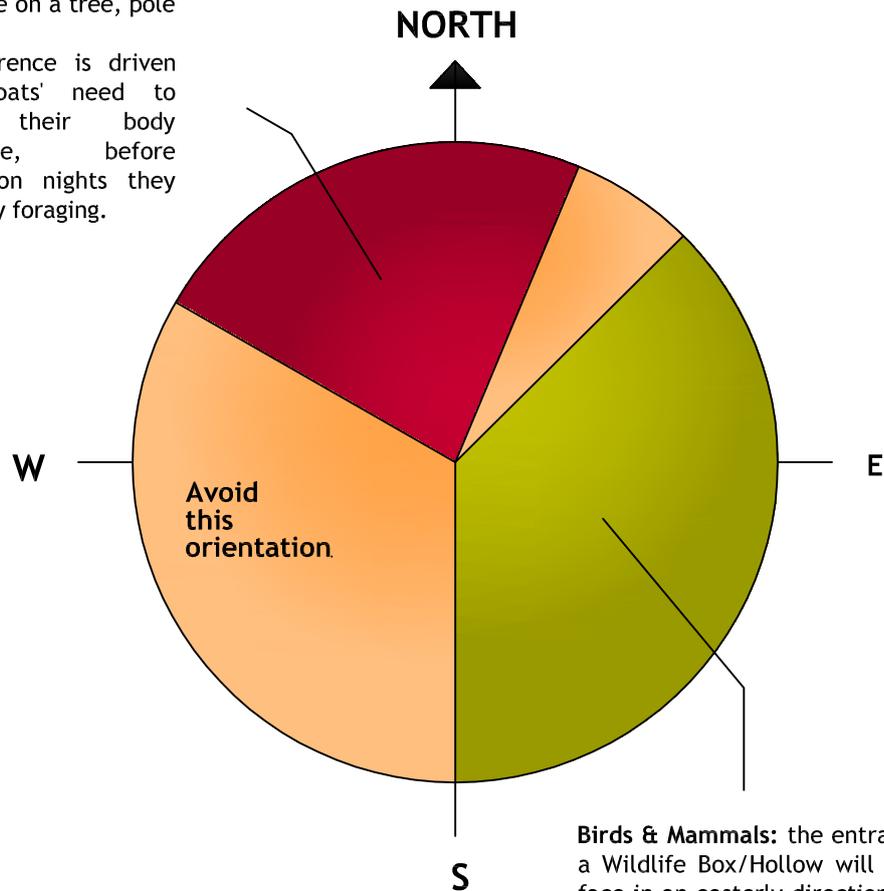


# Recommended Orientations for installing a Wildlife Box/Hollow

**Micro-bats:** prefer a north to north-westerly aspect. This may be on a tree, pole or building. This preference is driven by the bats' need to increase their body temperature, before emerging on nights they are actively foraging.



**Birds & Mammals:** the entrance of a Wildlife Box/Hollow will ideally face in an easterly direction. This may range from north-east to due south.

This orientation allows for the hot north/west sun and the prevailing south-westerly rain to be avoided. Ideally the box/hollow will be sheltered by the tree canopy and trunk during the hottest part of the day.

Parrots and other hollow nesting birds tend to prefer an open aspect. Mammals such as possums and gliders, however, prefer a more closed or sheltered aspect (e.g. dense overhanging foliage).

**N.B.:** Across southern Australia the prevailing weather/rain systems tend to come from the south and west. This may differ in other parts of the country. Therefore when orienting a wildlife box/hollow (entrance) in other locations, this needs to be borne in mind.