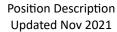
Box Builder





Overview: The BVBBS needs solid, well-made nest boxes that are built to last. We use these boxes on our trails throughout Bella Vista, and to sell to people who would like to attract nesting bluebirds.

It is important to us that we maintain quality boxes, especially for customer sales, and we require all builders to follow our <u>Nest Box Plans</u>.

We would like our box builder volunteers to commit to building a minimum of 24 boxes a year.

We grade all boxes as either a trail-grade box, or a customer-grade box. All boxes, whether trail or customer grade, must be functional and must conform to our nest box plans. In that regard, there is no difference between the two grades. Note that many of the points on the quality check* below deal with aesthetics, which are not as important for a trail-grade box.

Suggestions on ways to improve the nest box plans, including materials, are always welcomed and encouraged. They will be agreed upon by the Box Builders as a group before they are submitted by the Box Builder Coordinator to the President for approval.

Other responsibilities are defined below:

- Attend semi-annual (March & October) meetings of the Bella Vista Bluebird Society (BVBBS); attend annual Trail Boss/Box Builder meeting; attend other BVBBS meetings as needed or requested.
- 2) Build nest boxes in accordance to the BVBBS plans (<u>Nest Box Plans</u>); contact the Box Builder Coordinator to suggest changes to the plans.
- 3) Contact the Box Builder Coordinator for materials (wood, screws, washers), and to drop off or have finished boxes picked up.

*Quality check of boxes in order to designate it suitable for customer sales, includes:

- good condition of wood
- rough wood is on the inside of front and sides, and on the outside for the back
- no pieced or warped lumber
- no rough edges
- no large, open knots
- door opens easily
- nail to close door fits easily
- screws all match