

Barn Owl Nest Box

Boxes should be straightforward in design and can be made from packing cases, tubes, barrels or other boxes. The box **MUST** be rainproof. A poor box may attract an owl away from a more suitable site and endanger the clutch. Flatten or remove any interior sharp edges. The box should have two sections so the nest can be in the back of the box divided by a low partition from the front section. The key is to allow for plenty of room for the growing clutch of up to 10 babies! Boxes should be secured as firmly as possible and if inside building high above the ground in the darkest corner. Every site will demand its own creative solution. A thin layer of pine needles or similar material can be placed in the nest area. Once discovered, a box will normally be used over and over. It may take years for a Barn Owl family to move in... Be patient.

