



Forestry England

# Do not feed wild boar

To prevent the introduction of diseases like foot and mouth disease and African swine fever please do not feed the wild boar.

They are well adapted to living and feeding in their own environment. Feeding food scraps and kitchen waste to pigs is illegal.

## How you can help:

- Do not put out food for forest animals such as foxes, deer or boar.
- Please take home and responsibly dispose all rubbish including left over food waste from your picnics.
- Please don't put out bird feed anywhere boar could get to it.

## What to do if you see wild boar:

- Boar have relatively poor eyesight but a keen sense of smell, and will often walk towards you to get a better look.
- Do not approach them. Go back the way you came or go around them giving a wide berth.
- Avoid walking through dense woodland. These are their safe resting and breeding areas.
- Put your dog on a lead as soon as you see one or they may get scared and react.
- Keep a safe distance. Particularly if your dog chases or does not respond to calls immediately.

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