020 and 2021 Score Period: 11
Total Non-Typical Records Entered All-Time: 313



Top 100 All-Time South Carolina Typical White-tailed Deer



Minimum Score: 125

All Time Rank	Score	Hunter	County	Date Taken
1	176 0/8	Wyatt William C	Pickens	12/24/1994
2	173 7/8	Hoffman Randy	Calhoun	8/15/2003
3	172 0/8	Dillard Danny T	Anderson	10/23/2009
4	170 5/8	Gaskins A Hugh	Williamsburg	11/11/1998
5	169 7/8	Dover Richard K	Marion	11/29/1996
6	169 2/8	Elrod David	Pickens	10/01/2008

All Time Rank	Score	Hunter	County	Date Taken
6	169 2/8	Shuman Steve	Hampton	8/27/1987
8	168 1/8	Underwood David	Laurens	10/26/1989
9	167 6/8	Ledford Todd C	Sumter	11/15/2001
10	167 5/8	Woody David Swaney	Anderson	12/19/2015
11	167 3/8	Dubose Tristan A	Saluda	11/02/1993
12	166 6/8	Dillard Danny	Anderson	10/28/2014
13	166 3/8	Hicks Eddie	Newberry	12/14/1974
14	165 7/8	Blanton Tommy John	Saluda	11/01/2009
15	165 2/8	Ashley Avery	Greenwood	12/15/1990
16	164 0/8	Dillard Danny T	Abbeville	12/15/2011
17	163 7/8	Owen Charles W	Anderson	11/23/2006
18	163 6/8	Found-Smith Sammie D	Anderson	10/1983
19	163 0/8	Jacobs III Jesse	York	12/25/1985
20	162 7/8	Walls Gary A	Orangeburg	12/01/2009
21	162 4/8	Wise David A	Calhoun	9/12/2009
22	162 3/8	Found-USFS/SRS	Aiken	10/05/2005
23	162 1/8	Gladden Loran L	Lee	11/16/1979
24	161 6/8	Davis Chuck	Georgetown	1920
24	161 6/8	Edwards Frank	Colleton	12/1982
24	161 6/8	Meadows Dennis	York	12/1983
27	161 5/8	Found-Freeman Cary	Abbeville	
28	161 2/8	Jordan William Larry	Saluda	11/22/1991
28	161 2/8	Found-Moore John E	Orangeburg	2001
30	161 1/8	Found-Carver Judy	Oconee	10/28/1993
31	160 5/8	Burdette Scott	Anderson	12/21/1989
31	160 5/8	Mock Hunter	Allendale	10/13/2010
31	160 5/8	Sox Jay	Orangeburg	10/12/2002
34	160 2/8	James D Sims	Fairfield	11/30/2018
35	160 0/8	Found-Renaud Faye L	Lexington	10/28/1996
36	159 4/8	Chastain Dennis	Pickens	11/12/1991
36	159 4/8	Found-Prince Larry E	Spartanburg	1985
38	159 3/8	Brooks Ricky B	Laurens	10/22/2012

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39	159 2/8	Walters Iii Hugh	Dorchester	10/1971
40	159 1/8	Fulton Wendell	Williamsburg	10/19/2012
41	159 0/8	Byrd Jr E Thomas	Williamsburg	11/10/1980
41	159 0/8	Lewis Billy Lee	Colleton	10/18/1984
43	158 7/8	Found-Davis Wadie A	Saluda	
43	158 7/8	Strickland Clyde	Colleton	11/05/1993
45	158 3/8	Rivers John W	Chesterfield	9/18/2008
46	158 2/8	Sheffield Johnny W	Hampton	10/1975
47	158 1/8	Waller Vandy	Fairfield	11/15/1986
48	158 0/8	Davis Kent	Greenville	10/20/1990
49	157 7/8	Polk Ned	Chester	10/18/1986
50	157 6/8	Smith Mark	Laurens	10/21/1995
50	157 6/8	Claud Robertson	Greenville	11/7/2016
52	157 5/8	Dreher John	Richland	9/03/1982
53	157 4/8	Mcgee Mac M	Anderson	11/05/1994
54	157 3/8	Freeman Ray	Anderson	11/07/2009
54	157 3/8	Huntley Rex R	Lancaster	10/22/1991
56	156 6/8	Crews Carl H	Aiken	10/1970
56	156 6/8	Dubois Brett	Jasper	11/24/2006
56	156 6/8	Dunn G David	Aiken	11/13/1993
56	156 6/8	Lesesne Frank	Williamsburg	1960
56	156 6/8	Smith Rick	Aiken	11/05/2009
61	156 5/8	Hardee J B	Williamsburg	9/21/1978
61	156 5/8	Found-Herndon Henry H	Bamberg	1975
61	156 5/8	Shipman Wayne	Laurens	11/1975
64	156 4/8	Bartlett Frank J	Fairfield	11/14/1996
64	156 4/8	Brown William H	Spartanburg	11/15/2012
64	156 4/8	Kambeitz Carl L	Kershaw	9/30/2003
64	156 4/8	Wyatt Bill	Anderson	12/11/2013
68	156 2/8	Campbell Jr Harvey Rusty	Lee	11/1998
68	156 2/8	Driggers Rocky	Aiken	10/14/2006
70	156 1/8	Boyd Garfield	Laurens	11/03/1980

All Time Rank	Score	Hunter	County	Date Taken
70	156 1/8	Cockrell Jacky	Edgefield	10/05/1988
70	156 1/8	Haney Mitchell	Abbeville	10/1991
70	156 1/8	Smith Thomas C	Chesterfield	11/17/2007
70	156 1/8	Van D Van Quinn	Chester	11/6/2003
75	156 0/8	Found-Gaillard Ronnie	Newberry	
75	156 0/8	Moulton Marvin	Barnwell	11/08/2007
75	156	Tristan A Dubose	Saluda	10/31/2015
78	155 7/8	Roof George S	Unknown	1979
79	155 6/8	Crosland James E	Orangeburg	10/1966
79	155 6/8	Hutto Kenny	Colleton	9/25/1982
81	155 5/8	Dillard Danny T	Edgefield	10/24/2013
82	155 4/8	Bishop Michael E	Jasper	10/10/2000
82	155 4/8	Burrows Otis	Williamsburg	11/1984
82	155 4/8	Crenshaw Earnest	Lancaster	11/18/1988
82	155 4/8	Hannah Ronnie W	Greenwood	10/01/1976
82	155 4/8	Still Cannie	Barnwell	10/09/1983
82	155 4/8	Winchester Brent	Pickens	11/18/1995
88	155 3/8	Dickerson John W	Jasper	10/13/2000
88	155 3/8	McCutcheon Hermas	Florence	11/06/1976
90	155 2/8	Norris D H	Saluda	10/1976
91	155 1/8	Rochester Terry	Oconee	12/15/2007
92	155 0/8	Chapman Darryl	Edgefield	12/26/1985
92	155 0/8	Porth Donnie	Calhoun	11/01/1988
94	154 7/8	Dillard Danny T	Anderson	11/04/2012
94	154 7/8	Found-Jones Wade	Union	10/1977
94	154 7/8	Smith R David	Lexington	11/10/1995
97	154 6/8	Bell Thomas	Anderson	10/22/1988
97	154 6/8	Boozer S Wyman	Jasper	9/27/1991
97	154 6/8	Russell Porter	McCormick	11/23/2018
100	154 4/8	Collins Scott	Chester	11/11/1991
100	154 4/8	Williams Floyd L	Orangeburg	10/23/2002
100	154 4/8	Wirtz Jeremy	Oconee	12/19/2014

All Time Rank	Score	Hunter	County	Date Taken
100	154 4/8	Wyatt Bill C	Anderson	12/30/1995
100	154 4/8	Glenn A Durant	Aiken	10/22/1992

Total Typical Records All-time = 7,378



Top 50 All-Time South Carolina

Non-Typical White-tailed Deer
Minimum Score: 145



All Time Rank	Score	Hunter	County	Date Taken
1	217 7/8	Danny T Dillard	Edgefield	10/13/2016
2	208 5/8	Wood John W	Beaufort	10/1971
3	205 4/8	Means Bradley E	Edgefield	10/29/1994
4	194 4/8	Sears Billy	Mccormick	10/1973
5	187 7/8	Found-J Mixson & A Mole	Berkeley	11/20/2010
6	187 5/8	Lusk Manning	Mccormick	12/17/2004
7	187 4/8	Eargle Erwin	Lexington	9/13/1989
7	187 4/8	Roe Delton	Anderson	10/28/2004
9	184 2/8	Coombs Evin	Lexington	11/20/2009
10	181 1/8	Justin Hodges	Mccormick	11/11/2016
10	180 7/8	Lewis R Hemingway	Williamsburg	10/18/2019
12	180 4/8	Huntington Mark S	Anderson	10/31/2002
13	180 4/8	Doremus Jason M	Orangeburg	10/19/2000
13	180 3/8	Morton Randy	Chesterfield	11/22/1993
15	179 2/8	Found-Scwmrd	Marlboro	1930
16	176 5/8	Robertson Jr Charles E	Colleton	9/21/1981
17	176 3/8	William Thomas George	Hampton	11/1975
18	176 1/8	Ellis Doug	Mccormick	12/1973
19	175 2/8	Herring Mickey	Orangeburg	9/31/1997
20	173 3/8	Jacob D Buckner	Aiken	10/31/2017
21	172 6/8	Found-Johnson Michael	Oconee	11/05/1988

All Time Rank	Score	Hunter	County	Date Taken
22	172 4/8	Zeigler Harold A	Orangeburg	11/05/2007
23	172 4/8	Ledbetter Danny	Berkeley	11/24/1983
23	171 0/8	Purgason Michael T	Chester	10/27/2007
25	170 6/8	Lee Lloyd	Bamberg	12/12/1987
26	170 5/8	Fulbright Chris	Calhoun	11/04/2011
27	170 5/8	Gaskins Hugh	Williamsburg	10/30/2003
27	170 1/8	Shealy Donald	Kershaw	10/10/2003
29	169 6/8	Wilson Wade	Allendale	11/08/1997
30	169 2/8	Oneal Clark	Edgefield	10/30/2001
31	169 1/8	Bruce Hinton	Greenville	11/25/2019
32	168 6/8	Railey Eldridge	Lancaster	11/05/1984
33	167 6/8	Kirkley Jere	Anderson	10/13/2012
34	167 5/8	Ledford Todd C	Sumter	11/01/2001
35	167 4/8	Jonathan D Anders	Greenville	11/8/2015
36	167 3/8	Morris William G	Calhoun	8/15/1992
37	167 1/8	Blackwell Tony D	Oconee	12/14/2013
38	167 0/8	Fairey John L	Orangeburg	10/1961
39	166 7/8	Mccoey Steve	Darlington	10/02/2009
40	166 6/8	Schaffer Danny	Colleton	9/1974
41	166 5/8	Johnson Jr Wilburn N	Chesterfield	12/03/1983
42	166 4/8	Cromer C S	Newberry	
42	166 3/8	Eric M Mcgee	Chesterfield	11/22/2019
44	166 2/8	Rebecca R Pelletier	Orangeburg	11/2/2015
45	166 1/8	Posey Kenneth	Aiken	11/1972
46	166 1/8	Ard Richard L	Williamsburg	9/01/1976
47	166 1/8	Douglas Jeff A	Fairfield	10/20/1986
48	166	Dempsey Clyde	Calhoun	10/1970
48	165 6/8	O'Neal James B	Edgefield	11/29/1996
48	165 3/8	Wood Dale	Greenwood	10/25/1983

Total Non-Typical Records All-time = 313



South Carolina County Totals All-Time Typical and Non-Typical



County	Typical	Non-Typical	Total	Rank	Rank/ Square Mile
Abbeville	225	12	237	9	3
Aiken	528	13	541	1	2
Allendale	201	12	213	10	5
Anderson	298	6	304	3	1
Bamberg	169	6	175	16	7
Barnwell	234	6	240	8	8
Beaufort	35	1	36	45	38
Berkeley	126	8	134	28	40
Calhoun	172	14	186	13	6
Charleston	49	0	49	43	45
Cherokee	29	5	34	46	42
Chester	114	6	120	33	31
Chesterfield	172	10	182	15	24
Clarendon	110	5	115	34	33
Colleton	257	18	275	6	19
Darlington	88	2	90	37	36
Dillon	44	0	44	44	43
Dorchester	127	9	136	25	27
Edgefield	126	7	133	29	21
Fairfield	293	10	303	4	9
Florence	150	2	152	22	34
Georgetown	61	4	65	40	46
Greenville	152	6	158	20	23
Greenwood	122	4	126	32	16
Hampton	169	3	172	17	22
Horry	145	8	153	21	37
Jasper	96	5	101	35	35

County	Typical	Non-Typical	Total	Rank	Rank/ Square Mile
Kershaw	256	9	265	7	10
Lancaster	159	10	169	18	15
Laurens	195	10	205	11	14
Lee	128	5	133	29	17
Lexington	124	12	136	26	24
McCormick	87	6	93	36	29
Marion	88	1	89	38	32
Marlboro	56	1	57	42	44
Newberry	181	10	191	12	18
Oconee	177	8	185	14	13
Orangeburg	505	24	529	2	4
Pickens	143	3	146	23	12
Richland	160	3	163	19	26
Saluda	131	4	135	27	11
Spartanburg	120	7	127	31	28
Sumter	137	7	144	24	30
Union	58	1	59	41	41
Williamsburg	273	6	281	5	19
York	66	4	68	39	39
County Unknown	42	0	42	NA	NA
Totals	7,378	313	7,691	NA	NA

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEASURING TYPICAL WHITETAILED DEER

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- A. Number of points on each antler: to be counted a point, the projection must be at least one inch long, with the length exceeding width at one inch or more of length. All points are measured from tip of point to nearest edge of beam. Beam tip is counted as a point but not measured as a point.
- B. Tip to tip spread is measured between tips of main beams.
- C. Greatest spread is measured between perpendiculars at a right angle to the center line of the skull at widest part, whether across main beams or points.
- D. Inside spread of main beams is measured at a right angle to the center line of the skull at widest point between main beams. Enter this measurement again as the spread credit if it is less than or equal to the length of longer antler; if longer, enter longer antler length for spread credit.
- E. Total of lengths of all abnormal points: Abnormal points are those nontypical in location (such as points originating from a point or from bottom or sides of main beam) or extra points beyond the normal pattern of points. Measure in usual manner and enter in appropriate blanks.
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- G. 1-2-3-4-5-6-7 Length of normal points: normal points project from the top of the main beam. They are measured from nearest edge of main beam over outer curve to tip. Lay the tape along the outer curve of the beam so that the top edge of the tape coincides with top edge of the beam on both sides of the point to determine the base line for point measurements. Record point lengths in appropriate blanks.
- H. 1-2-3-4 Circumferences are taken as detailed for each measurement. If brow point is missing, take H-1 and H-2 at smallest place between burr and G-2. If G-4 is missing, take H-4 halfway between G-3 and tip of main beam.

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I certify that the whitetailed deer scored on this chart was not taken in **UNFAIR CHASE** as defined above. I further certify that it was taken in full compliance with South Carolina game laws.

Date: _____ Signature of Hunter: _____

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NON-TYPICAL WHITETAILED DEER

OWNER'S NAME _____
 Last _____ First _____ M.I. _____

ADDRESS _____
 Street, Rt., Box _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

PHONE# _____
 Home _____ Work _____

HUNTER'S NAME _____

COUNTY OF KILL _____

DATE OF KILL _____

WEAPON _____

SCORE DATE _____

SCORE LOCATION _____

SCORER _____

Age _____ Weight _____ WMA or Private _____ Quality Mgt. Area _____ E. Total of Lengths of Abnormal Points _____

Abnormal Points	
Right Antler	Left Antler
/ 8	/ 8
/ 8	/ 8
/ 8	/ 8
/ 8	/ 8
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/ 8	/ 8
/ 8	/ 8
/ 8	/ 8

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR INSTRUCTIONS				Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
A. No. Points on Right Antler	No. Points on Left Antler	B. Tip to Tip Spread	C. Greatest Spread	Spread Credit	Right Antler	Left Antler	Difference
		/ 8	/ 8	/ 8			
D. Inside Spread of Main Beams				/ 8			
F. Length of Main Beam					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
G-1. Length of First Point, if present					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
G-2. Length of Second Point					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
G-3. Length of Third Point					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
G-4. Length of Fourth Point, if present					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
G-5. Length of Fifth Point, if Present					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
G-6. Length of Sixth Point, if present					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
G-7. Length of Seventh Point, if present					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
H-1. Circumference at smallest place between Burr and First Point					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
H-2. Circumference at smallest place between First and Second Point					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
H-3. Circumference at smallest place between Second and Third Point					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
H-4. Circumference at smallest place between Third and Fourth Point					/ 8	/ 8	/ 8
TOTALS				/ 8	/ 8	/ 8	/ 8

Enter Total of Columns 1,2, and 3	/ 8
Subtract Column 4	/ 8
Subtotal	/ 8
Add (E) Total of Lengths of Abnormal Points	/ 8
Final Score	/ 8

I certify that I have measured the above trophy on (date) _____ at (address) _____ (city) _____ (State) _____ and that these measurements and date are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, made in accordance with the instructions given.

Witness: _____ Signature: _____
 B & C Official Measurer
 I.D. Number

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- V. Hunting or taking game on lands without permission or consent of landowner.

I certify that the whitetailed deer scored on this chart was not taken in **UNFAIR CHASE** as defined above. I further certify that it was taken in full compliance with South Carolina game laws.

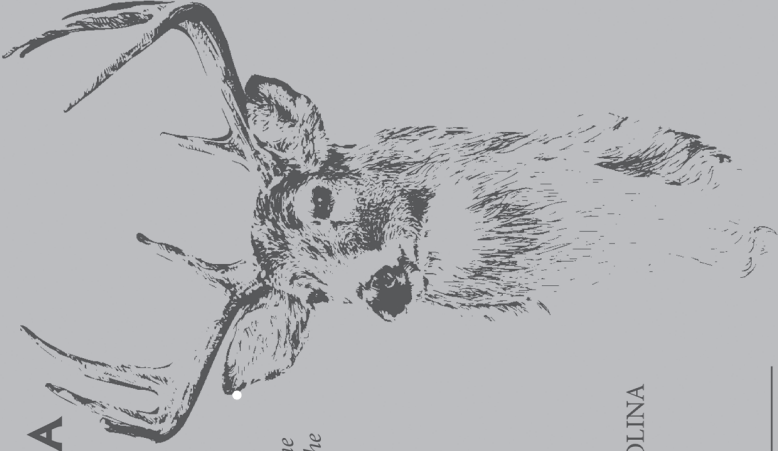
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