

You wander in your home range looking for acorns, nuts, berries and seeds.

You try to cross a rushing stream. One cub washed downstream. Lose 1 turn.

You're eating, growing and wandering in your home range. The bear lifel!

You wander into someone's yard and pull down a bird feeder. Go back 1 space.

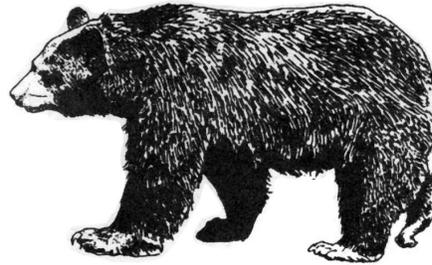
You wander into someone's yard and pull apart a bag of trash. Go back 2 spaces.

Bear Biologists visit homeowner and bird feeders must be removed. Lose 1 turn.

A dog chases you - you quickly learn how to climb a tree. Go back 2 spaces.

A BEAR OF A GAME

Grab a few friends and play this fun game to learn more about black bears!



You wander into a State Park with lots of habitat! Move ahead 3 spaces!

You learn to eat skunk cabbage — to aid digestion! Move ahead 2 spaces!

How to Play: You need 1 dice, 2-4 players and your playing pieces (pebbles, sticks or nuts).

You wander into a campsite—eat all leftover food and leave a BIG mess!

MAY
It's your first time away from the den with sow (mother).

- 1) Each cub (player) must roll a 3 in order to move away from the **Birth Den (START)**.
- 2) Cubs move around the board learning to survive as a black bear. There are many challenges!

You wander into another campsite. No food here. Go back 1 space.

APRIL
Bears first emerge from den.

Object: Be the first cub to move around the board and reach maturity. You are then on your own to face the world as an adult black bear!

You find a marsh with lots to eat — berries, insects and plants. YUM!

MARCH

Black Bears are primarily found in Maryland's western counties (Allegany, Frederick, Garrett & Washington).

You wander into residential areas. No food here! Go back 3 spaces.

FEBRUARY

The **Birth Den** is the brushy top of a large tree which blew down a few years ago. Typically, three cubs are born to the sow (mother bear) in January. They will move together through their home range for the next 14–16 months.



You wander across a busy highway and get hit by a car. Sorry, you are out.

START
Birth Den
Use pebbles, sticks, or nuts for your cubs.

Sow allows young bears go out on their own!
YOU MADE IT!

Bears emerge. You wander and look for grubs.

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Hibernation time! Bears den together in a rock pile.

Unfortunately, a poacher kills you.
Sorry, you are out.

You find a farm with a big corn field—stay and fill your belly with corn!