Hand signs and Signals - Wildlife

Hand movements used

Index and middle fingers extended, held together and wiggled

Use fish signal, and combine with gestures for big, small, beautiful, flat, round, long, bite, danger, yummy etc. - Describes a particular fish.

Whole arm wiggling

Flat hand placed above head

One hand doing a biting motion - eyes WIDE!

Holding your hand upright on your forehead like a dorsal fin

Arms wide, then flat hand placed above head

Middle finger up, then arms wide, then flat hand placed above head

Fists clenched, knuckles against ears, palms forward, elbows out to side.

Make the shark sign and then pretend you're hammering

Make the shark sign and then do as if to lift both breasts with your hands

Make the shark sign then hold up both hands like a cat showing his claws

Make the shark sign with wide eyed staring and heavy breathing

A circle formed above the head with the thumbs and forefingers to look like
a 'halo'

An imaginary circle made over the head by rotating the index finger representing a 'halo'

Thumb and index finger as if holding a needle. Mime sewing action

Thumbs overlapped, all fingers extended and flapping together

Reg out of mouth, mouth opened and closed

Suggestive 'groping movements in the breast area

Forearm rolled outwards, wrist flexed, fingers extended and waggled at the joint where they meet the hand

Put your downturned hand under your chin and wiggle your fingers

Hands held flat, above one another, clapping whilst outstretched

Index and middle fingers held straight (the knife), other fingers curled up. Other hand held flat (the bread). Butter the bread

Hand formed to look as if firing a gun, 'squeezing the trigger'
The sign for unicornfish doesn't need describing! (NB, dependant on context, could indicate a childish insult!)

One hand on top of the other, palms down, both sets of fingers aligned (slightly bowed down), thumbs sticking out to sides and then pushed into the hands rapidly and repeatedly.

Dive guide in the Red Sea points, fist clumps against top of head

Fingers intertwined facing up

Hand flat and vertical - make a slithering motion

Hand flat and spread fingers and "swimming"

One hand over the other at the wrists (palms down) and waving good-bye with both hands in unison

One hand doing a biting motion

Opening and closing one hand like the gripper on a robot arm

Something small that nips
Doing this with both hands at the same time

Making an open/closed motion with both hands like a Venus Flytrap

Hands on top of head using index fingers like antennae

Opening and closing fingers on one hand (cupped) and moving the hand further in one direction with each "pulse"

Make the jelly fish sign and then poke a few times on your arm with index finger

Make the jelly fish sign and then shake your hand like "hot!"

A reverse clapping motion ie reverse hands so that outside of wrists are touching each other and bring hand together so back of fingers on each hand touch each other. Usually accompanied by vocal sounds of "ark ark" :-)

Make a nazi salute with right index finger under nose then side of hand on forehead.

Please feel free to submit your signs to me by going here and I'll add them to the page.

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