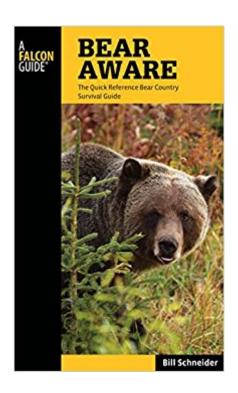


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Bill Schneider has spent forty years hiking trails in bear country. He has written twenty books and hundreds of magazine articles on wildlife, outdoor recreation, and conservation issues.Â

This is a really good book. Exactly the information I wanted to know - how to recognize bear behaviors in different situations and what to do about it as well as prevention and discerning fact from fiction. Very practical and useful. Got it at the library but going to purchase for loaning out to my other hiking and backpacking friends.

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