



Great Horned Owl Family Re-United



This Great Horned Owl baby was brought to The Bird Rescue Center after being found below its nest in Healdsburg, CA being just a little too young to be down on the ground. It was determined by feather growth to be 30 days old with only some light abrasions from the trip down the tree.



Luckily while the nest site was being scoped



out, it was discovered that 2 more fuzzy heads were in the nest and both parents diligently watching nearby. Just 1 week later, the baby, tree-climber, Raptor Release Team, and photographer were all ready to get this youngster back up the 40-foot tree. The nest needed replacing as the back was flat and mostly compacted old casting material. We took the siblings down, did quick health checks on them, affixed a more stable nest back into position and placed all 3 siblings in together again. Hopefully they'll wait a little longer before coming back down!

Photos of the nesting process are courtesy of Michael Leahy and the ones looking down in the nest were taken by the tree-climber Seamus Quinn, of Merlin's Tree and Farm Care.



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These babies could be returned to their own nest, but we have 100's of other birds currently in house that don't have that possibility. [Click here](#) to donate to our Aviary Campaign to help us insure they get proper housing, flight practice, and foraging behavior that their parents can no longer teach them.