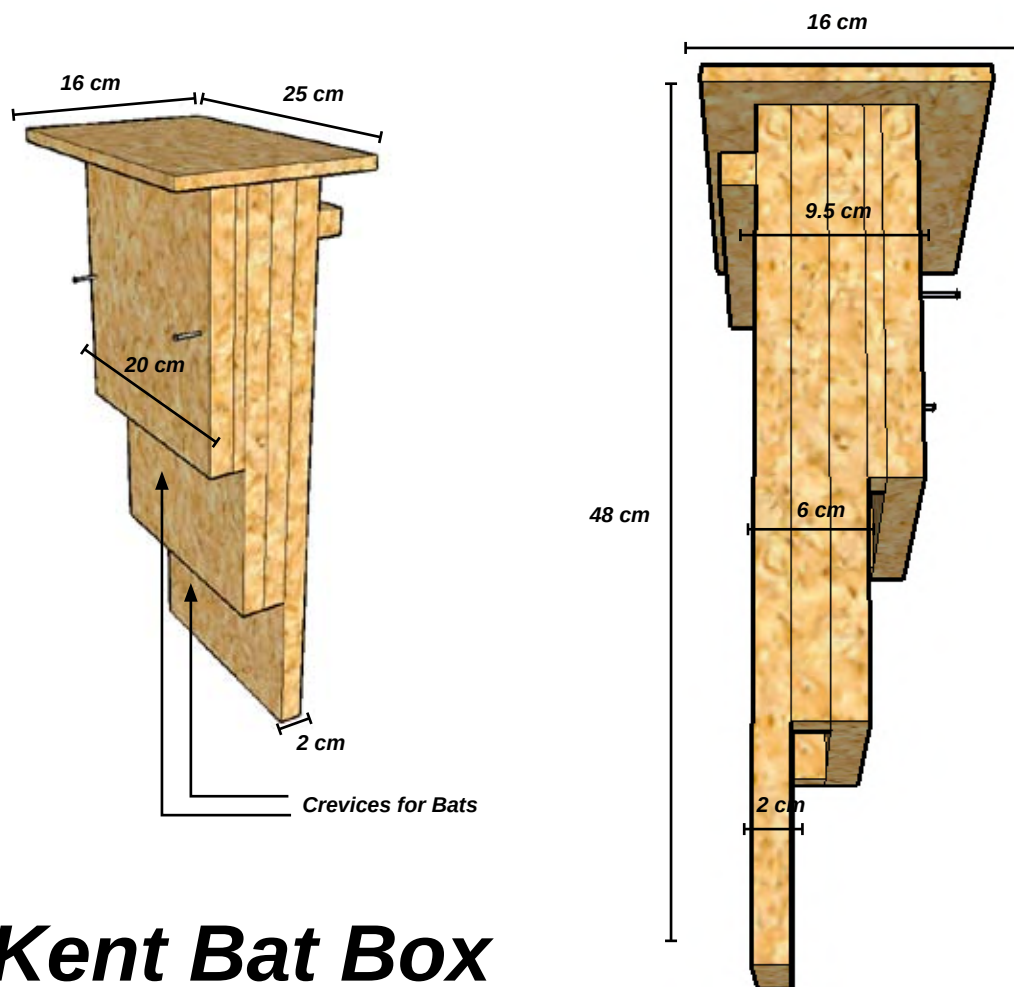




The Kent Bat Box

The box should be constructed from untreated rough-sawn timbers, with 2 or 3 crevices - the limiting factor being the weight and thickness of the box. The crevices may be any size between 15 and 25mm. Timber should be around 20mm thick. The box should be made to be rainproof and draught-free.

The box can be fixed to walls or flat surfaces or to trees. Fixing may be done by use of brackets, durable bands or wires. Boxes are best fixed as high as possible in sheltered / shaded locations where is a clear flight to the box entrance. Exposure to the sun for part of the day is acceptable. Several boxes may be placed near together.

It should be the intention that boxes are to remain in position for several years. Boxes should not be disturbed, so check for occupancy by watching at dusk for bats to emerge. The box is self-cleaning.

Note: all measurements are approximate.

