

# CAUTION About Deer!

More Deer-Related Injuries Are Occurring!



Butting



Dashing



Kicking



Biting

**Do not carelessly touch or approach the deer!**

**Do not let your child approach the deer alone!**

Nara Prefecture, Nara City, Kasuga Taisha Shrine





# For your safe and enjoyable visit to Nara Park

The deer in Nara Park are wild animals. Their behavior is unpredictable. Please be careful.

## ◎ Watch out for injuries!

Please do not carelessly touch or go up to the deer.

It is particularly dangerous during the spring when does get nervous while protecting their fawns and also during the autumn mating season when stags get aggressive.

## ◎ Do not litter!

The deer can die from eating litter.

Please never leave your litter in the park, instead bring it back home.

## ◎ Watch out for the sudden movements from the deer!

The deer may run into the road or pavement suddenly.



## ◎ Protect the deer!

Nara's deer are designated as a natural monument of Japan.

Do not hit or chase them, or try to ride a deer.

Hurting deer on purpose may be punished by law.



Polyethylene garbage found in a dead deer's stomach  
(Courtesy of the Nara Deer Preservation Foundation)



## How to give deer crackers



### Do not leave your young children alone!

It is dangerous for a young child to go close to a deer alone!



### Watch out for other deer!

Deer will swarm around people who have deer crackers.



### Watch out for your belongings!

Put valuables and small items in a bag and hold it tightly.



### Do not tantalize the deer!

The deer will bite you and your clothes if you are slow to feed them.



### Do not feed them anything other than crackers!

Confectionery, bread, vegetables, leftover food will result in a stomach ache for the deer. (Deer crackers are safe snacks for the deer.)



### Give a "deer signal"!

When you have given all the crackers away, let the deer know that feeding is over by spreading your empty palms in front of them.

