Start your trip with a quick identification quiz. It is important to be aware of the following plants, animals, and insects in this area—while none of these will pursue you, it is good to know what to avoid.

Please do not attempt to feed or pet animals. Wildlife may appear to be tame, but may attack if feeling threatened. Always maintain a safe viewing distance.

Make your presence known to avoid accidental encounters. Some travelers call out or wear bells to broadcast their presence to animals.

Keep a clean camp and hang food in the backcountry to avoid attracting bears.

Watch for snakes on rocks and listen for the high-pitched rattle of a rattlesnake.

Use common sense to avoid insects that may sting such as black widow spiders, ticks, wasps, and bees.

Sleeves and long pants will help to protect skin from prickly plants and potential skin irritations.

Try not to disturb plants and soil. Please tread lightly and stay on the trail whenever possible.