

Nest Box Requirements

Species	Floor (inches)	Depth (inches)	Entrance height above floor (inches)	Entrance diameter (inches)	Height above ground (feet)	Habitat
Carolina Wren	4x4	6-8	1-6	1-1/2	6-10	Open deciduous woodland, especially with good cover, farmland, and suburbs
Bewick's Wren	4x4	8-10	6-8	1 to 1-1/4	6-15	Open woodland, shrubland, farmland, and suburbs
Tufted Titmouse	4x4	8-10	6-8	1-1/4	6-15	Woodlands and forests including parks
Golden-fronted Woodpecker	6x6	12-15	9-12	2	12-20	Dry woodlands, pecan groves, mesquite brushlands, towns, and parks
Ladder-back Woodpecker	6x6	12-15	9-12	1-1/2	12-20	Dry country including brushlands, mesquite, and cactus, often associated with towns and rural areas. Place wood chips in box.
Barn Owl	10x18	15-18	4	6	12-18	Mixed agricultural land: meadows, haylands and pastures
Eastern Screech Owl	8x8	12-15	9-12	3	10-30	Variety: woodlots, forests, swamps, orchards, parks, suburban gardens, especially edgts. Use 2-3" woodchips in box.
Black-bellied Whistling Duck	10x18	10-24	12-16	4	10-20	Trees near woodlands streams, ponds, and marshes of South Texas
Barn Swallow	6x6	6	nesting shelf	nesting shelf	8-12	Farmsteads, on rafters, under eaves, or on top of light fixtures
Purple Martin	6x6	6	1	2-1/2	15-20	Form colonies. Place boxes in open area, at least 30' away from trees, and preferably near open water.
Ash-throated Flycatcher	6x6	8-10	6-8	1-1/2	8-20	Variety: deserts, chaparral, and woodlands

Sources: Texas Wildscapes - Gardening for Wildlife, by Kelly Conrad Bender
 Gardening for the Birds - by George Adams