



Four Bears at a Tahoe Campground

CAMPGROUND SAFETY

BearWise® Tips to Avoid Bear Encounters

WHAT ATTRACTS BEARS

- **Food, Drinks, Condiments**
ketchup, mustard, etc.
- **Trash, Recycling**
containers, packaging, food scraps, etc.
- **Coolers**, even if empty
- **Anything with a Scent**, including toiletries



Never burn trash or food scraps in the fire ring or grill, or toss into the woods.

WHERE TO KEEP STUFF

- **Locked Vehicle/RV, Cabin or Hard-Sided Camper**
Close windows when not at your campsite.
- **Storage Locker**
- **Bear-Resistant Dumpster, Container, or Cooler** with approved locks

No scents/odors in tents, including clothes worn when cooking.



REPORT BEAR ENCOUNTERS AND UNSECURED TRASH TO CAMP HOST

SAFELY ENJOY THE OUTDOORS



Stay alert and stay together.

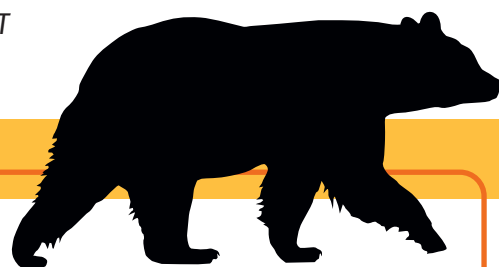
Always keep dogs leashed.

Carry bear spray (if allowed).



Make noise often so bears can avoid you.

Leave nothing behind, not even food scraps.



IF YOU SEE A BEAR:

Do not feed or approach.

Never run or climb a tree.



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