

BAT HOUSE CHECKLIST



If you are planning to put up a bat house on your property, we have a few tips to make the house more attractive to bats. A good bat house should be:

- Big with multiple chambers.
- Made with untreated wood and painted with non-toxic (low to no VOC) paint/stain.
- Dark in colour.
- Receiving a minimum of eight hours of sun per day, which means generally facing south and not shaded.
- Installed three to six metres (10 to 20 feet) above the ground.
- Ideally within 300 metres of a water source.
- In an uncluttered location, with no under- or overhanging branches as bats need room to swoop in.
- In a dark location free from light pollution. Bats may hunt near a light source, but they will not roost near one.

You can find a bat house design at [HelpTheBats.ca](https://www.helpthebats.ca).

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