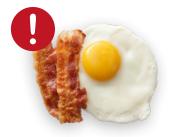




African swine fever and foot-and-mouth disease could be introduced into Australia through feral pigs eating human food.







Never leave your food waste in the bush.

Going camping? Don't let feral pigs meet with meat

Campers, hikers, bushwalkers, fishers, mountain bike riders, rock climbers and all people who spend time in the bush are urged to put food scraps in a secure bin or take them home.

The world is currently grappling with the largest ever outbreak of **African swine fever**, a highly contagious virus that causes death in pigs.

People can't contract the virus, but they can spread the disease by leaving human food that contains meat or has had contact with meat where feral pigs can access it.

There's a significant risk that African swine fever and the devastating livestock disease, foot-and-mouth disease, could be introduced into WA's feral pig population and be spread to farmed pigs. This would have serious impacts on our livestock industries and our export markets.

When spending time in the bush, it's essential you:

- Put scraps in a secure bin or take them home.
- Don't bury scraps or leave them for native animals to eat.
- Store rubbish away from where feral pigs can get to it.

It's also important to report any dead feral pigs or feral pigs that look sick, by calling the Emergency Animal Disease hotline immediately on **1800 675 888**.

For more information, visit agric.wa.gov.au/camping







Feral pigs can rip into rubbish bags or dig up buried food to get to food scraps. Store rubbish away from where feral pigs can get to it.

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