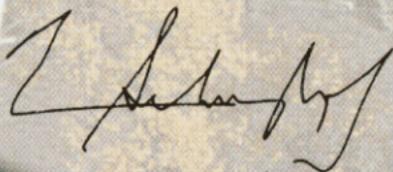


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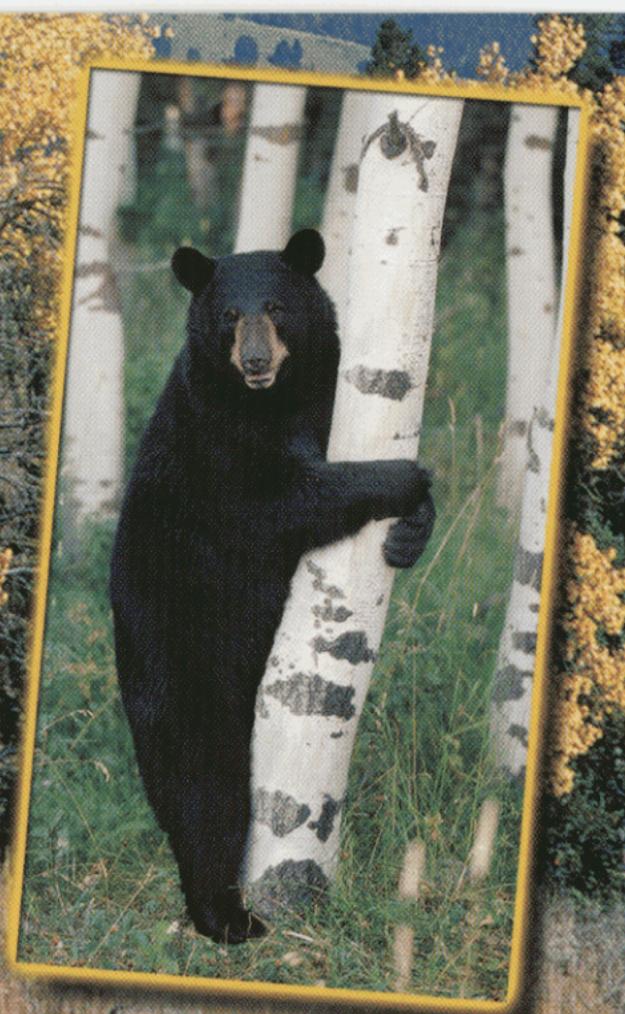


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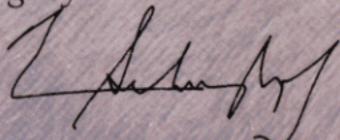
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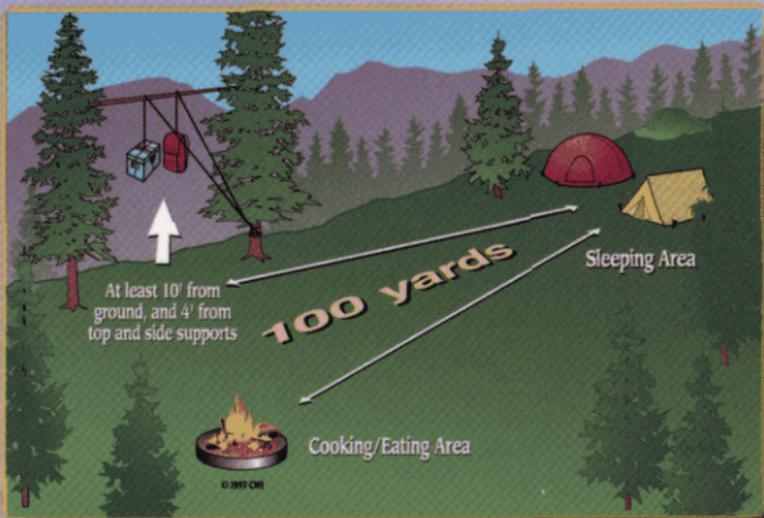


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- ▼ Hike in groups.
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- ▼ Don't hike in the dark.
- ▼ Make extra noise when near moving water and on windy days.
- ▼ Carry EPA registered bear pepper spray.

Watch For Bear Signs

- ▼ Rocks or logs turned over.
- ▼ Logs or stumps torn apart.
- ▼ Claw marks on trees.
- ▼ Berries = Bears.
- ▼ Dead animals or fish.
- ▼ Bear Scat.
- ▼ Digging areas.

Viewing & Photographing

- ▼ Photograph from observation areas.
- ▼ Use a telephoto lens, binoculars or spotting scope.
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- ▼ Don't block an animal's line of travel.
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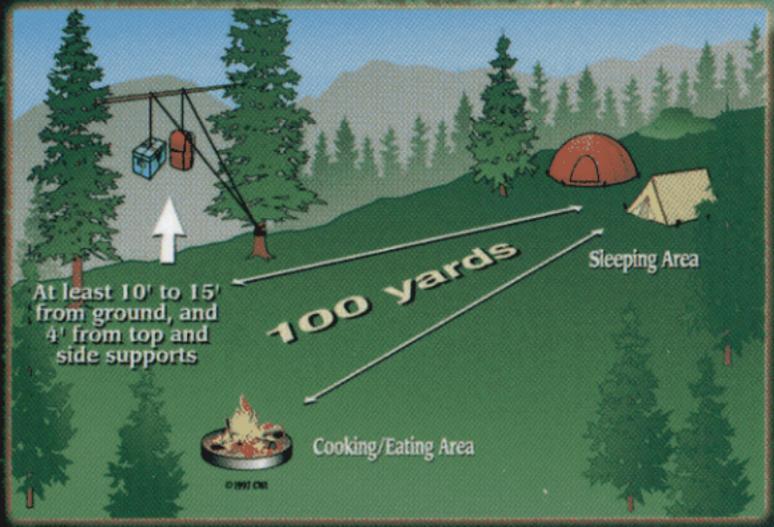
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