

## Bye-bye Birdie, Parte Deux



*The 'Jug Monster' is duly added to our list of bird deterrents slated for testing.*

I came up with the "Jug Monster" on a guest mooring at Black Rock Yacht Club, Conn., a few years back.

One very much too-early morning, an annoyingly cheerful group of noisy little birds kept landing on the bow pulpit. I only wanted one more hour of sleep, just one more hour.

Feeling very birdicidal and ready to start throwing winch handles, I came up with this instead. It worked!

Big, gooney eyes on all four sides and a toothy grin all around. I know, I know. It looks very silly to most humans. Apparently not to

birds, though. That first one was so remarkably effective that since then, I've made lots of them and watched all kinds of birds heading for my rig fearfully twist around in the air to get away.

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