



# Frog Sound Cheat Sheet

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#### American Toad (Bufo americanus)

High pitch long lasting trill. Throaty squeaks or chirps that are quick to be repeated.

# Bull Frog (Rana catesbeiana) UNUSUAL

Small airplanes zooming by (rumm...rumm). Lower in tone. Abrupt spit-like aggressive sounds phphoot!

## Cope's Gray Treefrog (Hyla chrysoecelis)

Short trill that is higher in pitch than the gray treefrog, stays fairly close in tone.

#### Gray Treefrog (Hyla versicolor)

Short melodic trill that repeats every few seconds either going slightly up or down and is medium in tone. Short higher pitched trill to show aggression.

#### Green Frog (Rana clamitans)

Kid banjo plucks (gunk.gunk gunk gunk). Medium in tone. Lower ru-u-u-ng sound with a single staccato gunk and also eeks when alarmed.

#### Northern Cricket Frog (Acris crepitans) RARE

Sounds like the clicking together of small metallic balls (giiiick), starts slow and speeds up by end of call.

#### Northern Leopard Frog (Rana pipiens)

Sort of low tone knocking or a deep throat sound of 'ahhhh', then shorter noises. Rattling snore lasting about three seconds and usually followed by various grunts or chuckling notes. **Spring Peeper** (*Pseudacris crucifer*) High pitched (peep peeper) about 1 per second. Also does a high pitched warning trill and short peep.

### Western Chorus Frog (Pseudacris triseriata)

Noise like running thumb along the teeth of a comb (creeeek) repeat 1 to 2 sec.

**Wood Frog** (*Rana sylvatica*) Hiccup type of noise (r r racket) or a duck like quacking (crack-a-hack-a-hack)