



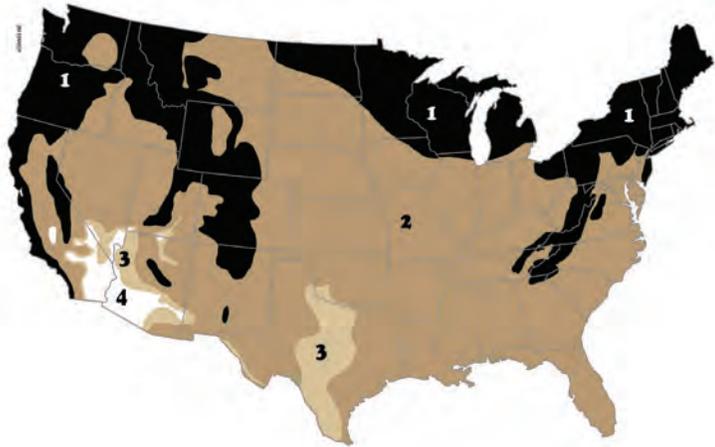
*Beautifully
Handcrafted* **Bat
Houses**



Designed to Maximize Your
Success in Attracting Bats



Quality Construction Meets Proven Design Elements



The success of your bat house depends on a number of factors, including exterior color and sunlight exposure. Please use the above map as a guide for choosing your bat house color.

Bat House Color Recommendations and Average Daily High Temperatures in July



REGION 1 = BLACK AREAS: less than 85°F
Black or dark shade of paint

REGION 2 = MEDIUM AREAS: 85° – 95°F
Dark or medium shade of paint

REGION 3 = LIGHT AREAS: 95° – 100°F
Medium or light shade of paint

REGION 4 = LIGHTEST: 100°F or greater
White or light shade of paint

Austin Batworks bat houses are designed to maximize your success in attracting bats. Not only are bats an essential part of a healthy ecosystem, but they're nature's most efficient way of eliminating mosquitoes and other bugs.

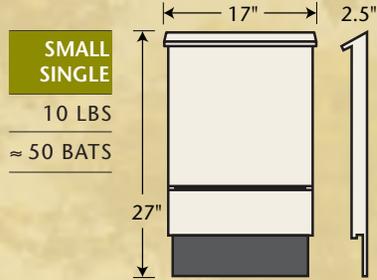
Our bat houses incorporate the most successful features identified in twelve years of research by Bat Conservation International (BCI). We use specifications recommended by BCI and quality building materials that take creature comforts into account, such as exterior grade 1/2" BCX plywood that has not been pressure treated (and 3/8" ply for the interior partitions of our multi-chambered models). The inside surfaces and landing pad are hand-routed and stained, making for an easy climb into the chambers, rather than painted, as the paint fills the grooves created by the router. We do not use any materials, such as screens or plastic mesh, that can deteriorate and create hazards for the bats. All connecting surfaces are sealed tight with caulking and screwed together. The screws are then countersunk and filled, leaving no visible hardware and giving the house a clean, finished look. Outer surfaces are primed and twice painted using exterior grade, water-based flat paint.

We provide four colors to choose from, maximizing temperature efficiency and attracting bats with the goal of keeping them comfortable whether they migrate or roost year-round. And, your purchase benefits BCI.

For more information on helping to make your bat house a success, please visit our website at www.austinbatworks.com and view our DIY videos or download BCI's PDFs: Criteria for Successful Bat Houses, Installing Your Bat House on a Building, Installing Your Bat House on a Pole.

Our Bat House Models

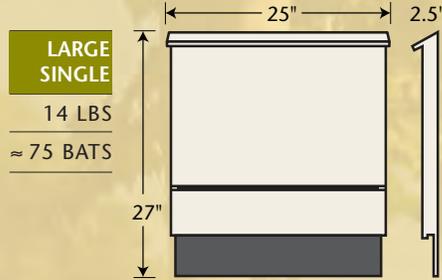
Single-Chambered Bat Houses: Install on wood or masonry homes, barns, or other structures to help buffer temperature fluctuations.



**SMALL
SINGLE**

10 LBS

≈ 50 BATS

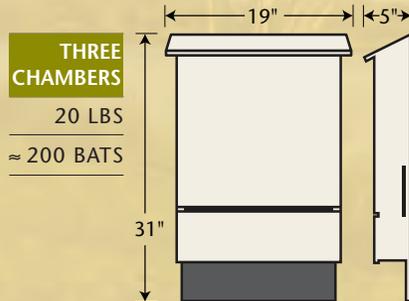


**LARGE
SINGLE**

14 LBS

≈ 75 BATS

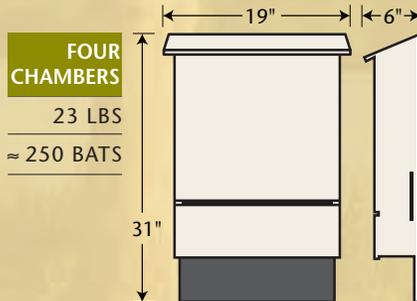
Multi-chambered Bat Houses: Houses with at least three chambers provide excellent thermal gradients; can be installed on homes, barns, structures, or poles; and tend to attract nursing colonies if located within 1/4 mile of water.



**THREE
CHAMBERS**

20 LBS

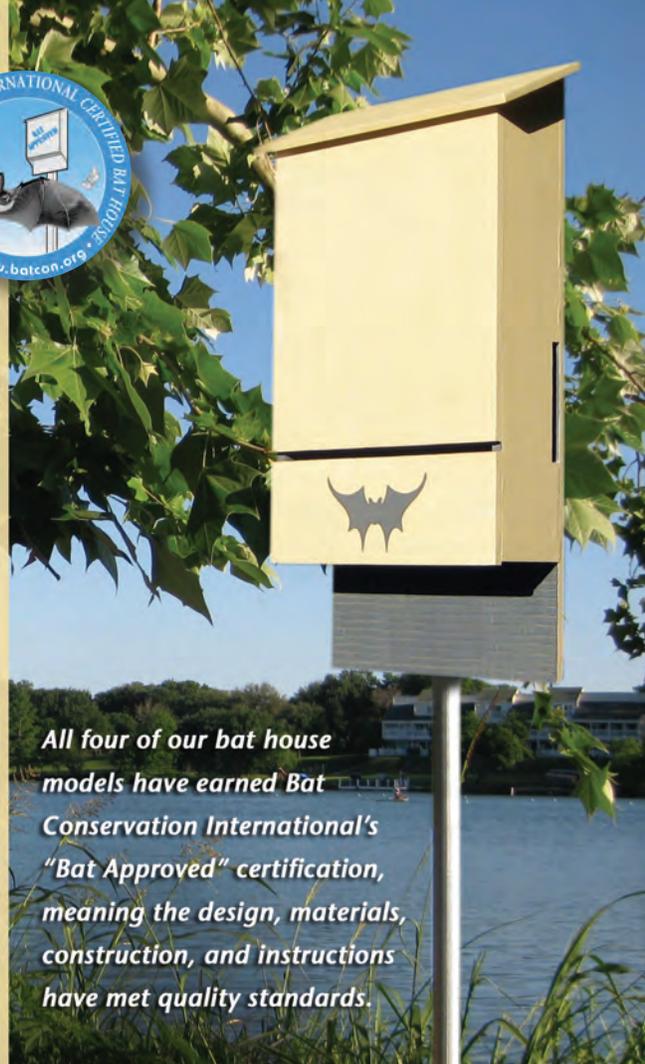
≈ 200 BATS



**FOUR
CHAMBERS**

23 LBS

≈ 250 BATS



All four of our bat house models have earned Bat Conservation International's "Bat Approved" certification, meaning the design, materials, construction, and instructions have met quality standards.

The Research is Clear — Bats Prefer a Cozy, Sunny Home

Like us, bats prefer to come home to comfortable temperatures and a house that doesn't leak. From twelve years of research by Bat Conservation International (BCI), we've learned that bats are most likely to choose houses with sealed joints, roosting chambers at least twenty inches tall, painted or stained exteriors, and roughened landing and roosting areas. We incorporate all of these preferences in each of our four bat house models. And with fourteen different bat species climbing into houses across the U.S., you're likely to have residents if

In multi-chambered bat houses, interior pass-through holes allow mothers to transport their pups from chamber to chamber as outside temperatures fluctuate, optimizing their thermal needs.

you install your bat house using BCI guidelines. We now know that bats prefer a minimum of six hours of sunlight per day in all but the hottest climates (see Region 4 on the map). Houses should be mounted at least ten feet from the ground and twenty feet from branches or other places a predator might

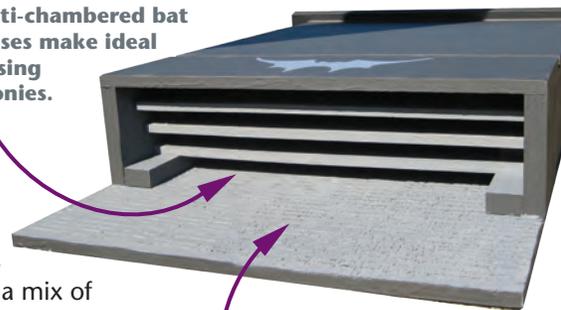
Hand-routed interior surfaces provide ample foothold crevices for bats.

perch. Nursing colonies, which often settle into the multi-chambered houses, are usually established within 1/4 mile of water. Houses erected in areas with a mix of natural vegetation and agricultural use show the greatest success.

Bat houses usually don't need painting, caulking, or other maintenance for several years, but it's a good idea to check annually for pests moving in when migrating bats move out. If your bats don't migrate, inspect the house before pups are born or after they learn to fly. Bats are generally roost-loyal, so you can expect even your migrating families to return year after year.

Along with your order, we'll send you complimentary copies of installation instructions, *Criteria for Successful Bat Houses*, and of course, your "Bat Approved" certification from BCI.

Multi-chambered bat houses make ideal nursing colonies.



The roughened landing pad at the base makes for an easy climb into the chambers.



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