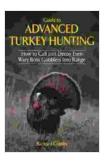
### How To Call And Decoy Even Wary Boss Gobblers Into Range

Calling and decoying turkeys is an art form that takes practice and patience. But when it comes to calling and decoying boss gobblers, the stakes are even higher. These are the biggest, oldest, and most experienced gobblers in the woods, and they're not going to come running to just any call or decoy.



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That's why it's important to have a solid understanding of turkey behavior and to use the right techniques when calling and decoying boss gobblers. In this article, we'll cover everything you need to know about calling and decoying boss gobblers, from the basics to the advanced techniques.

#### **Understanding Turkey Behavior**

Before you can start calling and decoying turkeys, it's important to have a basic understanding of their behavior. Here are a few key things to keep in

mind:

- Turkeys are social animals that live in flocks. The flock is led by a dominant male, known as the boss gobbler.
- Boss gobblers are typically the biggest and oldest gobblers in the flock.
  They are also the most experienced and wary.
- Turkeys have excellent eyesight and hearing. They are also very sensitive to movement.
- Turkeys are most active in the early morning and late afternoon.

#### **Calling Turkeys**

There are a variety of different turkey calls that you can use to attract gobblers. The most common calls are:

- Cluck: This is a soft, low-pitched call that imitates the sound of a hen turkey. It is used to attract gobblers from a distance.
- Yelp: This is a louder, more aggressive call that imitates the sound of a hen turkey that is ready to mate. It is used to entice gobblers that are within sight.
- Purr: This is a soft, continuous call that imitates the sound of a hen turkey that is content. It is used to keep gobblers close once they have been called in.
- Kee-kee: This is a high-pitched call that imitates the sound of a hen turkey that is lost. It is used to locate turkeys that are not visible.

When calling turkeys, it is important to be patient and persistent. Gobblers may not always come running to your calls right away. But if you keep

calling, you will eventually get their attention.

#### **Decoying Turkeys**

In addition to calling turkeys, you can also use decoys to attract them. Decoys are life-like representations of turkeys that are used to fool gobblers into thinking that there is a real hen turkey nearby.

There are a variety of different turkey decoys available on the market. The most common types of decoys are:

- Hen decoys: These decoys imitate the appearance of a hen turkey.
  They are used to attract gobblers that are looking for a mate.
- Jake decoys: These decoys imitate the appearance of a young male turkey. They are used to attract gobblers that are looking for a fight.
- Strutting decoys: These decoys imitate the appearance of a gobbler that is strutting. They are used to attract gobblers that are looking for a fight or to show off to a hen.

When using decoys, it is important to place them in a realistic location. Gobblers are more likely to approach decoys that are placed in an open area where they can see them. You should also try to place your decoys in a way that creates a natural scene. For example, you might place a hen decoy near a feeding area, or a jake decoy near a strutting area.

#### Calling and Decoying Boss Gobblers

Now that you have a basic understanding of turkey behavior, calling turkeys, and decoying turkeys, you're ready to start calling and decoying boss gobblers. Here are a few tips to help you get started:

- Be patient: Boss gobblers are not going to come running to your calls or decoys right away. Be patient and persistent, and eventually you will get their attention.
- Use the right calls: When calling boss gobblers, it is important to use the right calls. The most effective calls for boss gobblers are the cluck, the yelp, and the purr.
- Use decoys: Decoys can be a very effective way to attract boss gobblers. When using decoys, be sure to place them in a realistic location and create a natural scene.
- Be careful: Boss gobblers are very wary birds. If you make any sudden movements or noises, they will likely spook and run away. Be careful and move slowly and quietly.

Calling and decoying boss gobblers is a challenging but rewarding experience. By following the tips in this article, you can increase your chances of success. Just remember to be patient, persistent, and careful, and you will eventually be able to call and decoy even the most wary boss gobblers into range.



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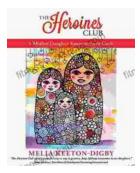
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