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“Photography Day with the Bighorns”

One Day Only - December 16, 2017

Workshop Itinerary

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Where: Dubois, Wyoming (pronounced *dew-boyz*)

When: Dec 16, 2017, 7:30 am - 3:00 pm

Participants: Minimum 7 / Maximum 15

Investment: \$150 pp (Bagged lunch, extra \$13.00 pp at time of booking)

Join the **National Bighorn Sheep Center** and professional photographer **Sandy Zelasko** for a day of winter bighorn sheep photography in the Whiskey Basin of the Wind River Mountain Range.

Improve your overall knowledge of one of the largest wintering wild sheep herds in North America while fine tuning your photographic skills in winter environments. Learn why depth of field is an important tool when photographing wildlife and conquer exposure in snow conditions. Never be fooled by your camera’s metering system again!

Transportation to all viewing spots is included in the cost of the workshop. Bagged lunch is available for an additional fee.

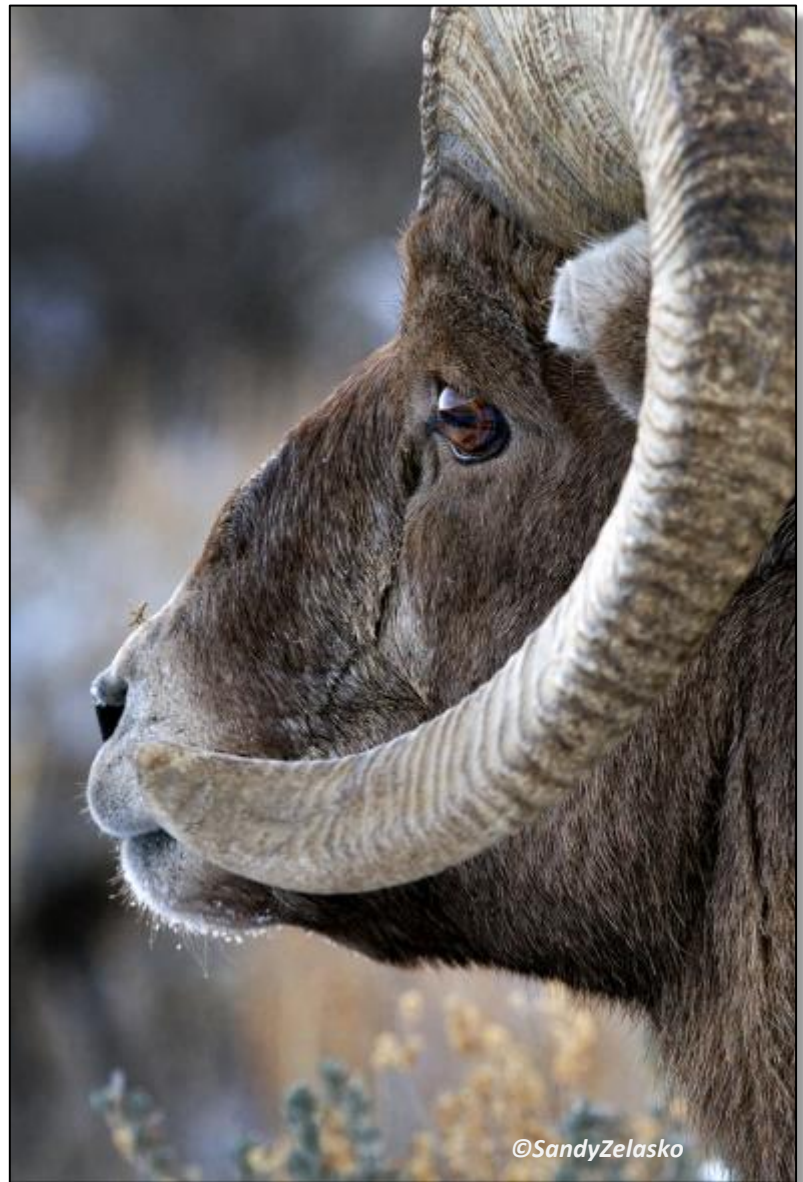
The **National Bighorn Sheep Center** is dedicated to educating people about bighorn sheep and the conservation of wildlife and wild lands.

Sandy Zelasko is recognized for her partnership with non-profits throughout the western states. Working as a freelance nature photographer she strives to give wildlife the voice they deserve. You can view images and a workshop schedule at InvestInNature.org.

INTRODUCTION

The Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep is the largest wild sheep inhabiting North America. A large ram (a male sheep) may weigh over 300 pounds and stand over 42 inches tall at the shoulder. They are generally a dark brown to gray/brown color with a white rump patch, muzzle and back of legs. Their coats may appear considerably lighter in spring before the winter coat is shed revealing the darker summer coat beneath. Rams have horns that are massive and tightly curled close to the face. A ewe (a female sheep) will have smaller shorter horns that curve only slightly. Ewes typically weigh 125-150 pounds. Rocky Mountain Bighorns are found in British Columbia and Alberta, Canada and in the western United States south to New Mexico.

Dubois, Wyoming is located in the snow shadow of the Wind River Range and is privileged to have one of the world's largest wintering herds of Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep. The Whiskey Mountain Habitat Area, the primary winter range of the bighorn sheep, is open wind-swept country and prime habitat for the herds. Winter tours provide a wonderful opportunity to view and photograph area wildlife.



Glacier-fed Torrey Creek tumbles out of the mountains and feeds the valley's chain of three lakes – Torrey, Ring and Trail – which formed behind natural rock dams left by glaciers. At Torrey Creek, willow-lined banks provide food and shelter for moose and provide opportunities to see the occasional beaver.

A group of Mountain Shoshone called the Sheepeaters migrated through the area leaving relics of their existence in the mountains and valleys around Dubois. Prehistoric petroglyphs can be seen and photographed at specific places along Trail Lake Road.

The town of Dubois has seen the likes of Butch Cassidy, Charles Moore and other colorful personalities. A significant portion of its residents today are writers, artists, photographers, musicians and songwriters. Wooden boardwalk streets line Main Street and lead to local businesses festively decorated for the season.

Sandy Zelasko, DBA Sandra Lee Photography is an authorized permittee with the National Park Service, US Fish & Wildlife and California State Parks and maintains a CUA for the purpose of field guided photography instruction.

TRIP INFORMATION

Photography Day with the Bighorn photography workshop is a one day workshop scheduled for Saturday, December 16, 2017 beginning at 7:30 am, ending at 3:00 pm. Photographers and wildlife enthusiasts of all levels are encouraged to participate. Although we will be primarily photographing bighorn sheep, we will stop to photograph other wildlife as they present themselves.

Please plan to arrive at the National Bighorn Sheep Center at 907 W Ramshorn, Dubois, WY 82513 early to check in and take care of last minute preparations. An orientation will include participant introductions, discussion on safety and ethics of winter environs, logistics of the outings and your goals for the workshop.

If you are visiting from out of town, plan your trip to include a stay beyond the scope of this workshop and explore the surrounding scenery and historic cowboy town. You can reserve and pick up a rental car at the nearest commercial airport in Jackson Hole, Wyoming (JAC). It is an approximate 80 miles or two-hour drive to reach Dubois. Here is a link to google maps, <https://goo.gl/maps/bSvbX67MHZE2>.

Dubois has a hometown grocery store, gasoline, lodging, eateries and a selection of small businesses. There are a number lodging choices. Here is a link to help you decide, <http://duboiswyoming.org/inns/>.

Your instructors have an exciting workshop planned for you; however, note that activities may fluctuate in response to weather, availability of animals, client safety and/or desires of the group. A lunch break in the field is scheduled. It is recommended you purchase a bagged lunch (at the time of booking) and bring water and snacks for a long day. Please be courteous to your fellow participants and be on time.



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WORKSHOP DETAILS

Your Investment: \$150 per person – 15 participants maximum / 7 participants minimum. Note: In the event there are less than 7 participants, we have the right to cancel this workshop. You are always welcome to check with us BEFORE making airline reservations if you have a question about attendance.

Start date/end date: Saturday, December 16, 2017

Payment in full is due at booking to hold your spot in the workshop. Make your payment out to Sandra Lee Photography and mail to 15864 Severino Lane, Valley Center, CA 92082 or call 760-749-2174 to process your credit card. Visa, MasterCard, cash, check or money order are all acceptable forms of payment.

What is included:

- Two instructors/trip leaders, Sandy Zelasko and a representative from the National Bighorn Sheep Center.
- Field session, photography instruction, area history and bighorn sheep behavior interpretation.
- Combined 30+ years of bighorn sheep photography and instructional classes.

Not included:

- Lodging, airfare, transportation and meals.
- Trip insurance. You are encouraged to purchase trip insurance in case of an unforeseen emergency which requires you to cancel.

Cancellation policy:

- Cancellations 30 days prior to workshop, full refund, less \$50 processing fee (Nov 16, 2017).
- Cancellations 29 days or less prior to the start of the workshop are non-refundable.

RESOURCES

To help plan your trip, visit the Destination Dubois website at <http://duboismyoming.org>. Workshop dates were selected for peak bighorn sheep activity. Below are a few helpful links for planning your trip.

Additional attractions in the region:

- **National Bighorn Sheep Center** - <http://www.bighorn.org>
- **Dubois Museum** - <https://fremontcountymuseums.com/dubois/>
- **Wind River Country** - <https://windriver.org>
- **Galleries** - <http://gkeimigart.blogspot.com>, <http://tomlucas.us>
- **Gifts and Souvenirs** - http://duboismyoming.org/the_specials/gifts-souvenirs/

Suggested packing:

- A detailed suggested packing list and suggested equipment list will be sent upon booking.

If you have questions, please feel free call Sandy at 760-749-2174.

"We know you have many choices when it comes to photography workshops so it is only fitting to thank you for considering Sandra Lee Photography for your next photography adventure."

Thank you,
Sandy Zelasko