



# OREGON IS COYOTE COUNTRY

Coyotes are a native species well adapted to urban ecosystems. It is not unusual to see them in developed areas, even during the daytime.

Prevention is the best medicine when it comes to avoiding, minimizing or correcting problems with coyotes.

- Scare coyotes away with loud noise, clapping, etc.
- Do not leave pets unattended outdoors.
- Supervise small children when outside if coyotes frequent the area.
- Feed pets indoors. Do not leave food or water bowls outside for pets, feral animals or wildlife.
- Keep dogs leashed when recreating outside. Keep cats indoors.
- Install motion-activated lights and supervise pets when taking them out at night.
- If a coyote approaches you or your pet, leave the area. Report aggressive coyotes to ODFW or Oregon State Police.

If you encounter a coyote, make loud noises, throw rocks or other objects if it approaches. Report aggressive behavior towards humans or pets to ODFW. Call 911 in the event of an attack or other emergency.



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Coyotes are skilled hunters and will eat rodents, birds, snakes, deer and antelope, insects, fruits and berries. They are opportunistic feeders and will also eat pets, pet food and garbage.

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## Tips for living with coyotes

- Secure garbage in an area inaccessible to wild animals (use bleach as necessary to remove odors from garbage cans).
- Harvest fruits and vegetables as they become ripe.
- Cover and secure compost piles.
- Bring livestock/poultry into barns, sheds or coyote-proof enclosures at night.
- Trim and clear vegetation that provides cover for coyotes or their prey.
- Remove birdfeeders (coyotes are attracted to birds and rodents that use feeders).
- Clean barbecues regularly.
- Build a coyote-proof perimeter fence.

**Share these tips with your neighbors.**