

55th Annual Fall Classic

Custer State Park

BISON AUCTION

Custer State Park Visitor Center | 13438 US HWY 16A, Custer, SD

November 7, 2020 | 10 AM



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Auction Terms & Conditions

AUCTION LOCATION:

Animals will be sold via photo/video at the Custer State Park Visitor Center with live internet bidding available. Animals will be sold individually and by gate cut. See individual lots for details.

DIRECTIONS TO CUSTER STATE PARK VISITOR CENTER:

The Custer State Park Visitor Center is located at the intersection of US Highway 16A and the Wildlife Loop Road. It is approximately 14 miles east of Custer, SD and 12 miles west of Hermosa, SD.

ANIMAL VIEWING:

Showing date is Friday, November 6, 2020 and Sale day (Saturday, Nov. 7) until 9:00 a.m. at the Bison Corrals located on the Wildlife Loop Road. For other viewing times, please contact Bison Herd Manager, Chad Kremer at (605)-255-4515 to set up an appointment.

DIRECTIONS TO CORRALS FOR VIEWING AND LOADOUT:

From the CSP Visitor Center, turn left out of the parking lot and go south on the Wildlife Loop Road for 9 miles. The corrals will be on the right-hand side of the road.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

Animals will be sold in lots. Full payment is due on the day of the sale. First time buyer's must present an irrevocable bank letter of credit guaranteeing payment of any check. All bison must be loaded out by 4:30 p.m. unless alternate arrangements have been made with Custer State Park. Yardage fees after Nov. 12 will be \$5/per head/per day. CSP corrals are available for additional testing upon the buyer's request and expense. Buyers are asked to make arrangements and obtain needed permits from their home state veterinarians. Field slaughter is available upon arrangement and in a predetermined location, Monday, Nov. 9 through Friday, Nov. 13.

HEALTH:

All bison are brucellosis tested. Bison are not TB tested. If TB is required by the importing state, testing can be done at buyer's risk and expense at the Custer State Park corrals. TB animals will not be able to travel until Tuesday, Nov. 10. Health tests expire on Wednesday, Nov. 11. All calves were weaned the second week of October. All calves preconditioned with Vision 7 20/20, Pyramid 5+ Response and Cydectin pour-on dewormer. All females are Official Calfhood Vaccinates (OCV) for brucellosis unless noted. Weights were taken the second week in October and from a true test non-certified scale. No guarantees are implied.

BIDDING INFORMATION:

For information, photos and video, and to register to bid online, go to www.bradeenauction.hibid.com. For supplemental photos and videos visit the Custer State Park Bison Auction web page at gfp.sd.gov/pages/buffalo-auction/.

Welcome to the 55th Annual Fall Classic Custer State Park Bison Auction

Custer State Park staff welcomes you to the longest running bison auction in the world. For 55 years, the park has been utilizing this auction as a management tool to ensure the herd is at a size that can be supported by available rangelands and to provide bison to establish and re-populate herds across the continent.

There was once millions of bison stretched across North America, by 1900 it was estimated that fewer than 1,000 bison remained on the entire continent. Peter Norbeck often recognized as the “Father of Custer State Park,” acknowledged this situation and decided to take action to preserve what is now our National Mammal. In 1914, the park, then known as Custer State Forest and Game Sanctuary purchased 36 bison to start its herd.

Today the park manages a herd of over 1,450 bison in the summer. The park’s current management plan continues Norbeck’s dream of helping bring these magnificent animals back from near extinction. Custer State Park bison can be found in nearly every state in the U.S., as well as Canada and Mexico.



This summer moisture levels were below normal, but thanks to the generosity of the Leona M. and Harry B. Helmsley Charitable Trust our bison herd continues to expand. Following the Legion Lake Fire in December of 2017, grant money was used to aerial seed native grasses in areas the bison did not traditionally use. Aerial seeding was a success and now the bison are utilizing 4,000 acres previously not utilized. This allows the park to increase the overwinter bison population from 960 to 1,060. In our sale offering this year we are selling fewer bred cows as we grow the herd.

At our 55th annual bison roundup Governor Noem announced the building of the Custer State Park Bison Center near the bison corrals thanks to a 4-million-dollar donation by the Helmsley Charitable Trust. The Center will focus on the tenured history of the bison herd in the park. The Bison Center will educate visitors through dynamic interpretive displays and tell the origin story of the park’s bison, herd management and the annual Buffalo Roundup and Auction.

All animals sold qualify for grass fed only programs. Along with the native mixed-grass prairie grass bison are given free choice mineral. No supplemental feeding of any kind occurs during the winter.

Thank you for attending our auction and purchasing these quality animals so that Custer State Park can continue to do its part in supporting the goal of “Bison One Million”.

- Mark Hendrix, Resource Program Manager

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BRED HEIFERS & COWS - CHOICE & GATE CUT



Bred Heifers and Cows

All females are Official Calfhood Vaccinates for brucellosis (OCV).

LOT 1A - 1E - 2YO Bred Heifers - 5 head - 920 lb average

Tag #217 - Weight 965 lbs

Tag #258 - Weight 975 lbs

Tag #218 - Weight 940 lbs

Tag #243 - Weight 825 lbs

Tag #249 - Weight 895 lbs

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LOT 2 - 4 to 17YO Bred Cows - 10 head - 1037 lb average

Heaviest - 1220 pounds

Lightest - 895 pounds

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OPEN HEIFERS & COWS - LESS THAN THE LOT, GATE CUT AT LOADOUT



Open Heifers and Cows

No shots administered, so there will be no withdrawal period.

LOT 3 - 2YO Open Heifers - 12 head - 840 lb average

Heaviest - 970 pounds

Lightest - 630 pounds

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LOT 4 - 3 to 4YO Open Cows - 25 head - 930 lb average

Heaviest - 1045 pounds

Lightest - 760 pounds

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LOT 5 - 5 to 19YO Open Cows - 44 head - 1001 lb average

Heaviest - 1180 pounds

Lightest - 825 pounds

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YEARLING HEIFERS - CHOICE AND GATE CUT



2018 Yearling Heifers

All females are Official Calfhood Vaccinates for Brucellosis (OCV). Yearling heifer weight ranges from 525 pounds to 790 pounds.

LOT 6A - 6J - Yearling Heifers - 10 head - Choice - 714 lb average

Tag #204 - Weight 725 lbs

Tag #211 - Weight 790 lbs

Tag #216 - Weight 685 lbs

Tag #245 - Weight 725 lbs

Tag #257 - Weight 720 lbs

Tag #260 - Weight 695 lbs

Tag #262 - Weight 700 lbs

Tag #269 - Weight 690 lbs

Tag #271 - Weight 705 lbs

Tag #273 - Weight 710 lbs

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LOT 7 - Yearling Heifers (> 600 lbs) (Gate Cut) - 12 head - 636 lb average

Heaviest - 680 pounds

Lightest - 600 pounds

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LOT 8 - Yearling Heifers (< 600 lbs) (Gate Cut) - 19 head - 566 lb average

Heaviest - 595 pounds

Lightest - 525 pounds

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HEIFER CALVES - LESS THAN THE LOT, GATE CUT AT LOADOUT



2020 Heifer Calves, weaned the second week of October

All calves preconditioned with Vision 7 20/20, Pyramid 5+ Response and Cydectin pour on dewormer. Calf weights range from 320 to 406 pounds.

LOT 9 - Heifer Calves (Heavy) - 15 head - 378 lb average

Heaviest - 406 pounds

Lightest - 366 pounds

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LOT 10 - Heifer Calves (Light) - 51 head - 338 lb average

Heaviest - 364 pounds

Lightest - 320 pounds

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BULL CALVES - LESS THAN THE LOT, GATE CUT AT LOADOUT



2020 Bull Calves, weaned the second week of October.

All calves preconditioned with Vision 7 20/20, Pyramid 5+ Response and Cydectin pour on dewormer. Calf weights range from 300 to 438 pounds.

LOT 11 - Bull Calves (Heavy) - 59 head - 389 lb average

Heaviest - 438 pounds

Lightest - 370 pounds

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LOT 12 - Bull Calves (Light) - 79 head - 339 lb average

Heaviest - 366 pounds

Lightest - 300 pounds

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YEARLING BULLS - LESS THAN THE LOT, GATE CUT AT LOADOUT



2019 Yearling Bulls

Yearling bulls weight ranges from 535 to 845 pounds.

LOT 13 - Yearling Bulls (> 679 lbs) - 50 head - 732 lb average

Heaviest - 845 pounds

Lightest - 680 pounds

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LOT 14 - Yearling Bulls (< 679 lbs) - 31 head - 617 lb average

Heaviest - 675 pounds

Lightest - 535 pounds

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TWO YEAR OLD GRADE BULLS - LESS THAN THE LOT, GATE CUT AT
LOADOUT



2018 Two Year Old Grade Bulls

Failed breeding soundness evaluation. Grade bulls have been semen and brucellosis tested.
Weights range from 920 pounds to 1,165 pounds.

LOT 15 - Grade Bulls - 8 head - 1093 lb average

Heaviest - 1165 pounds

Lightest - 920 pounds

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LOT 16A - Tag 191 - 2YO Breeding Bull (Choice) - 1135 lbs

OCT 2018	OCT 2019	2019	OCT 2020	2020	2 YEAR	SEMEN	SCROTAL
WEIGHT	WEIGHT	ADG	WEIGHT	ADG	ADG	TEST	CIRCUM.
N/A	N/A	N/A	1135	N/A	N/A	Average	29.5 cm



Breeding bulls have been semen and brucellosis tested.

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LOT 16B - Tag 239 - 2YO Breeding Bull (Choice) - 1150 lbs

OCT 2018	OCT 2019	2019	OCT 2020	2020	2 YEAR	SEMEN	SCROTAL
WEIGHT	WEIGHT	ADG	WEIGHT	ADG	ADG	TEST	CIRCUM.
N/A	N/A	N/A	1150	N/A	N/A	Excellent	28 cm



Breeding bulls have been semen and brucellosis tested.

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LOT 16C - Tag 263 - 2YO Breeding Bull (Choice) - 1115 lbs

OCT 2018	OCT 2019	2019	OCT 2020	2020	2 YEAR	SEMEN	SCROTAL
WEIGHT	WEIGHT	ADG	WEIGHT	ADG	ADG	TEST	CIRCUM.
N/A	N/A	N/A	1115	N/A	N/A	Excellent	30 cm



Breeding bulls have been semen and brucellosis tested.

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LOT 16D - Tag 268 - 2YO Breeding Bull (Choice) - 1140 lbs

OCT 2018	OCT 2019	2019	OCT 2020	2020	2 YEAR	SEMEN	SCROTAL
WEIGHT	WEIGHT	ADG	WEIGHT	ADG	ADG	TEST	CIRCUM.
N/A	N/A	N/A	1140	N/A	N/A	Excellent	27 cm



Breeding bulls have been semen and brucellosis tested.

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LOT 16E - Tag 271 - 2YO Breeding Bull (Choice) - 1100 lbs

OCT 2018	OCT 2019	2019	OCT 2020	2020	2 YEAR	SEMEN	SCROTAL
WEIGHT	WEIGHT	ADG	WEIGHT	ADG	ADG	TEST	CIRCUM.
N/A	N/A	N/A	1100	N/A	N/A	Excellent	27 cm



Breeding bulls have been semen and brucellosis tested.

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LOT 16F - Tag 279 - 2YO Breeding Bull (Choice) - 1075 lbs

OCT 2018	OCT 2019	2019	OCT 2020	2020	2 YEAR	SEMEN	SCROTAL
WEIGHT	WEIGHT	ADG	WEIGHT	ADG	ADG	TEST	CIRCUM.
N/A	N/A	N/A	1075	N/A	N/A	Excellent	30 cm



Breeding bulls have been semen and brucellosis tested.

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56th Annual Governor's Buffalo Roundup

Friday, Sept. 24, 2021

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to all 2020 buyers at the
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