

Bird and Bat Boxes from Bird Brick Houses – Home owner’s Information

Please refer to our website www.birdbrickhouses.co.uk for information concerning the design and construction of your nesting box. Alternatively, please contact us – see below for our details.

- Bat Box



Your bat box requires no maintenance, as the design allows droppings to fall out of the entrance hole. In fact it is illegal to disturb a bat box, unless you are a licensed bat worker. Be warned – penalties are severe!

- Swift Box



Your swift box requires no maintenance as this species do their own housekeeping!

- Bird Boxes



Some species (notably the tit family) clean out their own nesting area and our experience suggests that birds will re-use untended boxes year on year. If you decide to clean out your bird box, please note that Bird Protection Law allows this only between 1 September and 31 January. Even in the Autumn, some species may still be producing second or third broods, or be being used through the Winter as a roost, so please make certain the box is no longer being used.

Whether or not your box has a removable front depends on how it was installed when your property was built. If the retaining screws were not mortared over, you can remove the front for cleaning and/or installing a camera. The screws are stainless steel, slot headed, and can be found 10mm in from the internal corners of the box. Unscrew all 4 screws until the thread can be seen. The easiest way to remove the front is with the special handle, available from our [website shop](#). Otherwise insert your fingers into the entrance hole(s) and pull outwards. Take great care as the front can come free suddenly and is fairly heavy. If the front is dropped, damage is likely to occur.

Cleaning is best done wearing surgical gloves and a dust mask, due to the possible presence of fungi and parasites. Any dead eggs must be destroyed and must not be kept or sold. Check that no debris remains in the lip of the box before reinstalling, and ensure the screws are screwed fully home again.

If a ladder is required for accessing the box, please take all necessary precautions for your safety.

In the event of damage being sustained to the front, please contact Bird Brick Houses (see below) for a repair quotation. In order to provide a good match we will require the return of the box front – photographs will not suffice. Your repair will be given urgent priority.

For more information about your nesting box, please see our website www.birdbrickhouses.co.uk or contact us – see below.

Bird Brick Houses Ltd accept no liability for damage caused to boxes or injuries sustained while maintaining or altering our products.

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