

OPEN-FRONTED

SMALL HOLE



The type of box you choose will depend on the species you wish to support. To create opportunities for the widest range of species, we recommend small hole boxes with a 32mm hole, or open-fronted boxes with a 100mm high front.









TREE

FENCE

WALL





Unless there are trees or buildings which shade the box during the day, face the box between north and east, thus avoiding strong sunlight and the wettest winds. Make sure that the birds have a clear flight path to the nest without any clutter directly in front of the entrance (RSPB)





Where possible, know which predators you are dealing with, do some research and take the appropriate measures to prevent them from raiding your nest box



HOUSE SPARROW

Place a small hole nest box at least 6-7 feet off the ground, preferably under the eaves of a house these birds nest in loose colonies so 2 or 3 boxes can be placed together



GREAT TIT

Place your small hole nest box at a height of 2 - 4 metres

NUTHATCH

This species typically nests in tree stumps - place a small hole nest box at least 2m above ground



Position your small hole nest box roughly 6-7 feet off of the ground, or higher



Place your open-fronted nest box less than 6-7 feet above ground with cover from overhanging vegetation or a climbing plant



GREY WAGTAIL

Place your openfronted nest box 2 - 4 metres above ground with cover from hanging vegetation

PIED FLYCATCHER

Position your open-fronted nest box about 2m - 4m high, well hidden by a shrub, climber or some ivy



WREN

Wrens like to be in low shrubs and bushes near the ground place your openfronted box roughly 4 feet above the ground



Place your small hole nest box 2 - 4 metres above ground near to densely vegetated, mature trees (preferably oak)



COAL TIT

Place your small hole nest box 2 - 4 metres above ground with cover from trees (preferably coniferous)

PIED FLYCATCHER

Place your small hole nest box 2 - 4 metres above ground with cover from hanging vegetation like ivy or climbing plants



TREE SPARROW

Place your small hole nest box 2 - 4 metres above ground under the cover of trees