

# Books About Bears

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Andrews, Bryce  
***Down from the Mountain: The Life and Death of a Grizzly Bear***

599.78 AND

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2019

The story of a grizzly bear named Millie: her life, death, and cubs, and what they reveal about the changing character of the American West.

Brunner, Bernd  
***Bears: A Brief History***

599.78 B897b

Yale University Press, 2007

A delightfully illustrated history of the complex relations between people and bears around the world.

Cox, Daniel J.  
***Black Bear***

q599.7444 C877b

Chronicle Books, 1990

Color photographs capture the essence of the black bear in its element, at play, raising cubs, and foraging for food.

Craighead, Lance  
***Bears of the World***

599.78 CRA

Voyageur Press, 2000

*Bears of the World* explores the life of these fascinating creatures, from the most feared animal in North America, the grizzly, to the smallest bear, the sun bear. Lance Craighead discusses natural history of bears, including their habits, adaptations, relationships with humans, and conservation issues.

Fergus, Charles

***Bears***

599.785 FER

Stackpole Books, 2005

This natural history guide clears up the misconceptions about bears and offers a glimpse into their extraordinary lives. It also examines the difficulties that bears and humans often have coexisting and gives guidance on how to act should you encounter a wild bear.

Furtman, Michael

***Black Bear Country***

599.785 FUR

NorthWord Press, 1998

Renowned wildlife author, Michael Furtman, explores and explains the mystery that is the black bear. In this book, he traces the seasons in the life of this powerful yet gentle symbol of the American wilderness, covering details such as social structure, diet, mating, denning and hibernation.

Garfield, Brad

***Bear Vs. Man: Recent Attacks and How to Avoid the Increasing Danger***

599.78 GAR

Willow Creek Press, 2001

Writer-photographer Brad Garfield chronicles bear attacks, including dramatic photographs and stories told by victims who survived and companions of those who didn't.

Greenberg, Jill

***Bear Portraits***

779.932 GRE

Little, Brown, 2009

Fascinating and arresting studio portraits of bears by Jill Greenberg, renowned photographer and creator of Monkey Portraits.

Herrero, Stephen

***Bear Attacks: Their Causes and Avoidance***

599.784 H565b 2018

Lyons Press, 2018

*Bear Attacks* is a thorough study of the attacks made on men and women by the great grizzly and the occasionally deadly black bear. This is a book for everyone who hikes, camps, or visits bear country who wants to know more about these sometimes fearsome but always fascinating wild creatures.

Kanze, Edward

***Adirondack: Life and Wildlife in the Wild, Wild East***

974.75 KAN

State University of New York Press, 2014

*Adirondack* tells the story of how Edward and his wife, Debbie, planted their family deep in Adirondack soil. Edward brings the unique history of this area to life by sharing stories of his ancestors, who have lived there for generations, and by offering captivating tales of bears, birds, and fluorescent mice.

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Kilham, Benjamin

### ***Among the Bears: Raising Orphan Cubs in the Wild***

599.7851 KIL

Henry Holt, 2002

In the spring of 1993, Ben Kilham began raising a pair of orphaned wild black bears. The experience changed his life. Kilham discovered unknown facets of bear behavior that have radically revised our understanding of animal behavior. *Among the Bears* explores the building up of trust between species, with hopeful implications for the shared future of humans and animals in the wild.

Kilham, Benjamin

### ***Out on a Limb: What Black Bears Taught Me About Intelligence and Intuition***

599.785 K48o

Chelsea Green Publishing, 2013

*Out on a Limb* delivers Kilham's fascinating glimpse at the inner world of bears, and makes a passionate case for science, and education in general, to open its doors to different ways of learning and researching doors that could lead to far broader realms of discovery.

Nicklen, Paul

### ***Bear: Spirit of the Wild***

599.78 NIC

National Geographic, 2013

Paul Nicklen, wildlife photojournalist, showcases his stunning photography for National Geographic with this collection of North American bears: the grizzly, polar bear, black bear and the rarest spirit bear. Evocative storytelling combines with Nicklen's landmark photographs to reveal the truths and myths about these amazing creatures, and sheds light on their threatened ecosystems.

Payton, Brian

### ***Shadow of the Bear: Travels in Vanishing Wilderness***

599.78 PAY

Bloomsbury, 2006

Brian Payton travels the world in search of the eight remaining bear species, from the reclusive spectacled bears of Peru to the man-eating sloth bears of India. Vivid characters, exotic landscapes, and deft storytelling make for an unforgettable trek down the braided path of bear and human history.

Poulsen, Else M. B

### ***Smiling Bears: A Zookeeper Explores the Behavior and Emotional Life of Bears***

599.78 POU

Greystone Books, 2009

Henry Holt, 2002 This remarkable book reveals the many insights about bears and their emotional lives Else Poulsen has gained through her years of work with them. Featuring photographs from Poulsen's personal collection, *Smiling Bears* provides an enlightening and moving portrait of bears in all their richness and complexity.

Ricciuti, Edward R

### ***Bears in the Backyard: Big Animals, Sprawling Suburbs, and the New Urban Jungle***

591.756 RIC

The Countryman Press, 2014

Fang and claw have jumped the white picket fence as encounters with cougars in Chicago, alligators in Florida, and bears virtually everywhere have become increasingly commonplace. Edward Ricciuti explores research into why it's happening and how to deal with it on both societal and personal levels.

Sherwonit, Bill

### ***Alaska's Bears: Grizzlies, Black Bears, and Polar Bears***

599.784 S554a 2016

Alaska Northwest Books, 2016

A handy guidebook to the bears of Alaska, this informative book provides details on bear behaviors, yearly cycles, ecological niches, relations to humans, and more.

Taylor, J. David

### ***Black Bears: A Natural History***

599.785 TAY

Fitzhenry & Whiteside, 2006

Lavishly illustrated with more than 100 full-color photographs, maps and charts, *Black Bears* introduces the reader to this shy, reclusive, and largely misunderstood animal with an encyclopedic examination of the black bear's diet, dens, mating habits, habitat, and hibernation.

Van Tighem, Kevin J

### ***Bears: Without Fear***

599.7809 VAN

Rocky Mountain Books, 2013

Kevin Van Tighem calls on decades of experience, knowledge, and understanding to enlighten readers about our relationship with and attitude toward bears. Through historical research, field observation, and an array of stunning photos, Van Tighem has written a comprehensive book meant to demystify bears and promote a deeper understanding of these powerful yet vulnerable creatures.



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