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Big Buck Photo Contest

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Want to show off this year's buck? Submit your photos to us for a chance to win a Yeti 64 oz Rambler. Here's how the contest works:

The photo with the most likes on the Beyond The Backyard Facebook page wins! All pictures must be received by December 8, 2017 to be entered into this contest. Contest begins December 11, 2017 and ends December 15, 2017. Winners will be announced on the Beyond The Backyard Facebook page on December 16, 2017. Contest is for BTB members only. You can register on our website for free. One entry per BTB member. Must be a recent picture from 2017.

There are three ways to enter the contest:

- 1. Post the picture with the member's name to our Facebook at www.facebook.com/beyondthebackyard
- 2. Send the picture along with the member's name through our website at www.beyondthebackyard.org
- 3. E-mail the picture and member's name to tbartlett@beyondthebackyard.org

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Top Five Compound Bows for Hunters on a Budget



Outdoor Life recently tested and ranked some great bows that just happen to also be great bargains. Here are their top five:

#1 - OBSESSION TURMOIL

Yes, this is a smooth, fast machine. But Obsession has produced plenty of those. So why the special attention? The price tag. The Obsession sells for \$699.

#2 - BASS PRO SHOPS BLACKOUT S3

The bow sells for \$549.97, which is a fair price for this excellent bow built with BowTech technologies including their vaunted binary cam system. But that \$550 price tag includes more than just the bow. You get everything you need to hunt — a sight, rest, quiver, D-loop, and stabilizer.

#3 - MISSION BALLISTIC 2.0

Mission Archery is the price-focused arm of Mathews. Thus it stands to reason that Mission bows are pretty darned good. And they are. But, many of the models feature superadjustability in bow draw lengths and draw weights. This is a very good thing when buying a bow that needs those features. It uses the same AVS cam system featured in previous Mathews flagship models. It's fast (330 fps), has a great draw cycle and a rock-solid backwall. With a price of \$599, it can compete with bows twice its price.

#4 - PSE BRUTE FORCE LITE RTS

The Brute Force Lite pushes arrows at 330 fps but does so without an overly harsh draw cycle thanks to its Madness Hybrid cam. That cam, by the way, offers plenty of adjustment and 80 percent let-off. The bow does exhibit a little jump at release, but overall accuracy was solid. The bow weighs 3.8 pounds (1/2 pound less than the original Brute Force) and the RTS package is excellent — a Whisker Biscuit rest, AMP sight, sling, quiver, peep sight and D-loop. And at \$549.99, it's a terrific value.

#5 - QUEST FORGE D.T.H.

Quest is the child company of G5, builders of the PRIME line of bows. The folks at G5 take great pride in everything they build and the overlooked and underrated Quest line of bows are a great example. For starters, you're looking at a sub-\$600 bow with a machined riser of 6061 aluminum. You'll be hard pressed to find another machined riser in this price range, especially one of the more rigid 6061 aluminum. The bow also features a roller guard instead of the cheaper cable slide — another high-end touch on a bargain-priced bow. For \$529.99, you not only get a topnotch bow, you also get a killer package that includes a G5 tool-less sight, HALO rest, quiver, sling and a META peep.

Word Find Can you find them all?

Using the list below, find the words that are hidden in the jumble.

SHOTGUN	CROSSBOW
ARROW	RESPONSIBILITY
DEER	TARGET
HABITAT	BULLET
RETRIEVER	PHEASANT
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Did You Know?

West Virginia is home to more than 57 species of amphibians and reptiles; 70 wild mammals; 178 species of fish and nearly 300 species of birds.

Before You Go!

Before going out to hunt, make sure you check the most current regulations for accurate opening and closing dates and bag limits. All hunting and trapping regulations can be found at www.wvdnr.gov



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Name: Khloe Kirby Age: 6 Lives in: St. Albans, WV Siblings: None Parents: Brittany Barnett Activities: Softball, shooting and fishing Favorite Food: Mexican Favorite Hobby: Drawing Favorite TV Show: My Little Pony



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