



BAT BOX

Control insects naturally with
the help of these mammals

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MOUNTING:

- The best time is late March, early April, although you may put one up at any time.
- Mount to a pole, building or dead tree. Live trees tend to be shaded and there for do not get used. Boxes mounted on metal buildings tend to not get used.
- Mount at least 10-15 feet high.

LOCATION:

- If mounting one or two boxes face them South to South East.
- The box should get at least 8-10 hrs of sunlight a day.
- For best results mount four boxes. Place a box for each direction N,S,E,W. This will provide a variety of temperatures for the bats seasonal needs.

BREEDING:

- Young are born from mid May through July and can fly by the end of August.

MAINTENANCE:

- Boxes should be cleaned every year.
- Care **MUST BE** taken when cleaning. Where a mask when dealing with bat guano. Also be aware of wasps and bees that may be nesting in the box.

TIP'S:

- Do **NOT** place the box lower than 10 feet from the ground.
- Box's that fail to attract bats after two years should be relocated or try painting the outside black, dark brown or grey.

Please contact us if you have any questions,
& Thank you