

Being Bison Wise



Please view bison safely and follow these simple tips:

- Stay in your vehicle and do not approach bison on foot along the roadside.
- Keep at least 100 metres (330 feet) away from Bison at all times, even when you are in your vehicle.
- Avoid approaching bison where their escape routes are limited; they may charge more readily.
- If you encounter bison while hiking, don't try to approach or scare them away. Make them aware of your presence, if they don't move off- walk well around them, always keeping an eye on them. If necessary, return to the trailhead.
- Never enter a herd of bison on foot or come between two animals, especially a cow and her calf.
- During the mating season (rut) bulls are more aggressive and may pose increased danger.
- Dogs must be kept on a leash at all times as they can agitate bison and provoke attacks.

Bison Warning Signs

- Snorting and tossing its head
- Raising of the tail
- Turning its back to you, raising its tail and defecating
- Pawing the ground
- False charge may occur, do not run
- Leaves and twigs on the head can indicate that the bison is aggressive

It's all about the tail

