



# Friends of Barnfield Sandbeds

## Wildlife Spotters Guide



### Bats

WE Have discovered that Bats do exist on this site. To assist their existence we have built and erected 9 Bat Boxes and 9 Bat Houses , These are or roosting and hibernating and hopefully for breeding . WE are currently talking to Staffordshire Bat Trust with the aim of developing a better environment for bats TO live in providing both food and shelter for resident bats.

The bats shown on the list are most of the current UK Resident Bats and there is no guarantee that they actually exist on this site

PLEASE

NOTE:\*\*\*\*\*

Bats are a Protected Species' so it is prohibited by law to interfere with their habitats in any way. Please respect their privacy and leave them alone. Thank you!

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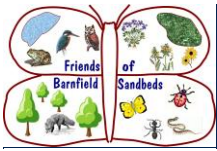
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On the following pages we have put together a worksheet with many of the Bats that can be found in the Barnfield Sandbeds. There is a photo and the name of the species to help with identification and a place for you to write in the date you saw them

The Photographs on the following pages are by kind permission of the North East Wildlife web site or photographs taken by Members of the Friends of Barnfield Sandbeds

Copies of this work sheet and many others are available on our web site at [www.friendsofbarnfieldsandbeds.co.uk](http://www.friendsofbarnfieldsandbeds.co.uk)

The work sheets are presented in Adobe Reader PDF format which may be viewed from the website or printed out as required. f you see any Bats not included on the following pages we would like to know about it so we can add it to our list. Please e-mail us on [info@friendsofbarnfieldsandbeds.co.uk](mailto:info@friendsofbarnfieldsandbeds.co.uk)



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#### Alcathoe Bat



The latest addition to the UK bat family, only being confirmed as a resident species in 2010 due to its similarity to the whiskered and Brandt's bat species.

Date Seen-

#### Barbastelle Bat



A rare and distinctive bat with a pug-like face and large, wide ears. You can help monitor this bat!

Date Seen-

#### Brandt's Bat



Brandt's bat

Very similar to the whiskered bat, only being separated as distinct species in 1970.

Date Seen-

#### Brown Long-Eared Bat



Brown long-eared bat

This bat's huge ears provide exceptionally sensitive hearing - it can even hear a ladybird walking on a leaf!

Date Seen-

#### Common Pipistrelle



Pipistrelles are the commonest British bats, weighing around 5 grams (less than a £1 coin). A single pipistrelle can eat 3,000 tiny insects in just one night!

Date Seen-

#### Daubenton's Bat



Known as the 'water bat', Daubenton's bats fish insects from the water's surface with their large feet or tail. You can help monitor this bat

Date Seen-

#### Greater Horseshoe Bat



Horseshoe bats possess a distinctive horseshoe-shaped noseleaf.

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#### Greater Mouse-Eared Bat



This bat was officially declared extinct in 1990, but a solitary individual has been hibernating in southern England since 2002.

Date Seen-

#### Grey Long-Eared Bat



This bat is generally a little larger than the brown long-eared bat and has a dark face.

Date Seen-

#### Leisler's Bat



Also known as the 'hairy-armed bat', it's similar to the noctule but smaller with longer fur.

Date Seen-

#### Nathusius' Pipistrelle



A previous migrant species, it has only been classed as a resident species since 1997. You can help monitor this bat!

Date Seen-

#### Noctule Bat



This bat has long narrow wings and flies in a straight line, very high and fast. It's our biggest bat, but it's still smaller than the palm of your hand!

Date Seen-

#### Serotine Bat



The Serotine has broad wings and a leisurely flapping flight.

Date Seen-

#### Soprano Pipistrelle



Similar to common pipistrelle but distinguished by its higher frequency echolocation call.

Date Seen-



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#### **Whiskered Bat**



Slightly smaller than Brandt's bat but sharing the same shaggy fur.

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