

What to Do When You Encounter a Free Roaming Dog



Free roaming dogs live in the open and do not have homes. They may be seen foraging for food and looking for shelter. They may bark at you if they think that you are a threat to their safety.

Free roaming dogs are usually scared of and will avoid humans. However, some may approach you.

Here are some tips on what you can do when you encounter free roaming dogs:



- ✓ Remain calm and be quiet.
- ✓ Stop whatever you are doing immediately.
- ✓ Give the dog space by walking away from it.
- ✗ Do not stare at the dog.
- ✗ Do not run.
- ✗ Do not make any sudden movements or chase the dog as it may feel threatened and attack.



- ✓ If you have a young child with you, carry him/her.
- ✗ Do not try to chase or hit the dog.



- ✓ Signal to passers-by for assistance. Strength in numbers may deter the dog(s) from approaching you.



Disclaimer: As not every dog behaves the same way, you are advised to react appropriately considering the circumstances.