

# Nesbitt: *a Chickadee Roosting Box Kit*

Cedar  Pine

A great project for nature lovers of any age.

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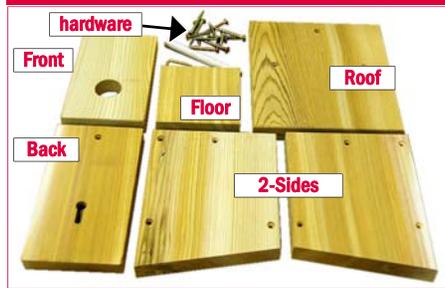
Hang it or pole mount it!



The air-tight design will help you attract and provide shelter for chickadees during cold weather.



**Build it in just a few minutes!**



Finished project dimensions: (roof) 7 1/4" tall x 6 1/4" wide x 7" deep  
Contents: solid wood parts required to build a roosting box; pre-cut, pre-drilled, rough sanded. These parts include: roof, 2-sides, floor, back, front panel with 1-1/8" entrance hole, and interior perch. Hardware included: zinc-coated Philips-head screws, micro-sandpaper, and "L-shaped" shoulder hook closure. Detailed and illustrated instructions on this sheet. Philips-head screw driver not included (some builders have found electric-powered screwdrivers to be helpful).

*Have a camera handy, you'll want to capture a photo when you're done!*



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Step 1: prep - Review parts to ensure you have all contents listed on front. This solid wood kit should be fairly smooth; sand any rough spots with the tiny piece of sandpaper.

We recommend a "dry run" assembly before attaching the pieces with screws. Review the steps below by placing all the pieces together without use of screws to familiarize yourself with each piece and its orientation.

Notice the shape and location of the pre-drilled holes. They offer a clue which surfaces are exterior or interior: countersunk holes have beveled edges on one side designed to accommodate screw-heads and should be facing outward.



**2** Step 2: attaching side to back - Stand the back on edge with "keyhole" for mounting facing out. The side pieces have pre-drilled holes; set one side on the edge of the back so that the top of the side will be flush with the beveled edge of back. Insert two screws and tighten. Fun, huh?



**4** Step 4: 2nd side - flip piece on back and align 2nd side into perch - press. Align side - insert 2 screws on side & tighten.



**3** Step 3: installing perch - insert 3/8" diameter perch in pocket hole on side.



**5** Step 5: floor - Insert floor between sides roughly 1/4" above the bottom of sides and back. Press floor into back while attaching screws thru sides, then flip & screw thru back.



**6** Step 6: front panel - install front panel with entrance hole closest to floor - this allows warmer air inside roosting box to stay inside keeping chickadee warm in cold winter months.



**7** Step 7: roof - place roosting box upright to install roof. Position roof flush along back and equidistance (see 7b) on both sides; attach screws. The roosting box can be attached to a tree, deck or fence railing using mounting keyhole. Or, the box can be pole mounted... see [www.jjcardinal.com/accessories.htm](http://www.jjcardinal.com/accessories.htm) for details about mounting flanges and poles.



**8** Step 8: closure latch - place roosting box on its back to install "L-shaped shoulder hook" which will serve as a latch to keep front panel closed.

That's all there is to it. You're now a bona fide woodworker!  
 Lean back and admire your handiwork.

