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## BIRDS, BEES & BUGS HOTEL

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### PRODUCT INFORMATION



### CHAMBER 1

#### BIRD NEST BOX

This has a stainless steel hole protector to prevent predator damage. The box can be cleaned out in the autumn by removing the two screws on the panel at the front. The nestbox will attract a range of small birds like blue tits, nuthatches, grey tits, sparrows, etc.

### CHAMBER 2

#### BUG ZONE

The dried and drilled canes will be used by a variety of insect visitors including solitary bees, lady birds, earwigs, spider etc. Replacement canes are available from [www.wildlifeworld.co.uk](http://www.wildlifeworld.co.uk)

### CHAMBER 3

#### OVER WINTERING ZONE

Beneficial insect chamber. This can be filled with natural materials like straw, twigs or bark. You may find a variety of over-wintering insects will use the chamber dependent of the material used i.e. straw is good for Lacewings. You may find over-wintering butterflies, moths and ladybirds as well.

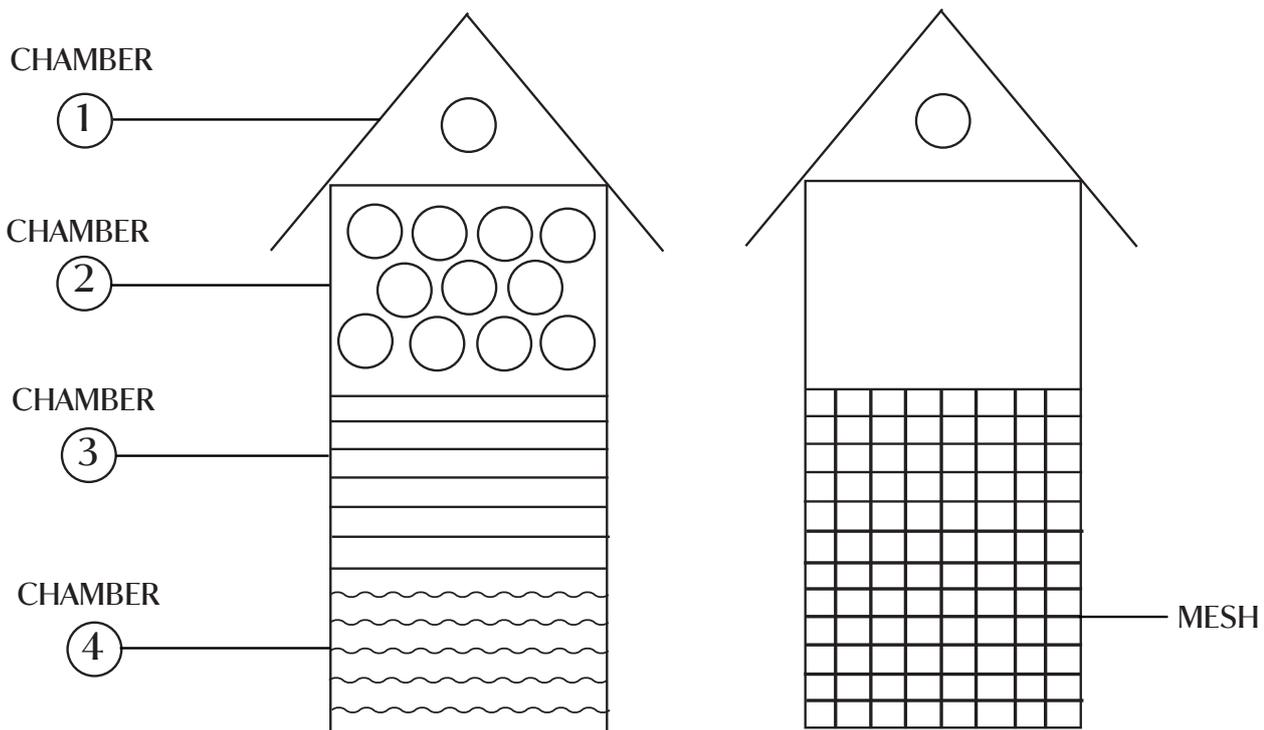
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## CHAMBER 4

### INTERACTIVE BEE TRAYS

For solitary non-swarming friendly bees. The trays will be used by mason Bees who build mud cells from April - June and leaf-cutter Bees whose cells are constructed using leaf pieces June - September. When your cells are full you might want to protect the bee cells by using a piece of 10mm mesh fixed in front of the trays. Bend the mesh over the lower louvre and then fix under the base. This will protect the cells from Woodpeckers and other predators. However the deep trays will keep most cells safe, particularly the ones towards the rear.

The trays can be released for inspection/cleaning by unscrewing the bolt in the base. Site the box from 1m to 2.5m high, ideally facing south east, out of prevailing winds but to catch some early sun for solitary bees. Other siting is possible (sun/shade/high/low) and this will attract different insect occupants.



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