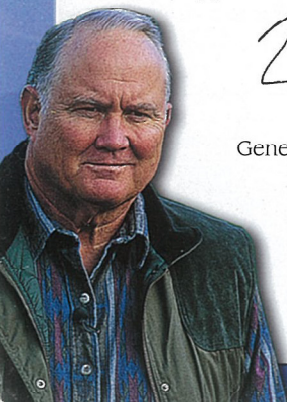


Seeing a **wild black bear** is an exciting and memorable experience. When visiting, recreating or living in or near black bear country, it is always important to be aware that you may encounter a bear at any time.

You are responsible for your safety and the safety of the bears. Please help keep our black bears wild by not approaching or feeding them.

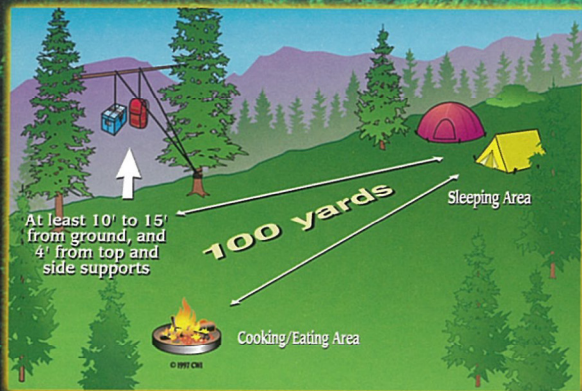


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Hiking Precautions

- ▼ Read all trailhead signs.
- ▼ Hike in groups.
- ▼ Make your presence known (call out).
- ▼ Don't hike in the dark.
- ▼ Make extra noise when near moving water and on windy days.
- ▼ Carry bear spray.

Watch For Bear Signs

- ▼ Rocks or logs turned over.
- ▼ Logs or stumps torn apart.
- ▼ Claw marks on trees.
- ▼ Berries = Bears.
- ▼ Dead animals or fish.
- ▼ Bear scat.
- ▼ Digging areas.

Viewing & Photographing

- ▼ Photograph from observation areas.
- ▼ Use a telephoto lens, binoculars or spotting scope.
- ▼ Never approach or follow wild animals.
- ▼ Don't block an animal's line of travel.
- ▼ Maintain a safe distance.



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