

Sederholm Game Farm

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Once again we had a great holiday season. Our reindeer touched the hearts of many.



Caribou versus Reindeer

Although reindeer have similarities to caribou if you take a closer look and familiarize yourself with the two you will find many differences. Caribou are wild, tall, have a narrow deep chest, longer ears, face and muzzle and so on. The caribou is a migratory animal built to cover ground and when threatened the herd scatters and runs. The reindeer however is domestic, shorter and stout, has more body fat, thicker fur, are sedentary and will stay together in a tight circling herd when threatened. Caribou in Alaska are *Rangifer tarandus grantii* the domesticated reindeer is *Rangifer tarandus tarandus* same species different sub species. Many people when seeing reindeer associate them with the caribou in Alaska. Reindeer are from Northern Europe and were introduced into the United States 1891. The reindeer is beef, dairy and horse all in one. They are also used for clothing and tools. Reindeer have been a domestic livestock for 5000+ years.

Go to the reindeer history page on our website for updated information on the introduction of reindeer to the US. www.sederholmgamefarm.com

Meet Felice, this beautiful heifer is from Juneau's Christmas Trees and Reindeer Farm, Forest City MI. Felice will soon become part of our reindeer herd and family.

Visit our website to see more photos from the 2008 holiday season.
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This year we were fortunate to have weather warmer than usual. As you can see Noel had another busy season taking close to three hundred photos - she loves children. Yukon had the opportunity to make a few appearances and was also a big hit. Again I would like to remind every one that reindeer are real and no they are not caribou. Can they really fly? I will leave that for you to investigate. Is there really a Santa? There is as long as you believe!

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TB Accredited BR Certified

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Members: Reindeer Owners and Breeders Assoc.

For information on Reindeer for business promotion, education, photos and other events.

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Booking now for the 2009 holiday season.

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