

## A little bit about us...

We are the only organisation working to protect wildlife and wild places in Derbyshire for everyone to enjoy.

Established in 1962, we manage 46 nature reserves covering more than 688 hectares of Derbyshire. We also run loads of events so that everyone can get out and experience Derbyshire's wild side for themselves.

### Get in touch:

If you would like to know more about swifts.

If you want to purchase a Nest Box.

If you have seen some swifts around.

If you want to know how to build your own swift nest box.

### Contact us by:

Email: [swifts@derbyshirewt.co.uk](mailto:swifts@derbyshirewt.co.uk)

Phone: 01773 881188

### Posting this form to:

Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, Sandy Hill, Main Street, Middleton,  
Derbyshire, DE4 4LR

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please email me details about how I can help swifts.



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# Thank you!

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DOS  
County Bird Club



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# Raising awareness about swifts...

## Thank you

Your dedication means  
we can make amazing  
things happen!

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Defending wildlife, restoring landscapes, inspiring people

*Swift* numbers have declined by over 50% since 1995.

Renovation of buildings blocks up the entrances to their nest sites.

They need tiny holes under the eaves to gain access to the roof spaces where they lay their eggs.

## It's easy and cheap to help swifts!

### How we can help?

Retain swift nesting places in existing buildings.

Install external swift nest boxes on existing buildings.

When building new houses install internal swift bricks.



External nest boxes



Internal nest bricks



David Naylor

### Did you know?

- Swifts feed, drink, mate and even sleep on the wing, only landing to nest.
- They visit us in summer to nest but then migrate back to Africa for nine months.
- They usually stay with the same partners throughout their lives.



### Legal status

Swifts and their nests are fully protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. This law makes it an offence intentionally to kill, injure, take swifts or destroy their eggs, young or nest while it is being built or in use.

*All they need are insects  
and a place to nest!*