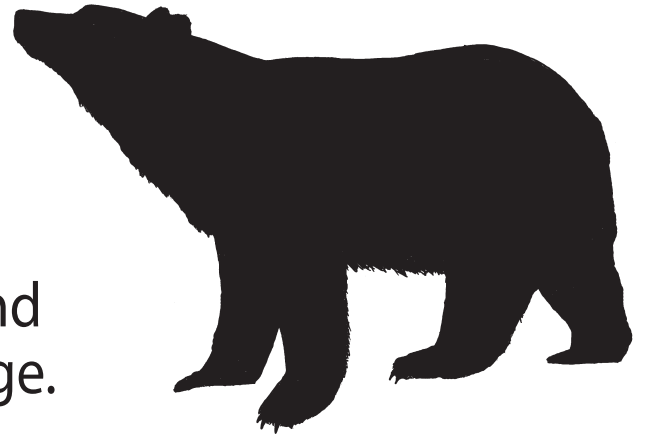


Be BearWise®

When visiting this area:

- 🐾 Make noise while hiking.
- 🐾 Hike in groups.
- 🐾 Keep dogs on a leash no longer than 7-feet.
- 🐾 Never intentionally feed wildlife and pack out all food waste and garbage.



If you see a bear:

- 🐾 Make noise so the bear is aware of your presence.
- 🐾 Never approach a bear or attempt to get close for a photo or video. Scare the bear instead by making noise.

If a bear does not leave:

- 🐾 Back away slowly.
- 🐾 Never run or climb a tree.

If a bear approaches:

- 🐾 Make more noise, wave your arms, and throw objects at the bear.
- 🐾 Black bears rarely attack humans. If you are attacked, do not play dead. Fight back with anything available.



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