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With the help of Carolina Wildlife Care, Patrick Bailey, a Boy Scout from Troop 10, built and donated a chimney swift tower for his Eagle Scout Project to Sesquicentennial State Park! The Chimney Swift, protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act since 1918, is a threatened bird that migrates along the Central and Eastern U.S. from March to October, spending its winters in Central and South America. These birds prefer to roost in chimneys, as their name implies, however, as people are renovating homes or building modern homes, chimney swift populations are declining due to loss of habitat. We are proud of Patrick for doing his part to help protect these threatened birds! www.southcarolinaparks.com/sesqui



Evan Stiner Awesome job!

at 12:20:58 on 9/06/2018 UTC



Thomas Ducey They're great for mosquito control.

at 12:23:02 on 9/06/2018 UTC

Donna Young I bought a house& didn't know i had them in my chimney, i had to live with



them for a while till they moved on! Wow they are noisy lol
at 12:38:44 on 9/06/2018 UTC



Tabitha Zorn Charles Zorn Charlie Zorn
at 13:40:16 on 9/06/2018 UTC



Kristina Fallon Is it a hollow thing? I would love to have one in my yard.... Got plans or more info on what to include?
at 16:28:50 on 9/06/2018 UTC



Jason Prouse So... where did they nest before chimney's existed?
at 16:32:01 on 9/06/2018 UTC



Amie Brunagan Nicely done guys!
at 19:55:23 on 9/06/2018 UTC



Thomas Ducey Hollowed out trees mostly.
at 22:36:58 on 9/06/2018 UTC



Patrick Bailey Hi I'm the person who created the tower. It is a hollow tower, with T1-11 plywood siding on the inside to give the birds something to hold on to. There is also insulation behind the wooden planks shown. The towers should be near a water source of some sort where bugs thrive as swifts can eat approximately their own body weight in bugs a day. You may not necessarily want one in your yard as you have a chance to interfere with them, but that is for you to decide. When building it, I used the design provided by these 2 videos: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l2XWt6OZy_A and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OJNo7tCUdQg> . The first video shows a book by the two creators of the tower. I would recommend looking into that for more plans on designs. I also worked with the Carolina Wildlife Center in selecting the location of the tower, so you might be able to call them for more information! I wish you the best of luck!



at 23:07:35 on 9/06/2018 UTC



Patrick Bailey Hi! Person who made the tower here. As the comment above stated, they would live in hollowed out trees of similar structure that were later cleared out by people to build homes.
at 23:10:22 on 9/06/2018 UTC



Kristina Fallon Thanks... we live near the lake and have woods in our yard that we don't mess with... but we do have lots of bugs around. Thanks
at 0:25:44 on 9/07/2018 UTC



Raychel Gramling Wes Gramling

at 2:37:02 on 9/07/2018 UTC



Wes Gramling Future sportsman/conservationist.

at 2:44:09 on 9/07/2018 UTC



Donna Compton Sutherland Ed Compton, an idea for Ean?

at 3:00:27 on 9/07/2018 UTC



Claudia Crowe Martin Nice

at 8:27:19 on 9/07/2018 UTC



Christine Cox Great project!

at 19:04:24 on 9/08/2018 UTC



Linda Boyles Turoski They nest in our chimney every year!

at 11:49:04 on 9/09/2018 UTC



Ali Burton Cook Great job Patrick!

at 22:17:16 on 9/17/2018 UTC



Darrin Luksik Patrick Bailey how tall was the structure Patrick? Can't get a good sense of scale. Be seeing you at Eagle boards in the not to distant future, I suppose. :)

at 23:59:05 on 9/17/2018 UTC