

Morrow County Museum and Agricultural Collection



MUSEUM: 444 North Main Street, Heppner
Museum - Open Tues-Fri 1-5, and Sat 11-3

AG EXHIBIT: 152 North Main Street, Heppner
Ag Exhibit - Open Fri 1-5, and Sat 11:30-3

MUSEUM CLOSED FOR THE SEASON Oct. 1-Feb.1

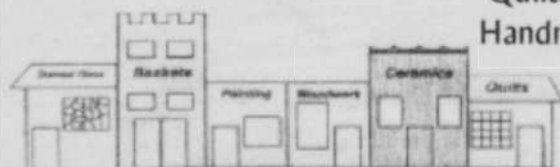
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Hunting jokes

Two hunters were dragging their dead deer back to their car. Another hunter approached pulling his along too.

"Hey, I don't want to tell you how to do something ... but I can tell you that it's much easier if you drag the deer in the other direction. Then the antlers won't dig into the ground."

After the third hunter left, the two decided to try it. A little while later one hunter said to the other, "You know, that guy was right. This is a lot easier!"

"Yeah, but we're getting farther from the truck," the other added.

The deer hunter and the scotch

Two men go deer hunting. They settle down in their stand and start waiting for the deer. This gets rapidly boring for one of them so he reaches into his backpack and withdraws a bottle of 100 proof scotch.

"Want some?" he asks his deer hunting partner.

"No, I've got to concentrate on watching for deer."

"Okay..." he says and happily drains the bottle.

They go back to watching for deer. Again, the man gets bored and gets from his backpack another bottle of scotch. "Want some," he asks again.

"No, thanks," is his reply.

"Your loss," he says and happily drains the bottle.

He's pretty sloshed by now, but goes back to help his friend watch for deer. A minute later, a single deer walks up to their stand.

"Bang!!!" goes his partners rifle.

"Missed it," his partner says.

The sloshed hunter waves his rifle in the general direction of the fleeing deer. "Bang!!!" his rifle goes. He kills the deer straight out.

"Wow," his partner said, "how did you do that?"

"Well," he replied, "when there's a whole herd of deer, you can hardly miss, can you?"

A deer hunter from the city

A deer hunter from the city bagged a big buck. Just about that time, the game warden arrived and asked the hunter if he had a hunting license and deer tag. The hunter said he didn't have a license or a tag, so the game warden had to take the hunter and the deer to town.

The game warden helped the hunter drag the 200 plus pound deer out to the road. Not that the hard work was done, the hunter exclaimed, "I just remembered, I do have a hunting license and deer tag after all."

The Umatilla National Forest includes a wide variety of coniferous forests of ponderosa, lodgepole, and western white pines; grand, subalpine, and Douglas fir; as well as Engelmann spruce and western larch. The Forest encompasses about 1.4 million acres ranging in elevation from about 1,900 feet to over 7,000 feet.

Interstate 84 roughly divides the Umatilla National Forest into two distinct areas. The north half is generally wetter with deep incised valleys and is comprised of the moist-forest tree types such as grand and subalpine firs. The southern half of the Forest is generally dryer with flat to rolling topography and supports extensive stands of lodgepole pine and park-like groves of ponderosa pines. Lower elevations across the Forest primarily consist of ponderosa pines, while mid-elevation habitats include mixed stands of grand fir, Douglas-fir, lodgepole pine and western larch trees. Above 5,000 feet there are stands of subalpine fir and Engelmann spruce.

Western white pines are usually scattered among other trees instead of occurring in pure stands, although an introduced disease, white pine blister rust, has seriously reduced its numbers. Western juniper occupies the driest and hottest forest environments in eastern Oregon, often occurring in a zone between low elevation sagebrush and ponderosa pine. Western juniper has expanded greatly in the last 50 years and is expected to become the most common forest type in Oregon. Pacific yew is generally found in the understory on moist cool sites.

In autumn, western larch or tamarack trees provide most of the fall color in the Blue Mountains since deciduous hardwood species such as quaking aspen and black cottonwood are relatively uncommon in this area. The fall color of western larch trees varies year to year from lemon yellow to a tawny, russet color.



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