

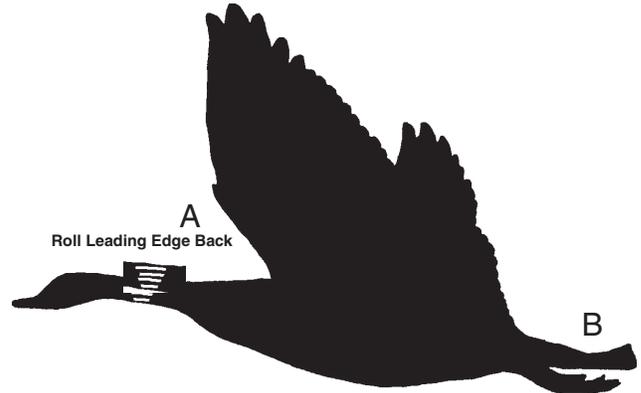
Flying Your *Jackite* Loon

Your **Jackite**™ was designed as a gentle-wind kite, but flies well in varying windspeeds.

Initial Flight

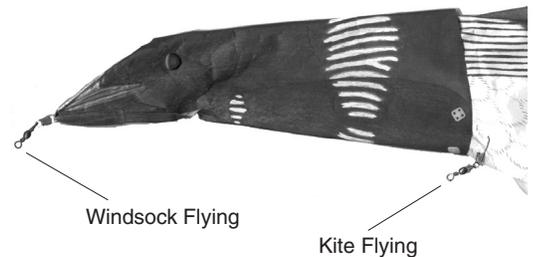
Your **Jackite** is formed by the wind:

- A. Leading edges of the wings fold back.
- B. Roll sides of tail upward.



Your **Jackite** Loon has to learn to fly. In a light wind, gently bend the leading edges of the wings (A) backward. In a strong wind, bend the leading edges of the wind backward hard. It is important that the bends are *uniform*, stabilizing the kite and flexing with the wind to correct positions of the kite. Wet the wings with water. Pole fly until the **Jackite** adjusts its wings to their proper attitude. Your **Jackite** is precision balanced and once the kite is formed by the wind, it will “remember” its shape.

Note: If you fly your **Jackite** in a very strong wind, it may be necessary to form it again. Remove the rod, and lay it flat on its back. Smooth the wings and tail with a damp cloth. Allow to dry. It will again form to a gentle wind.



Windssock Flying

Attach swivel through hole in beak. Attach line to swivel.

Winds tend to be variable and gusty, posing many problems for the kite flyer. Your **Jackite** will fly wonderfully from a pole even under these conditions. Using 8 feet of line, simply attach your **Jackite** to a 20 foot flexible pole (collapsible, available from **Jackite**), and let the wind take over. We recommend pole flying in low to moderate winds only.

Kite Flying

Pinch Tyvek together on body and attach swivel through holes. Attach line to swivel.

An exciting way to fly your Jackite is to attach it to the light-weight line of a fishing rod. Disengage the anti-reverse on the reel, enabling you to control the line.

Because a **Jackite** is so wind sensitive, you can fly it on as little as ten feet of line. As it lifts to the sky, let out the line as it pulls upward. We like to fly our **Jackite** on about 100-200 feet of line, amazed as it flits across the sky.

Emulating a bird in flight with a natural grace and beauty, your **Jackite** will actually flap its wings, soar to a new position, flaps its wings again and soar to another position. Lo and behold! Is it a Loon or is it a **Jackite**?

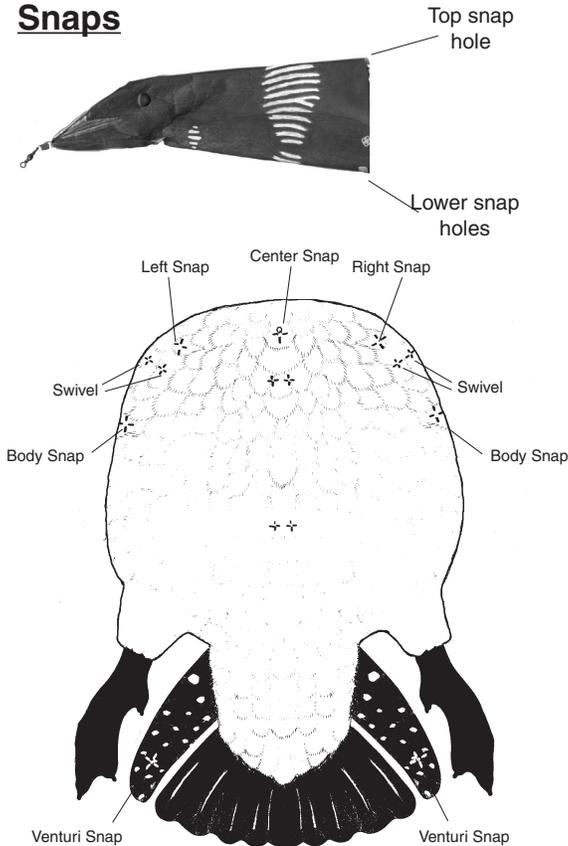
We fly our **Jackite** along a river to the delight of passing boaters.

LOON ASSEMBLED INSTRUCTIONS

Your **Jackite™** Loon is tough, constructed of Tyvek® and a solid fiberglass spar. It is water resistant and highly tear resistant, and will provide you with many hours of flying pleasure.

The **Jackite** Loon original artwork was drawn with a pencil.

Snaps



Push male snap through center snap hole on inside of body. Continue snap through center hole at the top of head and fasten with female snap. The body is rounded and fits inside the head.

Push male snap through outside hole on inside of body and continue snap through outside hole at the bottom of head. Fasten with female snap. Push male snap through remaining outside hole on inside of body and continue snap through outside hole at the bottom of head. Fasten with female snap.

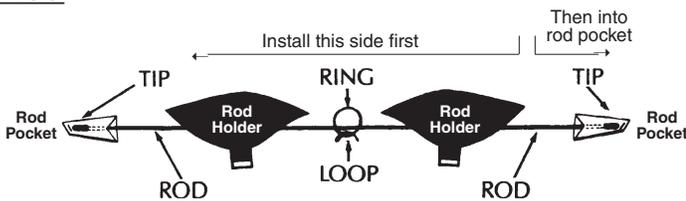
Note: If you plan to fly your bird and store it often, then the male snaps may be sewn or superglued onto tyvek so you don't lose them.

Body Snap: Overlap one side of body over the other and snap together.

Venturi Snap: Fold venturi flap over the other. Snap venturi together on top side.

Careful with the fiberglass rod, avoid sliding your hand along rod. It can give splinters.

Rod



Insert rod through rod holder, then ring, through rod holder and into rod pocket. Install rod into final rod pocket. ***The staples are critical and should exert no pressure on the rod which must be free to flex and move left and right.***

Slat



Insert one end of slat through body and into beak. Tape the other end down inside the body. This slat reinforcement keeps the head from bending in the wind.

Storage: Remove rod. Unsnap body, head and venturi. Lay body and wings on flat surface, body side down. Roll up wings and body and carefully slide into tube. Insert head into tube.

Display: You may desire to share the beautiful design of the Jackite with others as a decoration for your home or office. It's a real conversation piece. Attach wire from the fore ring to the aft ring with a loop midpoint. Suspend by the loop. Enjoy!