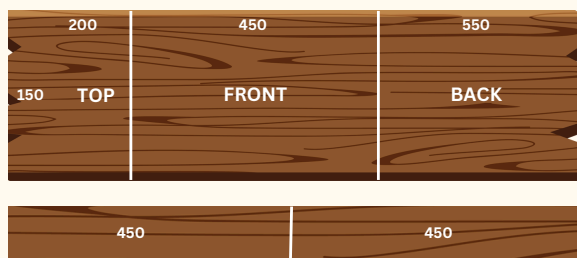


HOW TO BUILD A HOME FOR BATS

01. CUT UP YOUR PLANK



02. ATTACH STRIP WOOD

Attach the 450mm strip wood to the backboard with screws or nails.

03. CREATE FIXING POINTS

Drill 5mm holes in the top corners for fixing points.

04. ADD FRONT BOARD

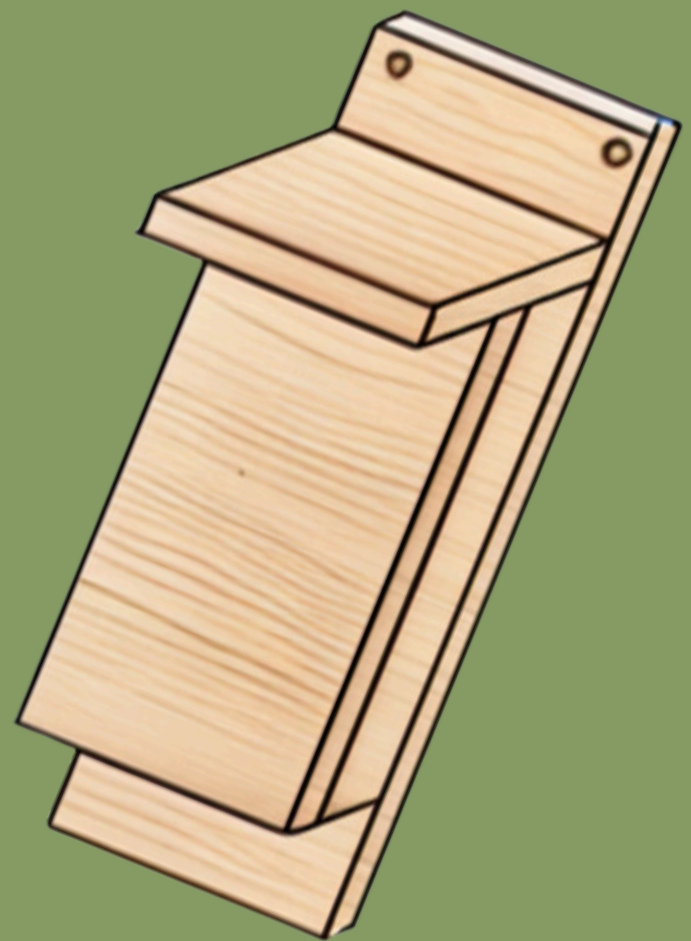
Attach the front board to the strip wood with nails or screws.

05. SECURE THE HOME

Secure to a wall with screws or to a tree trunk with strong wire through the fixing holes.

06. SECURE THE TOP

Secure the top shield with nails or screws, which the bats will hand from.



THINGS YOU NEED & TO REMEMBER:

- Gather materials: Rough-sawn, untreated wood (22x150x1200), untreated strip wood (20x20x900), tape measure, hand saw, hammer and nails or drill and screws.
- Avoid wood protectors like varnish.
- Install high on a wall or tree in a sheltered spot with some sun exposure.
- UK bats and their roosts are legally protected; do not disturb them. Once installed, the bat box cannot be opened without a license.

Note: When installing bat boxes at a height, make sure to work safely by wearing protective headwear as an added precaution.

Source: Thomson Environmental Consultants, experts in habitat creation, habitat management, surveys and mitigation as well as invasive species management and vegetation clearance. Find out more www.thomsonec.com.