



## Habitat Nesting Boxes



Brushtailed Possum



Yellow Bellied Gliders



Rosellas



Microbat



Native Bee

**N**gurrala Aboriginal Corporation is a CDEP, a federally funded training centre for local Aboriginal people in the Nambucca Valley, Mid North Coast, NSW.

Part of our charter is to provide accredited training to participants enabling them to gain fulltime employment.

One of our projects is a woodworking center involving FIAA (Furnishing Industry Association of Australia) trainees manufacturing **habitat nesting boxes and outdoor furniture**.

These habitat nesting boxes have been designed in consultation with environment consultants.

We are now manufacturing 20 different types of boxes and can produce other boxes on application.

Ngurrala can supply nesting boxes anywhere in Australia, but can only install on the Mid North Coast. We have a trained Green Team that can be contracted to do installation.

### Why is there a need for Wildlife Boxes?

There are many animals and birds that use natural tree hollows for nesting and breeding as about 20% of our Australian wildlife don't build nests.

Nesting hollows were once common in forests and woodlands. The hollowing process is a long one. They are formed as trees grow old and fungus and termites eat out the deadwood in the centre of the living or dead tree.

The Eucalyptus trees and related species develop the most useful hollows. These hardwood trees live for hundreds of years and consequently countless generations of animals use their hollows.

The hollows start very small, making homes for insects such as wasps and spiders. As the tree ages the hollows become larger and provide homes for Tree frogs, Lorikeets and Native Bees. More years go by and the hollows house larger animals such as Greater Gliders and Possums.

By the time the cavities inside the tree are large enough for Powerful Owls and Black Cockatoos those trees could be hundreds of years old.

When trees succumb to the elements and fall to the ground, ground dwelling animals such as Echidnas, Forest Dragons etc. use them as their homes.

### Those hollows that took such a long time to develop are being lost for many reasons

- One of the biggest tragedies is the clearing of our native forests through logging. Old growth trees are being logged even though they have inferior value as millable timbers.
- Dieback in certain parts of the country result in the loss of old trees and with some farmers also feeling the need to ever increase their farming capacities trees are felled indiscriminately.
- As developers are clearing land environmental experts and councils are requiring the replacement of the lost trees and nesting logs.

We need to protect trees with hollows in order not to lose the animals that live in them forever.

### Nesting Boxes should not be seen as a substitute for hollows.

Nevertheless, where natural wildlife habitat has been destroyed, nest boxes are a functional alternative. They can also be used as an educational tool, as they can attract animals who can be observed in their natural surroundings.

# Ngurrala Aboriginal Corporation

Commercial producers of quality nesting boxes suited to:

## H a b i t a t N e s t i n g B o x e s

Price List as at 1st January 2008

<b>Group A</b>	Owlet/Night Jar Pygmy Possum Sugar Glider Squirrel Glider Antichinus	Thrushes & Robins Kingfishers Tree Creepers Feathertail Gliders Dollarbird Microbats	\$60.00 incl. GST
<b>Group B</b>	Rainbow Lorikeets Eastern Rosellas		\$68.00 incl. GST
<b>Group C</b>	Ringtail Possums Brushtail Possums Brushtail Phascogales		\$75.00 incl. GST
<b>Group D</b>	Greater Glider Yellow Bellied Glider		\$82.00 incl. GST
<b>Group E</b>	Barn Owl Boobook Owl		\$99.00 incl. GST
<b>Group F</b>	Native Bees		\$60.00 incl. GST

### Installation

\$45 per box (minimum charge \$90) for local area  
Handy instruction sheets supplied with each box.

### Delivery

Delivery can be arranged - cost depending on area and size of order.

All of our products are constructed using Exterior grade construction ply.  
With all joints glue-sealed then galvanised screwed together ensuring  
a long service life.

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Barn Owl Box



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