





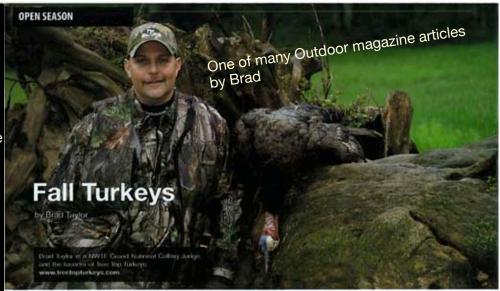




Background

Brad Taylor of Tree Top Turkeys possesses one of the largest known digitally recorded libraries of real wild turkeys taken in their natural habitat. Brad has 30 years of deer and turkey hunting experience; while hunting is his first love, he still finds time to conduct hunting and calling seminars, guide hunts, and introduce beginners to hunting. Brad has also competed in and judged all major turkey calling contests including The NWTF Grand Nationals, The World Championships, The US Open, and The Masters. "Tree Top Turkeys Volume One" hit the market January 2004. This audio CD project containing only real wild turkeys recorded in the wild has been very successful with beginners and advanced turkey hunters alike. In 2005 Brad completed another popular project called "Turkeys to Learn By" for Cody Turkey Calls which is an instructional audio CD designed and formatted to teach hunters how to call. This CD also contains only real wild turkey recordings. Brad joined WoodHaven Custom Calls' prostaff and in 2006 Brad and the Sting Team produced "<u>Get Real</u> "for the second volume in the Tree Top Turkeys audio CD series containing only real wild turkey recordings with narratives from Brad and the WoodHaven Sting Team. Brad consulted and supplied audio to the "NWTF Identiflyer", which is a hand held device with real turkey recordings. Brad and his wife, Dreama, collaborated to script and coordinate a useful guide book listing many tips and strategies to aide beginners as well as advanced hunters. The products produced and created by Brad have been sold in all major outdoor sporting goods stores such as Cabela's, Bass Pro Outdoor World, Dicks Sporting Goods, and Gander Mountain.

Brad uses his hunting experiences combined with his love for the Lord to present a powerful multimedia presentation geared towards winning souls. Brad presents the plan of salvation in a very simple easy to follow presentation. Brad has shared at wild game dinners and Christian hunter outreach programs all over and he is ready and eager to share God's word to your group as well.



As I reached the ridge and caught my breath, the mixed flock of jakes, hens and gobblers had drifted to the east, heading toward a large opening. I called, but could not turn the flock. I knew I had to get close enough to get a good scatter...

Fall turkey hunting is one of my favorite venues. In fact, fall is the original time of year turkey hunters went afield to chase gobblers. A successful fall gobbler hunt can be one of the most challenging hunts whether you choose a gun or a bow. Unlike spring gobblers, who have mating first and foremost on their minds, fall gobblers are usually found among "buddy" flocks, with food forage and survival keeping them busy. Just as in spring, scouting and locating those large fall and early winter flocks are key factors to a delicious wild turkey Thankseiving dinner.

There are several tactics that can be implemented on a fall flock: scattering or busting up the flock, setting-up and calling, or many times you may have opportunity to use a combination of all these tactics. Once you locate a fall flock, position yourself to call the flock into your set-up. If this fails, however, all is not lost. The flock scatter is a very popular fall tactic, but it must be done correctly to be successful. If at all possible, try to identify the flock mix since this will help you call the flock back in after the scatter. This tactic uses the family bond, "safety in numbers", which turkeys of all ages naturally share. Turkeys don't feel threatened when they are gathered with siblings, peers, and parents.

In order to pull off a successful scatter, the hunter must get close to the turkeys and then completely wreak havoc on their peaceful world. The main objective of the scatter is to have each turkey fly off in a different direction. Once the turkeys are scattered in all directions, quickly set up close to where the initial scatter took place. (Sometimes turkeys will fly into trees and keep an eye on you. If you see them in the trees, it's best to flush them out, since they can alert the others of your presence.)

Once you're set up and comfortable, delay calling until the first turkey's call is heard, then cut loose and let all the turkeys know where you are.

You can use the entire wild turkey vocabulary in the fall; nothing is off limits. But your "meat" calls will be the Kee-Kee Run, the Cluck, the Plain and Excited Yelp, and the Adult Hen Assembly Yelpi. The assembly yelping of the adult hen is a series of loud yelps that is used to assemble the hen's flock. Beware, since the assembly yelping of the brood hen herself can end your chances of calling a bird to your setup during a fall hunt, because the flock will quickly assemble to her. If you hear the brood hen yelping close to your set-up, you need to run her off, or your hunt is over. The turkeys in this flock know her voice, and you will never convince them to come your way instead.

Back to my hunt ... I scattered the flock, and turkeys went in every direction. The first call I heard was a Jake yelp. As I mimicked this young gobbler, the other long-beards began to re-group by gobbling. It felt like spring. What a thrill! As I rolled that gobbler with a swarm of #5°s, memories of my past spring hunts seemed like yesterday.



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Family:

Wife: Dreama

Son: Zac

Daughter: Callie and Erica

Profession: Audio and Video Producer, Videographer,

Author, Host, Professional Guide, Speaker, Promoter, Call

Maker, Engineer.

Published and Projects:

Tree Top Turkeys Vol. 1

Tree Top Turkeys Vol. 2 Get Real

Tree Top Turkeys Volume 3 Straight from the Woods

Turkeys to Learn By -Cody Turkey Calls

'For The Birds" The NWTF Identiflyer

"Lord of the Spring" released Spring 2010

Sponsors and Products

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Outdoor Ministry Network - Consultant

Midwest Turkey Call Supply





Youth hunt in Kentucky to be aired on the next WoodHaven Spring Time Victories video project



Brad setting up and preparing his equipment and calls for another interesting Multi Media presentation filled with video and calling demonstrations



Another 4 year old educated Ohio public land goobler, taken on a beautiful spring morning. Advanced tactics on tough gobblers is covered in Brad's presentation.

References available upon request

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This old Tennessee Tom was taken while hunting with Brad's close friend Jason Cruise of OMN and Outdoor Nation.



Another successful hunt in Kentucky on film taken late season as breeding is slowing down but this dominate long bread was still on the prowl.



Brad tabulating a score as he judges the NWTF Grand Nationals Seniors calling Championship in Nashville Tennessee.

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