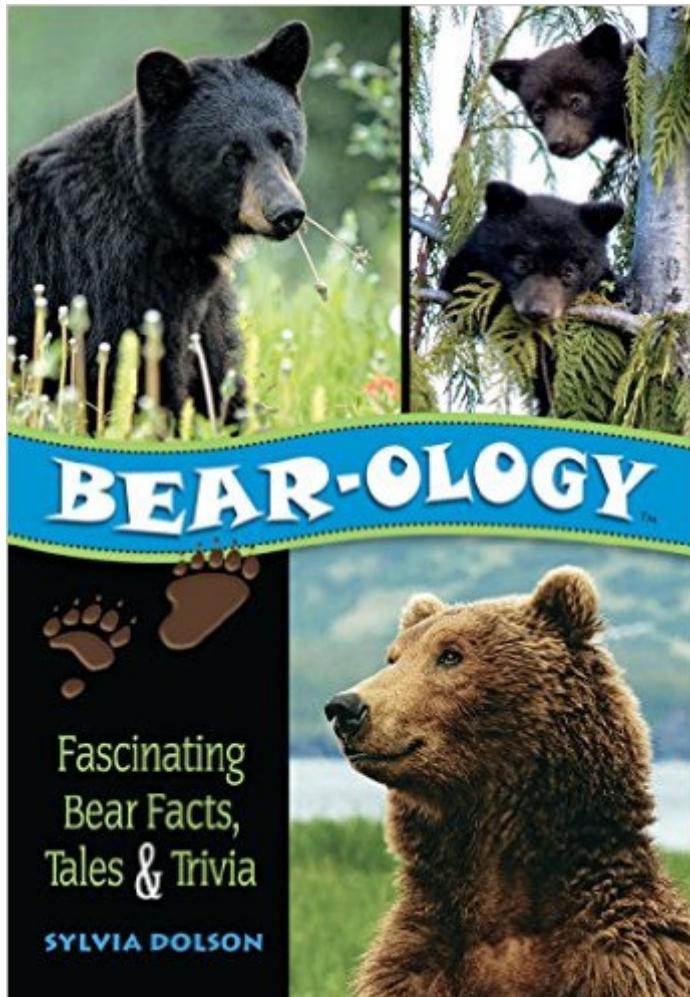


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# Bear-ology: Fascinating Bear Facts, Tales & Trivia



## Synopsis

Bears have captured our imaginations for centuries. Now in this treasure trove of facts, folklore and amazing trivia, discover the history and nature of all bears, including black bears, grizzlies and polar bears. Along the way, meet some famous bears (real and not-so-real), learn about bear totems and mythologies of ancient cultures throughout the world, and see how bears have become embedded in our lives, from the names of night-sky constellations and sports teams to everyday words and slogans. Complete with color photos, numerous illustrations and cartoons, plus helpful tips for coexisting with our furry neighbors.

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## Customer Reviews

This is a gotta have it addition to your library for anyone who's interested in bears. It's filled with fascinating facts, interesting stories and the kind of trivia that will have you saying "I didn't know that" about once a page. The book's format makes it easy to pick and choose what you want to read, although I must confess I enjoyed it so much I read it cover to cover in one sitting. Even though the book is filled with facts and obviously very well researched, Sylvia Dolson's writing is always down to earth and friendly. Sure to be enjoyed by everyone from casual bear fans to professionals in wildlife research and management. Lots of first-rate photos and illustrations add to the appeal.

Having lost most of my chickens and honeybees to black bears, I'm interested in learning more about these fascinating creatures. Sylvia Dolson provides a lot of information on bears (grizzlies,

brown, polar, black and others), and she does it in easily digestible chunks. It's really a series of sidebars rather than a single narrative, which makes it easy to read for those of us with shorter attention spans.

During a recent trip to Alaska I became curious about bears after a visit to Fortress of the Bears. Later, I found \*Bear-ology\* in a gift shop/art gallery. I spent the rest of my trip reading out loud to my fellow travelers. The book is cleverly laid out in small chunks of information, trivia, and fun. The engaging text is supported with both color and black and white photos, illustrations, and cartoons. The book introduces types of bears (black, brown, grizzly, polar, etc.), bear behavior, bear myths, how humans treat and react to bears, as well as trivia, puzzles, recipes (try the one for bear claws!), and resources for anyone who wants to learn more. I nearly forgot to mention Pooh, Yogi, and Smokey as well! And that leaves out an awful lot! I have had this book for two months now and enjoy it every time I pick it up. This is an excellent book for kids to share with Mom or Dad, and no library should be without it. Great way to learn!

Absolutely the best Bear Book you have ever read. You may enjoy it so much you want to read it again!!! No joke. No kidding!!! All you could ever want to know or think about knowing about Bears, one of God's truly great creations. It's all here: Black Bears, Brown Bears, Grizzly Bears, Polar Bears, Pandas and Bears you've never heard. of...Knowledge, information, funny stories, superstitions, and cold hard scientific fact. It's all presented in a most enjoyable and entertaining way. If you even know what a Bear is, buy this book, read it, learn from it and, above all, enjoy it.....It's that good!!!

my granddaughter loves bears and this is a great resource for her to learn all those fascinating facts along with the tales and bits of trivia. I really enjoy the illustrations and having her read to me.

Nice Job! I have been studying bears for well over 25 years due to my fetish with playing in bear country from the mountains/valleys of Alaska, Montana and Wyoming to the north woods of Minnesota and Wisconsin. I didn't want to be scared to death about being eaten by a grizzly every time I decided to go out for a hike. I decided to educate myself on their behavior; the difference between the species; how to track and pay attention while roaming about as well as response methodologies when being confronted by various species. I've gone through tons of books, research papers, video, attended field studies and more. This is such a nice short, condensed little

ditty that nice to have for those interested in the topic. No longer scared of these beautiful animals and instead truly enjoy playing in bear country. I have also had the additional gift of being able to enjoy tons of viewing from a respectful distance!

Furry, curious, cute, but oh so deadly. "Bear-ology: Fascinating Bear Facts, Tales, & Trivia" is a charming little book for the young or not-so young bear lover who wants to learn more about the various species of this type of creature. Tracing the long history and folklore associated with the bear, which has been a central figure of countless myths, as well as more modern fictional representations such as Smokey or Winnie the Pooh. "Bear-ology" gives readers countless fun facts and fine reading about the ursine animal.

Sylvia Dolson is properly and widely known as the "Bear Lady" of Whistler, British Columbia. She is one of those very rare souls who have given everything to a good cause, and with whom that cause becomes firmly identified. Here we learn how we might live with tolerance and respect for the bears around our communities. This book is a lively but very rich trove of bear information and lore. There should be copy in every classroom, campground, and Christmas stocking. Bear-Ology goes beyond the facts of bear natural history by casting a wide net around the absurd elements of human behavior to wildlife. We learn that with understanding of predictable animal behavior things need not go badly for animals. If we fear a book which it too polemical, or just a policy position piece, be advised that with Bear-Ology in the glove compartment you and your family will be equipped with snappy reading, with very nice graphic design, including many photographs, and some recipes, further references and a crossword. This book is suitable for all ages in the true sense. Thank you Ms. Dolson.

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