



## Sharing an Ecosystem –

You are camping within wildlife habitat

Animals rely on every part of this landscape for their survival. You may encounter them at any time.

### Do the right thing!

- Always be aware of your surroundings, especially at dusk and dawn.
- Make noise and do not walk around alone.
- Carry bear spray and know how to use it.
- Never leave any food or scented items around your campsite.

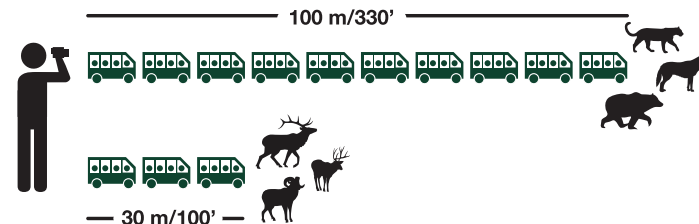


## Wildlife Viewing –

A word about safety

Seeing wild animals can be a thrilling and rewarding experience, but remember:

- All wild animals can be dangerous.
- It is illegal to approach, feed, or entice wildlife of any kind, regardless of size.
- Only stop when and where it is safe to do so. Pull over and do not block traffic.
- Stay in your vehicle.
- Watch for a few moments, take a photo from a safe distance and move on.
- Keep a safe viewing distance at all times (30 to 100 metres).



Report all bear, cougar and wolf sightings immediately.

Banff, Kootenay and Yoho  
Park Dispatch: **403-762-1470**

Jasper, Mount Revelstoke  
and Glacier  
Park Dispatch: **780-852-6155**

Waterton Lakes  
Park Office: **403-859-5133**



To learn more about bear safety:  
[parksCanada.gc.ca/mtn-bears](https://parksCanada.gc.ca/mtn-bears)



## The “Bare” Campsite Program



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# Welcome!

You are camping in a very special place, a national park. We share this landscape with animals that depend on it for their survival. These can include black and grizzly bears, cougars, wolves, coyotes, squirrels and birds.

Parks Canada's "Bare" Campsite Program is in place for your safety, and to help keep the animals in the national parks alive and wild. Campers and park staff are responsible for ensuring that wildlife attractants are never left unattended in campgrounds.



Keep a clean campsite!

If your campsite is not clean...

## By camping here, you agree to store all food and scented items in:

- a hard-sided vehicle, trailer or motor home, or
- a campground food storage locker.

You must not leave food and scented items in an open, screened or soft-sided shelter, such as:

- a tent,
- open back of a truck,
- a dining shelter, or
- a tent-trailer.

This rule applies whenever food and scented items are not in use:

- at night while you are sleeping, or
- when you are away from your site for any length of time.

## By camping here, you agree that:

Parks Canada staff may enter open and plainly visible areas of an unattended campsite to remove and secure plainly visible wildlife attractants.

If you come back to your site and items that you have left unattended are missing, look for a written notice left by park staff. It contains further instructions.

**KEEP YOUR CAMPSITE CLEAN** to reduce the risks to your personal safety and to animals.



If you fail to comply with the requirements of the "Bare" Campsite Program you may have your camping permit cancelled with no refund. You may also be charged under the Canada National Parks Act and Regulations.

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## Did you know?

Anything that has a smell or could be considered food may attract animals.

### Never leave ANY of these items unattended:

- Food – open/closed
- Garbage and food scraps
- Coolers – full/empty
- Dishes and pots – clean/dirty
- Pet food and bowls
- Bottles and cans – full/empty
- Barbecues and camp stoves – clean/dirty
- ANY item associated with food preparation

Animals need to find their own natural food sources, not yours. By feeding an animal or leaving your scented food items unattended, you attract it to roadsides, picnic areas and campgrounds. This can be dangerous for you and for the animals.

## Attention pet owners!

You must keep pets on a leash at all times. Don't leave pets unattended outside. They can attract carnivores such as bears, cougars, wolves or coyotes, and may be attacked.

