

Animal Sounds

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There is nothing more chilling than the sound of animals fighting. I once went golfing in St. Thomas , and one night I heard it at some time long past midnight. It was the animal sounds of two cats trying to tear each other to pieces, and when I first heard it, if only for a moment, I was quite convinced that I was going to die. Even worse animal sounds come from cats in heat. If you have never heard this sound, consider yourself one of the fortunate. Those who do lose something inside. It is such an awful wailing that I am quite sure that I never did recover from hearing it!

Of course, many animal sounds are quite pleasant. They are even musical or soothing. I have downloaded many sounds of animals on to my computer. Some of the smaller ones I use as event sounds. For example, every time I open a file, it plays the sound of an owl hooting. But some of the longer animal sounds, I will just listen too and enjoy for their pleasant musical feel. I have a tape of loon calls that I love to listen to right before I go to bed. It plays the haunting echo of loons on the lake, calling back and forth together, along the echoing trees of the shore. There is nothing like animal sounds to make you feel back in touch with the pulse of nature, while simultaneously allowing you to remain in the comfortable setting of your own room in your own house.

My favorite animal sounds, though, are usually the howls of wolfs, dogs, coyotes, and similar critters. I know that that might sound strange to you, but I grew up in a very rural area. My little sister was scared of the animal sounds of the wolves up in the woods, but I always found them soothing. When my family moved in to the city, I found that i just simply could not fall asleep without hearing some kind of animal sounds. Although the suburban street was pretty quiet, the sounds of animals at night were really sorely missed. I could not even get to sleep at night some nights with no animal sounds to lull me as I dozed off in my bed. There is really no substitute for the sounds of wild animals if you want something that is wild and relaxing at the same time, something that makes you think about the great expanse of the out of doors.