



EDUCATION

Coexisting with wildlife begins with education. Learn about which animals live in your neighborhood and be aware of their common habits and behaviors.

- Which animals do you notice in your day to day?
- Which wild animals commonly live around your neighborhood that you might not see as frequently?
- How do these animals normally act? Which actions are a cause for concern?

Wildlife in urban and suburban spaces is not necessarily a cause for concern, these are their habitats too. Awareness and attunement is the first step towards understanding and coexisting with our wild neighbors.

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WAYS TO COEXIST WITH WILDLIFE

Starting new practices or looking to expand your current habits to be wildlife aware can be daunting.

Here are some recommendations to get started.

WILDLIFE AMONG US

Though the boundaries between wilderness and built environments seem clear cut, we live in an interconnected world.



Wildlife has always, and will always, continue to adapt to live amongst people in myriad ways. Our responsibility moving forward is to find ways to live harmoniously with our animal neighbors.

WILDLIFE SUPPORTIVE PRACTICES

Wildlife supportive practices around your home can also work towards coexistence. Consider some of the wildlife-aware practices listed below:

- Keep pets leashed or supervised when outside.
- Build a catio for curious kitties.



- Use natural pest control or exclusionary practices to keep unwanted visitors away.
- Plug up holes in attics and under eaves so mitigate animals nesting or resting in these unsafe spaces.
- Plant native plants for a supportive natural habitat which can bolster both gardens and native species while deterring unwanted pests.

GET INVOLVED WITH SBWCN

Taking action to help wildlife thrive is a huge step in coexisting with wildlife. It is also a great way to learn more about wildlife and how to best support them. There are many ways you can get involved with SBWCN and education programs:

- **Volunteer:** SBWCN relies on our volunteers to support our rehabilitation and education work. To explore volunteer opportunities use the QR code below.



- **Take** our Wild 5 Challenge inspired by everyday choices we can make for a safer shared world. Take the Wild 5 Challenge with the QR code below.

