Animals Are Prepared for a Night in the Woods—Are You?

Safety and Survival Tips

Animals have adapted to survive and thrive in the woods all year long. Park visitors, however, rarely intend to spend a night in the woods. Plan ahead so that if you accidentally become lost, you’ll stay calm, be smart, and think like a wild animal. It could save your life!

**Animals Have:**
- Warm Fur — Layered Clothing (Gloves, Hat, Warm Jacket)
- Night Vision — Flashlight and Matches
- Good Sense of Direction — Map and Compass
- Food Sources — Energy Bars, Snacks
- Water Sources — Water Bottle
- Sharp Teeth, Talons, Claws — Pocket Knife
- Clear Cries, Distinct Calls — Shrihl Whistle
- Warm Places to Sleep — Makeshift Shelters (Garbage Bag, Poncho or Tent)

**People Need:**

Don’t let your walk in the park turn into a night in the dark.