



THE BLACK BEAR

(Ursus americanus) is a very innovative and extremely adaptive animal. They are usually shy and avoid humans but take caution because they are startlingly unpredictable. When necessary, the black bear will use its tremendous power and surprising speed to overtake a meal, protect its young or flee an uncertain situation. The bear relies mainly on its highly sensitive nose for food and safety. They are considered "walking stomachs" and can locate a food source miles away. Keen hearing gives the bear an early warning to unidentified sounds leading to a stealthy retreat. Although their sight is poor, black bears can readily identify motion. While black is the usual colour, cinnamon and blonde phases are common in our area. These are some of the characteristics that make the black bear a formidable big game challenge.



QUICK FACTS

- Black Bears are omnivorous.
- Females look after young for approx. 17 months.
- Average weight of a male bear (boar) is 250-350 lbs.
- A bear's sense of taste is keen but appetite rules.
- Average weight of a female bear (sow) is 130-230 lbs.
- Bears have 42 teeth.
- Bears are usually territorial.
- They live between 9-18 years.
- Average speed is 3 mph.
- A cub weighs 1/250th of its mother's weight at birth.
- A bear swims 3-5 mph.
- Bears will climb into boats/canoes from the water.
- Breeding season is mid June-early August.
- Adult females maintain the same range year after year.
- Bears seldom reuse a den.
- A bear's maximum land speed is more than 30 mph.
- Black bears are cannibalistic.
- Females can reach sexual maturity as early as 3.5 years.
- A bear's front legs are shorter than their hind legs.
- A male bear's territory overlaps many female territories.
- A bear can put on over 100 lbs. of weight from spring to fall.
- Black bears can climb a tree faster than a human can fall out.



BLACK BEAR HUNTS



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BLACK BEAR HUNTING PACKAGE

INCLUDES:

- 7 days & nights with 5 days hunting
- Fully equipped modern cabin
- Boat/motor/fuel for every two hunters
- Hunting area map & Lake map
- 2-3 fresh, active baited sites per hunter, all bait
- Ladder tree stands or ground blind
- Assistance tracking and recovery
- Freezer service & Export permit

HUNTER PROVIDES:

- Hunting and fishing license
- Transportation to and from hunting area (baits are within 25 miles of camp).
- Safety harness - no harness, no treestands, Safety is #1.
- Hunting and fishing equipment, food.
- It is **mandatory** for the hunter to bring a current or expired hunting license or a hunter safety course card if they do not possess an Ontario Hunter Outdoor card.

ADDITIONAL:

- Skinning & De-Boning, add \$180
- For remote baits accessed by ATV or boat, add \$250 per hunter + tax.

BLACK BEAR SEASON

May 1 - June 15 & August 15 - October 31

- Reservations are confirmed with a \$500 deposit.
- Each hunter will then receive a comprehensive information package outlining your hunt.
- References available upon request.

RATE PER HUNTER \$ _____

"Woman River Camp is a great place with beautiful country, comfortable cabins and really reasonable rates. Paul is an expert guide. He set us up perfectly for 100% success on our first bear hunting trip to Ontario. My father and I harvested a great black bear and a beautiful cinnamon color phase bear."

*Howard "JR" Trushenski
Minneapolis, Minnesota*



"Our second time hunting in Canada was by far the best. The hunt was just like you described with no surprises or added costs! You made us feel right at home. Both Tom and Larry decided to have rugs made. I decided to have a full shoulder mount done..."

*Cheers, Rick
Woodstock, Illinois*

A HUNTING TRADITION

Black bear hunting is an annual tradition at Woman River Camp. Our remote location and exclusive Black Bear Management Areas offer the hunter every opportunity for a successful hunt.

The Boreal forest encompassing our vast hunting area consists of just the right balance of old and new growth forest. Providing our healthy bear population with excellent shelter, safe den sites, escape cover, and incredible berry crops which are essential.

Our hunt is designed with the independent hunter in mind. Hunters are welcome to use archery, gun or black powder. We offer our hunter's three hunting techniques; calling, spot & stock, or our most successful method, over one of our well-established bait sites. Our sites are intensively baited well in advance of their use and guaranteed to be active. Shots range from 15-100 yds. at the bait sites. Tree stands are recommended.

Maintaining our high level of hunting success is achieved with expert knowledge, extensive scouting, and years of experience.

We limit the number of hunters allowed to participate yearly and each week, giving us the opportunity to provide the personal service and professionalism you as the hunter should expect on your trophy hunt!

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