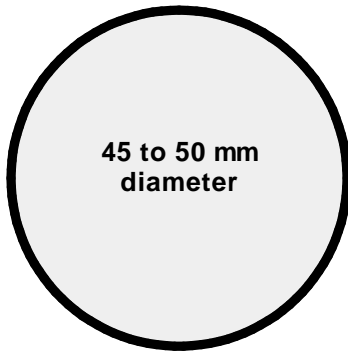




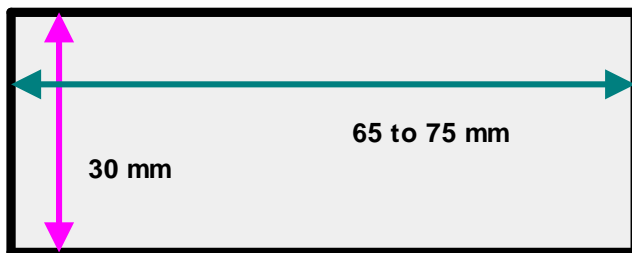
## Swift Nest Box Entrance Hole Sizes - Our advice - your choice



**The Simplest D-I-Y type is a 45 mm or 50 mm round hole**

The problem with this type of hole is that it can let in other birds, principally Starlings, a serious competitor. You may not welcome this as Starlings can have serious fights with Swifts over nest-places. If Starlings are not present then it may not be a problem, and it is very easy to make such holes.

**A more exclusive entrance is a 65 mm + by 30 mm slot**



This size of hole should successfully exclude Starlings, and of course predators like Magpies, Sparrowhawks and Jackdaws, but not small competing birds like House Sparrows or Titmice. However, siting the box high, and away from obvious perches may deter these latter species.

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