

# Welcome to the European bison of the Thal!

By crossing this fence you enter the project area of “Wisent Thal”. The project aims to investigate whether free-ranging bison are sustainable in the Jura. The bison are therefore kept in a large enclosure, which is freely accessible.

Bison are basically shy and gentle animals. However, if they are disturbed or prevented from their natural behaviour (e.g. protecting their calves), they can become dangerous. We therefore recommend to follow the rules of behaviour below!

## Rules of behaviour in the bison enclosure:

- Stay on the paths.
- Keep dogs on a short leash (except in dangerous situations).
- Do not walk or drive through the herd.
- Keep a distance of at least 50 m to the bison.
- Stay away from young animals – bison cows protect their calves.
- Increase the distance between you and the animals, if a bison
  - stares at you and shakes its head or scrapes the ground with its hooves, or
  - if it lowers its head and moves towards you.
- Increase the distance calmly, slowly and do not turn your back on the bison.
- Feeding the bison is not allowed.
- For help, call +41 77 442 90 88 (Benjamin Brunner, Wisent-Ranger).

