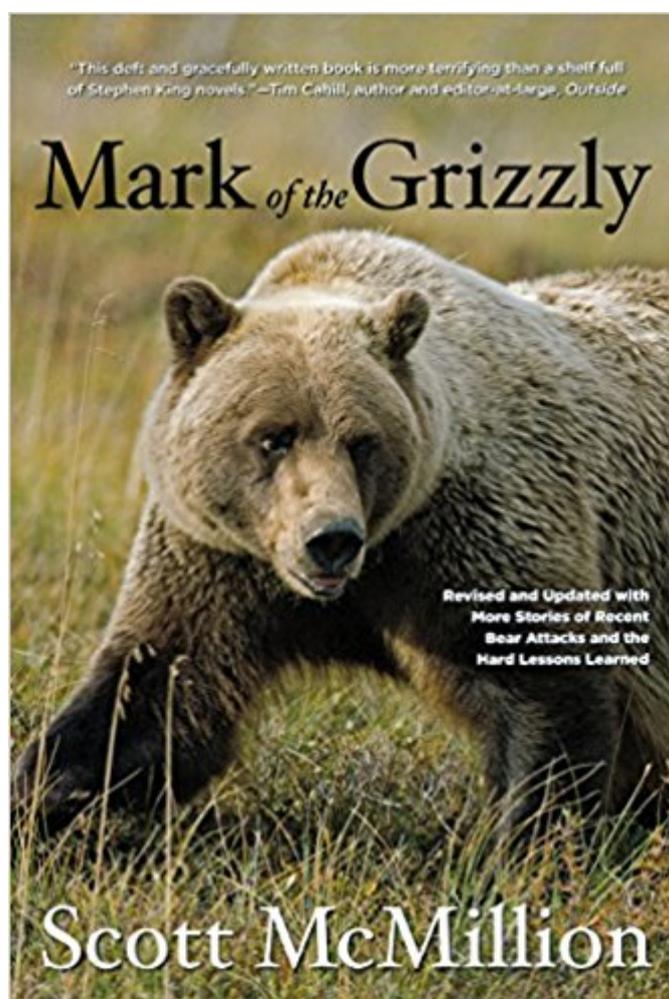


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A must-read about these magnificent but sometimes deadly creatures—thoroughly revised, expanded, and updated

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Every year, millions of people travel to grizzly country, hoping for a glimpse of the Great Bear. And every year, somebody is attacked. The power of the grizzly is almost mythical and has become the stuff of legend. Mark of the Grizzly relies on neither myth nor legend. Rather, it relies on the true accounts of dozens of attacks, from Yellowstone National Park to Alaska, from 1977 to 2010. Author Scott McMillion examines each attack and its aftermath, interviewing victims, survivors, and investigators. Hikers, photographers, hunters, scientists, and others tell their stories here, offering what they have learned and the lessons that others should know. Neither mysteries nor tales of horror, these stories create a world of wonder, respect, and fear that make for a book you'll find hard to put down. In the thirteen years since Mark of the Grizzly first appeared, DNA science has revolutionized how people study bears and how they investigate attacks. Growing populations of grizzlies and people have led to more bear/human encounters—some fatal—and grizzlies now wander parts of the West where they hadn't been seen for decades. This new edition includes a thorough update of existing material and new or expanded

chapters that cover: The recent attacks around Yellowstone National Park and Anchorage, Alaska, which have generated national headlines. The increased popularity of mountain biking and trail running in grizzly country. Are such sports advisable there? Bear populations expanding into the prairies of Montana and Wyoming, far from the expected mountain locales. "Bear Men." People who get too close to bears, and sometimes die in their jaws. The book includes a profile of Timothy Treadwell, subject of the movie Grizzly Man. The continuing phenomenon of "dinner bell" grizzlies.

These are wonderful books, great stories and very informative too. I've never been in the wild or been near wild animals except at a zoo. I respect all animals. I feel certain if I was driving through a natural wild life park, I would not have the desire to get out of my vehicle to PET a grizzly bear, if I saw one from the road. Absolutely amazing such story told. Some people are just completely brainless. I've also read the 1st addition...very good.

If I could give this ten stars, I would. I love to read but have trouble finishing books because I'm always on the go. However, I literally cannot put this book down! I read it while I eat, cook, brush my teeth, wash up, do chores, exercise, etc. No, I don't read it while I drive, but I wish I could. Obviously, I'm not a grizzly expert, but this book seems to be extremely well-researched, based on a variety of experts, which include Park Rangers and Hunters with years of experience, grizzly experts, scientists/environmentalist-types, and first-hand witnesses. The book provides a terrific amount of "best practices" for being in grizzly country, plus the science/reasoning behind the best practices. For example, my boyfriend has told me not to scream or run when I see a grizzly, but never told me why. Thanks to this book, now I know why I shouldn't scream or run which would be my natural instinct. This knowledge makes me feel more confident about my upcoming visit to grizzly country. This book has some graphic gory-ness, but I am a big fan of gore/scary movies, etc. so it doesn't bother me a bit. Before I read this book, I started having weird grizzly dreams, but now I don't and I think it's because my dreams were based on the "unknown" so my dreaming mind would wander. Now that I'm educated, there's no room for crazy dreams. I'll admit that I have had some weak moments, lying in bed, thinking about my upcoming visit to grizzly country and letting my mind wander to horrible, deadly grizzly fantasies, but then I think about this book and reign my imagination in. Anyone with any interest in grizzlies or with an upcoming trip to grizzly country should def read this book (skip over the gory parts if necessary) as part of their preparation. The author is an excellent writer-he keeps you on the edge of your seat biting your nails, but is factual, respectful,

presents many different viewpoints of "experts" and doesn't ramble on too much about anything in particular, so you never get bored. He also seems quite respectful to the family and victims. The only caveat is that there is a chapter in the beginning of the book that is so poorly written in terms of grammar, etc. that I wondered whether someone else wrote that chapter or the author didn't have time to edit. But perhaps I'm mistaken and was just distracted while I read and ate my breakfast. Cannot wait to read more grizzly books!

This was a great book that I breezed through quickly because of the intrigue I have with these beautiful, majestic animals and the reminder of the terror they can bring if you find yourself in the wrong place at the wrong time or are just plain careless. I thoroughly appreciate the stories told by the survivors that have been mauled, almost to death and I feel I have learned a lot by reading this book.

Difficult to say "enjoyed" when so many stories of injuries and deaths are related, but the author wrote in a way that held my interest. Particularly liked his bringing the book up-to-date by letting us know how many of the people involved are getting along years after their bear encounters. I would recommend to anyone interested in wilderness activities and Yellowstone, as well as those who have an interest in bears. Sometimes hard not to feel sadness for some of the bears; they're not intrinsically evil, just animals in their natural habitat.

Good read! This was a thoughtfully written book, that kept me riveted. I also have no plans of hiking in Grizzly country now either..LOL But I really appreciate how people who have been maimed by bears, still have compassion for them. That is how it should be. But they still scare me, especially since so little is truly known about their motives for attacking..Some I understand, such as protecting their young, or food. But some just seem so random.

Very good book that is a must read for anyone spending time in bear country ! The book was exciting to read while also being accurate and backed by evidence and data. Much of the information, especially about grizzly bears, is counter-intuitive and therefore super important to learn. I found this book, and Herrero's book, very useful for wilderness travel in the Alaskan wilderness -- where I encountered many Brown Bears and felt safe and confident based on what I learned in the book. A suggestion, before you go a wilderness trip into bear habitat (especially grizzly bears) require every member of your trip to read this book and Herrero's book, then talk

about together so that the group is on the same page. Fear of bears can drive very poor decision making when in the wilderness, respect of, and knowledge of, the bears is what works well. This book does a great job of teaching this. It helped me learn a lot.

I have read many Grizzly books and visited Alaska 5 times. The anecdotal accounts were chilling but also informative. This book was not easy to put down even when my eyelids wanted to close. I highly recommend it. Some other Grizzly books are more like lectures. This author is much more readable.

Excellent book--very intense and interesting. It proves that people need to maintain a healthy respect for wildlife.

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