

Sage Grouse Boogie

Your Zoo Saving Species ... Now Let's Dance!

Did you know that the Calgary Zoo has been working with a team of partners to breed and release critically endangered greater-sage grouse back into Alberta?

The male captive bred birds will eventually join wild born males during spring in areas called 'leks'. Here the males establish a territory and have dance offs to impress the females. It's time for you to master the greater-sage grouse boogie! Do you have anything you could use as a costume? Get ready and go...

Step 1: Get your tail spread out wide and tall!



Step 2: Pull your wings up and tight and lower your head towards your chest.



Step 3: Time to puff up your chest air sacs and bob your head!

When you inflate your air sacs it makes a special sound, what will your sound be?



Step 4: Take a pause, then repeat step 1 to 3 vigorously!

