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YOU ARE IN LION COUNTRY

Recent reports indicate possible mountain lion activity in this area.
Human-mountain lion interactions are extremely rare.



Be aware of possible sightings and use appropriate safety precautions:

- Be attentive and alert. Be aware that you may encounter a mountain lion and know what to do when you see one.
- Make plenty of noise as you walk, hike or jog particularly during the times mountain lions are most active; dawn and dusk.
- Keep small children less than an arm's length away or hold their hand. Discuss mountain lion safety with children. Make sure they know what to do if they see a lion.
- Carry a walking stick if you hike or run alone.
- Do not allow pets to run or roam at large. Leash and supervise your pets.
- Do not feed or lure wildlife into your yard. The presence of prey species can draw mountain lions into neighborhoods and backyards.

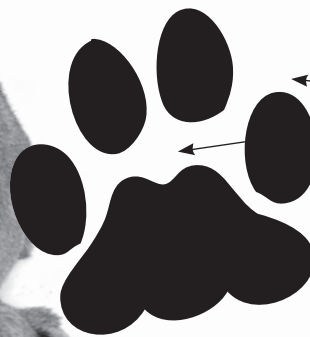
If you encounter a mountain lion:

- Do not approach a mountain lion. Mountain lions avoid confrontation and are likely to try to escape, given space and time.
- Maintain visual contact with the lion. Do not turn your back or look away.
- DO NOT RUN. Running can stimulate the predator—or chase—response. If you are with small children, pick them up or hold their hand so they can't run away.
- Do not scream. Speak firmly and calmly to the mountain lion, commanding it to leave you alone.
- Raise your arms, open your jacket or widen your stance to make yourself look big. Maintain visual contact with the lion and slowly back away.

If the mountain lion approaches or attacks:

YELL LOUDLY and prepare to FIGHT BACK. People have successfully fought a mountain lion off with rocks, sticks, jackets, tools or their bare hands.

Report Mountain Lion activity by calling the Colorado Division of Wildlife at 303-291-7227.



Mountain Lion Track ID Tips:

- Claws absent
- Two distinct lobes
- Three distinct lobes

BE AWARE

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