How To Build A

Wood Duck Box

A wood duck box should be constructed of unplaned cedar, cypress or other weather-resistant lumber. It should NOT be painted, stained or creosoted. As the diagram indicates, the entrance should be oval-shaped with the broadest distance horizontal. On the inside front of the box, beneath the hole, a strip of screen or hardware cloth should be tacked to provide the ducklings a means of escaping the box.

SIDES

24" 23"

12" 12"

BACK

24"

12" 12"

FLOOR

DRain Holes

10'

FLOOR

FRONT

Hardware Cloth Ladder (Inside view)

One 1x12" rough cut board 10' long will make one box.

ROOF

16'

12'

12'

12'

FLOOR

FRONT

BACK

RIGHT-SIDE

LEFT-SIDE

ROOF
Layout for cutting three predator guards from a 3 x 8 foot sheet of 26-gauge galvanized metal.

- Round Post Diagram:
  1. Inside circle diameter line.
  2. Holes for nails or screws.
  3. Cut along bold lines up to the inside circle diameter line.
  4. Bend up at dash line.

- Square Post Diagram:
  1. Inside circle diameter line.
  2. Holes for nails or screws.
  3. Cut along bold lines up to the inside circle diameter line.
  4. Bend up at dash line.

Use post size to determine inside circle diameter:

- Round Post Size:
  - 4 Inches: 5 Inches
  - 5 Inches: 6 Inches
  - 6 Inches: 7 1/4 Inches

- Square Post Size:
  - 4 x 4: 5 1/4 Inches
  (Actually 3 1/2 x 3 1/2 Inches)

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