Saturday we went to the tree farm to find our Christmas tree. Ever since we have been married, we have had a live tree. When I was young, I remember having a few live trees. Some got planted and grew so tall. Finding a tree is one of the few traditions we have for Christmas. I like to bake sugar cookies and gingerbread men with Hailey too. I also like finding that perfect ornament for each of them. This year Hailey's was a gymnastics girl, Hunter's was a John Deer tractor, mine was a snowflake on a piece of wood, and Brady's was a large rustic bell. It reminded me of going to the Polar Express and the fact that Brady paid for our trip. I don't think he liked his much though! Every year, I looked forward to seeing what ornament my mother picked out for us and watching my box of ornaments grow over the years. I still have them! A few years ago, Hailey and I made food to leave for the reindeer on Christmas Eve. I am excited to do this again as she is another year older and Hunter can help this year. I also received an Advent calendar from Fran for the kids. I have wanted one for a long time but have never found one I liked or the ones I liked were just too expensive. So this year, I got a few items and am having fun putting little treats in the pockets for the children. We told Hailey the elves must have done it!

After finding our tree, Brady has another tradition where he becomes VERY ANGRY at putting the tree in the tree holder. Despite getting a nice one years ago, it still frustrates him that the base can be such a pain. He did put on a happy face and put on some Christmas music just for us though. It did get up and Hailey enjoyed cutting the plastic wrap off the tree as well as separating the needles off the fallen branches onto the floor. After it is up, we put our lights on it, then the star, then we both put the ornament we recevied on our honeymoon from a sweet lady that checked us into the Sugar Shack at Beaver's Bend.





Hunter was asleep when we arrived but woke soon to noise and the sight of a giant saw!



Which tree will be ours?



Oh, Here it is!







take home we just did. Seconds after it fell, an employee came and

Our tree is about 10 years old.







Yummy apple cider and hot chocolate!