

Our Philosophy on baby animals

Return2Wild exists to give orphaned wildlife a second chance, not impact their best chance.

When it comes to baby animals the truth is, no matter how good our intentions or interventions, nothing replaces momma!

The best rescue is when a 'suspected' orphaned baby is successfully reunited with mom. At Return2Wild, this is a priority **a**

Our #1 goal is to educate our community on:

- when a baby animal needs assistance vs. when they are really 'OK'.
- when and how to effectively reunite a baby animal with its mom.
- when and how to safely rescue a true orphan that needs to be brought to a wildlife rehabilitator.

Our Philosophy on ill or injured wildlife

Return2Wild exists to give ill and injured wildlife a second chance to live as nature intended.

When it comes to ill or injured wild animals the truth is, it is often the result of human activity, albeit mostly unintentional.

Illnesses or injuries most often seen in wildlife: unintended victims of rodenticide poisoning (the fox eats the mouse that ate the rat poison), lead poisoning (the eagle eats the fish that swallowed the lead gunshot pellets), window strikes, and encounters resulting from limited habitat (domestic animal attacks and hit by car).

When illnesses are <u>naturally occurring</u>, such as a fox with mange, we intervene only when the animal can no longer fend for itself, must depend on humans for food, or when the animal is suffering.

Our #1 goal is to educate our community on:

- how to identify when an injured or ill animal needs human help.
- when, who, and how to legally and safely, capture a wild animal in need of help, so it may be brought to a wildlife rehabilitator.
- how to mitigate the negative impacts of human activity on wildlife and their habitat.

Our Belief on wildlife and the people with whom they live

At Return2Wild, we believe:

- wild animals should remain wild.
- nature does a pretty good job balancing itself, although nature is not always kind.
- wildlife is best served when humans understand their importance and protect and preserve their habitat.
- humans and wild animals can peacefully and joyfully coexist.
- human knowledge, kindness, and compassion are essential when nature is-in-need of a helping hand.
- most people really care, have the best of intentions, and want to do the right thing
- when an animal comes to us, they will receive expert care, compassion, and the right to ... Return2Wild!

🎔 THANK YOU FOR CARING ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY'S WILDLIFE 🎔