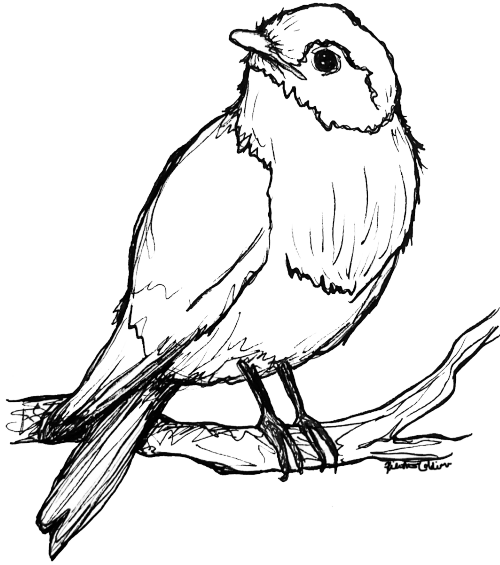


SLANT-FRONT BLUEBIRD BOX



This Slant-Front Bluebird House is specifically designed with its unique, tapered design to require less nesting material. This makes construction of nests easier for bluebirds who inhabit the dwelling. The spring courtship rites of bluebirds are among the most enjoyable to witness. The male selects a suitable nesting cavity or box and tries to lure a female with song, while the female builds the nest, typically three to four inches deep where they lay their eggs.

Two chief competitors to bluebirds are the house sparrow and the starling, while tree swallows will often find bluebird boxes to their liking as well. To have success with your nest box, place it in an open area scattered with trees, particularly those with low branches. Fence posts provide good locations when placing the house.

It is best to position the Slant-Front Nest Box 3 feet to 5 feet above ground. Lower placement makes predation easier and higher placement attract more sparrows. The box should face a tree or shrub with low branches within 50 feet so that when the babies leave the nest they may perch safely from predators. Face the entrance hole away from prevailing winds.

MOUNTING YOUR BLUEBIRD BOX

1. On the back of the house is a metal hanger at the top and a pre-drilled hole at the bottom. Put a nail or screw into the side of a tree or post, leaving the head sticking out about 1/4". Place the metal hanger over the nail or screw.
2. Put another nail or screw through the pre-drilled hole at the bottom of the rear panel and into the tree or post in order to fasten the house securely.
3. Should you wish to paint or stain, it is critical to only use water-based stain or paint. Oil-based paints and stains are toxic to birds. It is also important to stay away from dark colors that may cause the nest box to become too hot for nestlings. A light, seasonal, external coating of boiled linseed oil is a highly effective non-toxic preservative.



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