
This thing ate my throwball

Posted by kinooni - 01/02/2007 11:04pm

Just like out of science fiction movie, I was climbing just south of seattle and while advancing my rope I snag one of these guys with my throwball, he held on to it and I got so scared that I dropped my throwline. I then went down to the ground and my throwline and weight was gone. Anyone else ever come across this type of thing in the tree?

<http://zapatopi.net/treeoctopus/>

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Tree octopus

Posted by TreeTramp - 01/03/2007 07:36am

Yeah sure, I get it now.

Once I was aloft with my two climbing partners: Jimmy Hoffa and Big Foot and we were looking for jackalopes using prop wash as bait.

So here comes along a friend from Scotland, Nessie from the Loch riding in a pumpkin carriage pulled by four Unicorns.

So we asked them if they knew about the tree climbing Octopus- and the reply was:

Fact is stranger than Fiction.

WOW what a remarkable creature- Thanks!

Treeramp

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You solved a problem!

Posted by Treeman - 01/06/2007 10:00am

Mighty kind of you to solve a problem I encountered. There has been more than one occasion where I have lost a throw bag in one of the Northwest tall trees. This is a plausible explanation of where things can go high in the crown of a tree. I did not get a positive species identification however. Many of my high throws are at such height in tight branch cover can render visual sightings impossible. A couple of my lines returned slimy however (minus weight). A banana slug or octopus? This I am not certain of.

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Posted by Wild Bill - 02/16/2007 09:08am

My business partner, the one and only Alice Lou Cornshucker, patron goddess of recreational and research tree climbers everywhere, is offering a \$5 bounty on each tree octopus.

"I done got the right recipes for them things," Alice Lou said. "First there's ceviche con octopus arbol, and then there's tree octopus au gratin, and finally I done come up with grilled Pacific tree octopus."

She said all Pacific tree octopuses should be shipped on ice by UPS or FedEx to the following address: Alice Lou's Fine Breakfast Emporium and Chainsaw Repair Shoppe, 111 North Bypass Highway, Hockalugie, Mississippi USA.

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Posted by Sitka - 02/17/2007 01:51am

little guy is just lookin for his home

http://www.capemeareslighthouse.org/Octopus_Tree/octopus_tree.html

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Ive seen this species before!

Posted by TreeBird - 05/07/2007 09:33pm

It has been spotted several times in my backyard. My dog really enjoys playing with it. Do you think he could hurt this little guy?

<http://zapatopi.net/treeoctopus/sighting.marcl.jpg>

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