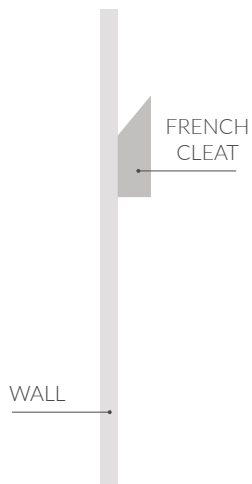


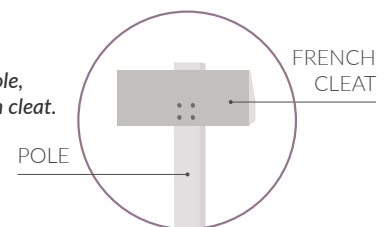
BAT HOUSE INSTALLATION GUIDE

Eight easy steps to installing your bat house



- 1 | Make sure to review the [bat house checklist](#).
- 2 | Identify where you want to install your bat house – this can be on a pole or on a building. Make sure the bat house is:
 - » Facing south as much as possible in order to receive a minimum of eight hours of sun per day
 - » Installed three to six metres (10 to 20 feet) above the ground
 - » In an uncluttered location away from branches
- 3 | Use a level to make sure the French cleat (angled piece of board separate from the bat house) is level.
- 4 | Attach the French cleat with the angle coming away from the wall, using appropriate screws (see image at left). **If you are installing into brick or cement, you must use concrete screws or concrete anchors** (ask your local hardware store if you're unsure which to use).
- 5 | Screw four screws into the pre-drilled holes of the French cleat, **ensuring that you screw into solid wood or brick***.
- 6 | Hang the bat house on the French cleat, ensuring it is aligned before securing the final screws.
- 7 | Screw two screws into the pre-drilled holes in the bottom of the bat house. This will ensure that the bat house is securely attached to the building or pole.
- 8 | Let us know that you have installed your bat house and start using [iNaturalist.ca](https://www.inaturalist.ca) to monitor your bat house!

**If you are attaching the bat house to a wooden pole, screw four screws through the centre of the French cleat.*



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