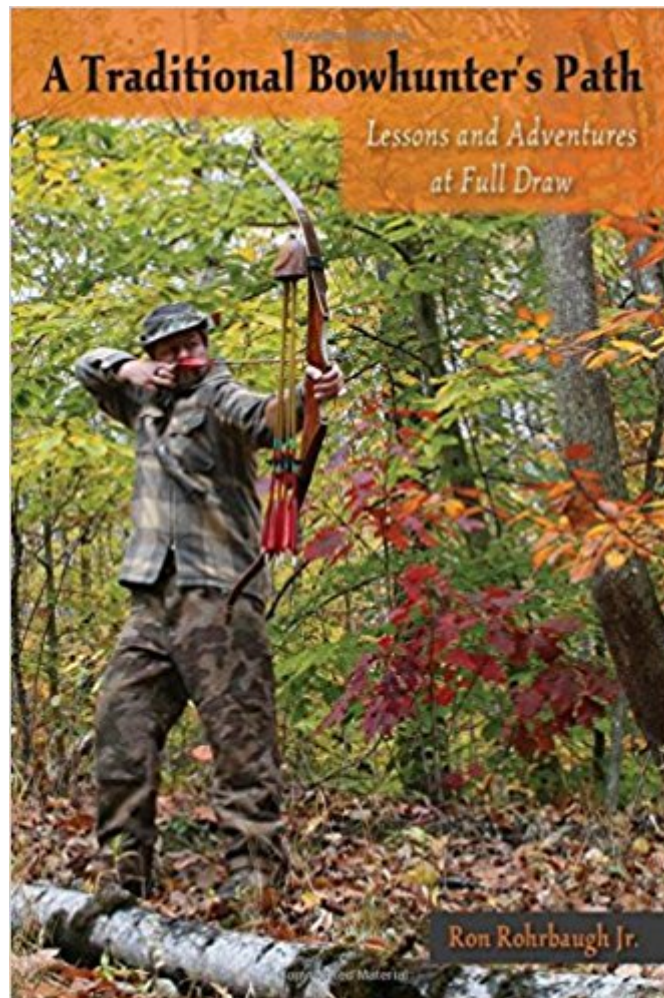




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# A Traditional Bowhunter's Path: Lessons And Adventures At Full Draw



## Synopsis

This guide to traditional bowhunting with a longbow or recurve combines the best of both worlds for beginners and veteran bowhunters. How-to chapters share hard-earned wisdom that will help you perfect your skills and get close to your game, while engaging stories tell of the author's experiences hunting white-tailed deer in the east, chasing big game in the American West, and trekking to South Africa in search of Greater Kudu and other plains game. Throughout, the author highlights archery's traditional spirit by exploring the history and craft of bowhunting and chronicles the challenges faced by today's bowhunters in continuing their important role as hunter-conservationists. As a professional wildlife biologist, Ron Rohrbaugh Jr. also provides valuable information on wildlife ecology and behavior that is instructive for all those interested in increasing their success with archery tackle. Specific shooting techniques for hunting situations, ways to set up effective ambush sites for big game, and dealing with the stresses of "buck fever." The latest information on equipment and arrows, including the pros and cons of various bow styles and arrow shaft materials. Advice on using the wind, hunting bedding areas, creating effective scent trails, and understanding why and how deer move. Discussion of controversial topics, such as baiting and trophy hunting.

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Ron Rohrbaugh Jr. is a full-time conservation biologist at Cornell University and a founding member

and co-chair of the New York chapter of Backcountry Hunters & Anglers. He has been a traditional bowhunter for twenty years. He writes for Traditional Bowhunter and Bowhunter magazines. He lives in Van Etten, New York.

Fill your trad spirit with info for all archers. Whether you're new or experienced with traditional gear there are many points you can never hear enough times. Enjoyed the hunting lessons/tails shared and Ron's commitment to conservation.

Great book! Well written! Authors writing style is unique and takes the reader on his personal traditional hunting journey! Shares stories of hunts, techniques and people met along the way! I highly recommend this book!

I bought this book after listening to Ron on the MeatEater podcast in which he inspired me to get into traditional archery. The book does a great job at explaining basic and more advanced aspects of traditional archery. Without going too far into one specific subject. Very well written, great pictures and excellent advice on hunting tactics, gear etc. Very happy. Will read it many more times.

Excellent book covering traditional archery and hunting tips. Ron is a fantastic writer and the book flows perfectly from instructional to story telling. Definitely recommend it!

Very well written. Would highly recommend for the traditional bow hunter.

good read great info

Read a brief introduction on Clay Hayes website and felt compelled to buy this great book. It's wonderfully written with traditional equipment hunting stories, both successful and some not. Great descriptions on recovering lost game. I like the fact that the author is a conservation biologist and you get an insight into the importance of hunting for ecological reasons. There's a lot to hunting when we slow down and enjoy the entirety of the wilds. It's a wonderful book from a true trad hunter and his years in the field all over the globe. Really enjoyed a chapter written about his hunting experience with his aging father. And hats off to anyone hunting Africa with a recurve when you're a long way down the the food chain!

As a new hunter I have read many bowhunting books recently, and I have to say that *A Traditional Bowhunter's Path* has been the most helpful. There are chapters on topics that are rarely talked about in hunting books such as how to use field guides to better understand habitat, and hunting from the ground which is often overlooked. There is also a refreshing conservation spirit that prevails throughout the entire book. Don't think that this book is only for those shooting a traditional bow, personally I shoot a compound for now.

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