



Warrenbayne Boho Land Protection Group

## ***PLACEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF YOUR NEST BOX***

### **Placement**

- ◆ Place on the sheltered side of the tree in the shade of the tree canopy.
- ◆ The nest box must be shaded on hot summer days so choose a tree with a dense crown and mount the box on the **S.E. side of the trunk**.
- ◆ Gliders and Phascogales climb best on rough bark so choose Box trees or Stringy barks for preference.
- ◆ Gliders are often eaten by Owls so choose a tree that shields the box from view.
- ◆ Some people may damage boxes, so keep them out of sight from the roadside.
- ◆ Sheltering from cold winter winds will aid the animal's survival so choose a tree that is not too exposed.
- ◆ Wattles are important for gliders. Plant some Golden and Silver Wattles as a food source.
- ◆ Fertile soils have richer food sources, so choose an area near a gully or creek if possible.
- ◆ Place the box at a height of 3 to 4 metres above ground level if possible, and if it is safe for you to do so.
- ◆ If placed in regrowth areas, the site is best connected with a well treed laneway. Gliders need to glide from tree to tree.
- ◆ It may take 6 months for an animal to inhabit the nest box. If the box is not used after some time, it may need to be moved to a better site.
- ◆ If you need assistance installing your nest box, please contact the Warrenbayne Boho Land Protection Group (contact numbers are below).

### **Maintenance**

A maintenance plan is needed for your nest box. It may need repairs, painting on the outside from time to time and checking for infestation by bees.

### **Minimising Disturbance**

When checking your nest box, open the lid **carefully** and **quietly** and **just LOOK** inside the box. Do not disturb the animal/s if present. You may like to take a photo of any animals inside the box. It is best to check the box in October (after the breeding season). The Warrenbayne Boho Land Protection Group would be happy to hear from you, as we keep records of what animals are using the boxes.

**THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF OUR NEST BOX PROGRAM.**



YOUR NEST  
BOX NUMBER

