SMALL BAT HOUSE

This bat house is adapted from the recommendations of Bat Conservation International. For more information, see <u>http://www.batcon.org</u>.



Materials needed:

¹/4 sheet ¹/2" cdx plywood (2'x4', outdoor grade – you can ask lumberyard to cut into 3 pieces: 26 ¹/2"x24", 16 ¹/2"x24", and 5"x24" or ask another adult to help you saw)
1 piece 1"x2"x 8' pine strip (³/4" x 1 ³/4" finished size. Again, you can ask the lumberyard to one 24" piece and two 20 ¹/4" pieces or ask another adult to help you saw it)
¹/8" HDPE netting, (HDPE is a type of plastic. Cut the netting to 20"x22 ¹/2")
20-30 1⁵/s" multipurpose screws (ask for drywall screws)
1 pint latex acrylic pain (a medium shade of gray or brown)
1 tube paintable acrylic caulk ⁵/16" staples

Recommended tools:

Table or hand-saw (optional, see the materials list for tips)Variable speed reversing drillCaulking gunPhillips bit for drillScissorsTape measure or yardstickStapler, Paintbrush

For more plans and information on building bat houses, see <u>The Bat</u> <u>House Builder's</u> <u>Handbook</u>, by Merlin D. Tuttle and Donna L. Hensley, 1997. Order by calling 1-800-538-2287

