

Conservation

Fun Outdoors!

Sitting around a campfire on a crisp autumn evening is one of life's simple pleasures. Double the fun by turning such an outing into a cooking lesson. Enlist the help of Mom or Dad to help you create a pot of savory chili that will cook over your campfire. Besides your favorite chili ingredients, you'll need a Dutch oven or a suspended steel pot to cook the chili. And don't forget the roasting sticks and marshmallows for dessert!

Hunting Tip

When hunting teal, keep in mind their small size and high speed in flight. Adding extra lead into your shot might be the ticket to greater success.

Fishing Tip

Autumn is a time of transition, and anglers would do well adapting to the changes. The smaller minnows that make up much of the forage base during warm months are now less abundant. Baitfish are now larger, and the predators are looking to feed heavily in advance of the cold winter. Don't be afraid to toss out some larger lures this time of year. And fish in areas where shad usually congregate, such as creek arms and coves.

for Kids!

Word Search: Things at Deer Camp

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Find and circle the names of these things commonly seen at deer camp.

Boots

Camp Stove

Ice Chest

Marshmallows

Camp Chairs

Firewood

Knife

Sleeping Bag

Campfire

Gloves

Lantern

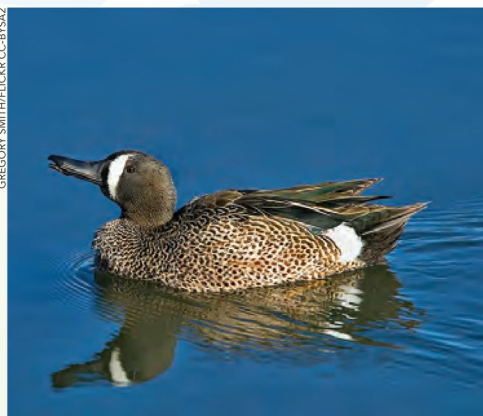
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COOL FACTS About Blue-winged Teal:

- This bird is among the smallest of North American waterfowl, with a length of about 16 inches and a wingspan of about 23 inches.
- In flight, they reveal a bold, powder-blue patch on their upper wing coverts, and males have a green trailing edge feathers on the upper wings.
- During breeding season, males have a grayish blue head and a white crescent in front of the eyes, a light brown body, a small white flank patch in front of a black rear.
- Females and males not in breeding season (eclipse males) are overall patterns of brown.



- These birds don't tolerate cold conditions well and are among the earliest to migrate south as winter approaches.
- They associate in flocks and are swift in flight, reaching 45 mph.
- They forage in shallow water and primarily eat seeds and aquatic vegetation.
- Blue-winged teal are the second-most abundant duck in North America, behind the mallard.
- Average lifespan is 10-17 years, but a banded green-winged teal harvested in Cuba in 2005 was at least 23 years old.
- Oklahoma has a two-week hunting season in September only for teal due to their earlier migrations.



Color a Critter: Blue-winged Teal

