



WARNING

The larger **WILD ANIMALS** of the Park are harmless at a distance—but they are

DANGEROUS

WHEN APPROACHED

For your own protection Park Regulations prohibit **FEEDING** or **OFFERING FOOD TO BEARS**.

BE WISE

BE SAFE

DO NOT RISK TRAGEDY

Remain in your car at a safe distance when watching bears. Do not encourage them in any way to approach.

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ABOUT BEARS

Like all animals in our National Parks, BEARS are WILD animals. Because of their protected status they have lost their natural fear of man. This may make them appear tame but actually in this state they are more dangerous.

Survival is an animal's most compelling instinct. The main factor in the survival of an animal is its success in the search for food. When this search is combined with a lack of fear of man the result is a very troublesome and, consequently, dangerous animal. Troublesome bears are trapped and removed to remote areas of the park. In extreme cases some bears are destroyed.

In order that visitors may continue to enjoy the sight of bears roaming freely in our National Parks, and to avoid personal tragedy, please follow these suggestions:

Never offer food to bears, either directly or by setting it out for them.

Always keep a safe distance from them.

Never get between cubs and adult bears.

When camping, store your food in such a way that food odours do not escape. Use clean wrapping material and airtight containers. A good deodorizer is very effective in eliminating food odours from your camp.

Burn all food scraps and garbage in the camp stoves or deposit them in the garbage containers provided.

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