Creatures – Construction Kit

Installation:

1. Copy the files from the CD / DVDs to your hard drive
2. Unpack the zip files
3. Import the files to you library management system

Tipps and Tricks:

Audio Management Systems

We included extensive metadata within the sound files. The metadata is optimized for Soundminer (http://www.soundminer.com). There are lots of good audio management systems out there. Most of them are able to read the description included in the sound files. This, and the name of the files, is the most important information you will need. We strongly recommend using metadata, because it is much more effecient.

Metadata

The most important thing is to know your library. Using metadata lets you define your searches to get exactly what you are looking for. Here are some techniques for the *Creatures – Construction Kit*:

1. The simplest search would be for filenames. If you need a roar, search for *roar*. If you need a hiss sound, search for *hiss.*
2. Search for characteristics. We added four ways to do that:
    a. Size: search for *tiny, small*, *medium* and *large* to find files matching this criteria.

b. Frequencies: use the words *high*, *mid* and *low* to find files sounding darker or brighter.
c. Duration: *short, average* and *long* characterizes how long the single actions in a specific sound is.
d. Action: this is the most extensive category. Following the keywords for the sound type:

- bellow	- gobble	- roar
- bleat	- groan	- ruckle
- blow	- growl	- scream
- breath	- grunt	- screech
- caw	- hiss	- slobber
- choke	- moan	- smack
- croak	- movement	- snarl
- cry	- mumble	- snore
- exert	- nicker	- squeal
- gargle	- rattle	- yell

We recommend starting with searches including only one of the characteristics. For example: search *low,* and check out what the differences are between small, med and large; or short, average and long. When you know the library better, start looking for more specific sounds using a combination of characteristics (like *small* plus *high* plus *snarl*).

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