



KEEP ME WILD™

Stash Your Food and Trash

Black bears, coyotes and other wildlife may be your neighbors here.

- Store garbage in bear-proof containers
- Or store garbage in your garage until pick-up
- Keep food indoors or in airtight and odor-free containers
- Put away picnic leftovers; clean BBQ grills
- Keep pet food and bird feeders away
- Pick up fallen tree fruit
- Remove cosmetic fragrances and other attractants
- Install or request bear-proof trash containers

Feeding bears is dead wrong.

Allowing wild animals access to human food and garbage can be deadly. Wild animals naturally fear people, keep a distance, and will not bother you, so long as they remain truly wild. But if they have access to human food and garbage, they want more. Their natural ways are ruined. Their normal wildness and fear of humans is lost. That's when conflicts occur.

Keep them wild.

If in doubt about what to do, ask your local game warden, park ranger, law enforcement officer, garbage collection company, or town council.

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