How to use your Kookaburra Caller

Kookaburra calls vary in length and pattern but are continuous, lasting about 6 -10 seconds. Do not pause between the steps for a genuine sounding call.

STEP 1

Place hand **flat** on a table with thumb extended outward to form a **V**. Keep other fingers together.

STEP 2

Place Caller with the mouthpiece (bevelled opening) facing upwards in the \mathbf{V} , standing vertically upright.

STEP 3

Grip the Caller in the **V**, pick it up and make a **fist**. Your hand becomes an extension of the Caller.

STEP 4

Take a deep breath. Place Caller to mouth and exhale while whispering rapidly **t-t-t-t-t-t-t** or alternately **koo-koo-koo-koo** continuously... *See Technical Note below.

STEP 5

After 2-3 seconds, slowly open the hand out to change the pitch while continuing to whisper **t-t-t-t**, or alternatively, switch the **koo-koo** calls to **ka-ka-ka-ka**, for another 2-3 seconds approximately...

Step 6

Slowly close the hand again, back to the fist position continuing the **t-t-t-t**, or **ka-ka-ka-ka-ka** calls...

STEP 7

Once back in the fist position, **finish off** the Kookaburra Call with more **t-t-t-t** sounds, or switch back from **ka-ka-ka-ka-ka-ka** to **koo-koo-koo-koo** calls for another few seconds.

*TECHNICAL NOTE:

For a more powerful call, it helps to **force out** air by pulling the stomach muscles inwards. A breathing technique used by singers and musicians.

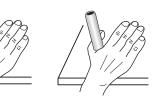
Advanced **M**ethod

If you can roll your Rs (*RRRRRR*), introduce this at the beginning of a call for a more authentic sound.

Happy Calling! P.T.O. for other callers!

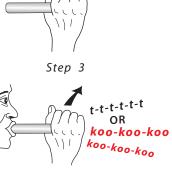
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Step 2

Step 1



Step 4









How to use your **AUSSIE BUSH Bird CallerS**

Bird Callers (the one with the stick)

First blow into this whistle, move the stick up and down & basically play around and discover the sounds you can make with this whistle. As an exercise say words like "today" "yesterday" and "Wangarratta". Look up some other words in the street directory , dictionary or atlas. If you can roll the letter RRRRRRR or growl from the back of you throat you can create some more interesting sounds also. Move the stick fast or slowJust try different things. Try playing your favorite tune!!

Owl/Lune Callers (Large one with hole at back)

On this caller we have a hole on the middle to half way to the bottom section which can be used to vary the tone of the caller. Blow into the caller and move your finger up and down this hole or rub your finger across the hole as you blow into it. A sample of one way of creating an owl sound is to cover the nominated hole on the owl caller and blow two puffs and you have an owl blow two puffs extremely hard in a similar rhythm and you have a train whistle. As an exercise say words like "today" "yesterday" and "Wangarratta". Look up some other words in the street directory , dictionary or atlas. If you can roll the letter RRRRRRR or growl from the back of you throat you can create some more interesting sounds also.

Duck Callers (Barrel shape with reed inside)

With your whistle in one hand take your other hand and make a fist with it. Then place the bottom tip only of the duck caller into the top of your fist. Leave a small gap only at the bottom end of your fist to allow a small amount of air to flow through. Now blow through the top end of the duck caller. What you are essentially doing is bottling up the sound as you are blowing through the duck caller. Next while you are blowing slowly open up your fist and then slowly close it to its original position. This will give you an advanced duck sound.

Chicken Callers (Small coloured one)

Blow first to discover its unique sound..... Blow again & say COCKA-DOODLE-DOOO.....HEY-CHOOK-CHOOK.....CHOOK-CHOOK-CHOOKAAA... If you can roll the letter RRRRRRRR you can make the sounds of say a fairy penguin or a motor cycle, or try growling from the back of your throat.

Rainforest Caller (Small cylinder shape with narrow tube extending on angle forming y shape and with hole on side and coloured pom pom at tip)

Face one of your hands upward so your palm faces the sky. With your thumb and fore finger grab hold of the rainforest whistle from the bottom . The top of the rainforest whistle has a hole in the center of its large tube with the narrow tube protruding at an angle from the top of the whistle. Make your first sounds by blowing through the narrow tube. Now place your thumb and forefinger each on either end of the large tube blocking some of the air flow directing all the air out through the small hole at the top centre of the large cylinder of the whistle . Now repeatedly let go and grab both ends of the whistle blocking and unblocking both ends of the whistle while blowing and after trying this say TAH TAH TAH while blocking and blocking the ends of the whistle. Try also whispering words like TODAY TODAY YESTERDAY and TICKET TO QUEENSLAND



Happy Calling! P.T.O. for Kookaburra Caller instructions.

To Order more Bird Callers: Visit our website at <u>www.birdcallers.com</u> Or Email Sol the Whistle Man at <u>birdcallers@hotmail.com</u>

WARNING! - Choking hazard.

Not suitable for children under four years of age. These whistles are not toys. They are musical instruments.



