



Bat World Sanctuary

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Does anyone here have a bat rescue-release story to share? If so we'd love to hear it. 😊

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I've rescued and released several from my mom's house. Obviously I am a little unobservant because what would cue me in was seeing little piles of droppings on the floor, I never actually noticed the bats first. I would find them on top of door and window frames. I would put on gloves, gently scoop them up whilst they went "ik-ik-ik-ik!" and take them outside and off they would flap!

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I wish I did have a story. We used to have hundreds of bats where I live. I used to wake up everyday with guano all over my car. Now I'm lucky if I see any at all. About 15 years ago we had two nestled between some blue board and a window in my sons room. He used to love to look at them. But I've seen no evidence of bats around my house in the past 10 years.

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I rescued a very tiny bat at work. It was late spring or early summer and the Brew Pub I worked at would leave our garage door open to make it easier for our employees to get garbage out to the dumpsters. But, it also left the catacombs under the building open. A barback told me he saw a bat but didn't want to go near it, so I grabbed a to-go container and lined it with napkins, double gloved my hands and got a bar towel and found it. The poor thing was hanging on to dear life to the wall, I gently nudged it into the container and walked it away from the building and set it in a nearby bush. It flew away happy and safe

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No, Baltimore City requires you to contact them to come and get it so they can test it for Rabies. And you have to quarantine your entire house pending results.

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and man-ups constantly going every which way. A co-worker found a tiny bat on the floor in the main machine area. My husband and I decided to save the little guy. Remembering not to handle it with our hands, we gently enticed him into a small box with a piece of cardboard. I tried to take it to an animal rescue spot down the road but they were closed. By the time I came back to work, the bat was scratching in the box. Hubby and I took the box to a warehouse door and opened the lid. The bat immediately flew outside, stopping to grab some flies along the way.

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I was flagging at night just outside of Wasilla, Alaska & we use portable light plants to make our area a bit brighter for traffic to see us. Nightly bats would have a field day overhead. One Little Brown somehow knocked itself silly by running into one of the lights while it was noshing on moths (a bazillion moths all over the place!) & almost landed on top of the other flagger. My colleague called me over to her station & I very gently wrapped it up with an extra small blanket I had in my vehicle & placed it in the back of my van with the back door open. Luckily very little traffic at 3:00 am, so I could keep an eye on it & the traffic. About 2 hours later it was starting to move around & I was getting a bit anxious as traffic was picking up & I didn't want it to get creamed by a vehicle when it wanted to go. My boss showed up to give us a potty break & I was able to reposition my vehicle so the back end pointed towards the woods, pond & side road. Perfect timing, as about 15 minutes later we saw it fly away & not into traffic.

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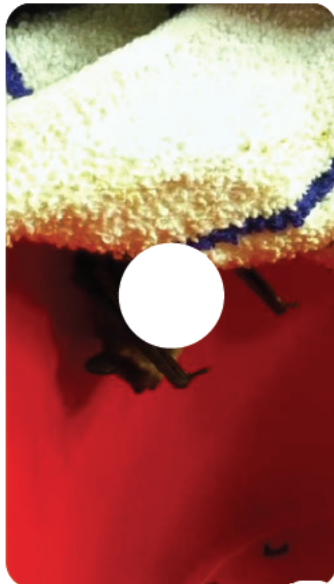
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This dude, Sluggo, lived with me for two months when he woke early and could not be set free outside. Best wildlife experience EVER!



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From BC Canada. Found one on the ground encircled by sticks. Someone wanted to help but didn't know what to do. I wrapped it in my hoodie and took him to wildlife rescue. They stitched up the hole in his wing and when he recovered, he was released in. Very large. Happy ending!

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at the time I worked at an animal shelter, so I brought it in. the Dr. I worked with usto work in wildlife, we spent all week feeding the little bat, it was dehydrated too. by come friday I brought it back to my house, it was clinging to a dish cloth so I placed it in a tree so it could continue doing its bat business.

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I grew up in an old Victorian. We would sometimes get bats upstairs that got in through the giant attic. My dad would catch them in a towel and let hem outside. I have vivid memories of being about five, chasing after my father, screaming, "DON'T hurt it! We NEED bats!!! I love them!!"

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Neighbors came to my door at ten at night with her son, crying and hysterical. Initially assumed she was having an emergency or something awful happened since we weren't that close, and the time of night. Turns out, she had a bat in the basement and her husband wasn't home. I went and caught the little thing, probably terrified after being screamed at by her. Released back into the night.

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t was early spring but still very cold I was at work and few came into my store saying a bat was lying on the ground out front. I got a box and blankets and kept him warm until I could leave. I drove him an hour to a wild life rehab center. They gave me his id number so I could call in to check on him. After his quarantine period he was put in to a colony of other baby bats where he stayed until strong enough to be released. I was able to go and see him get released into wild again.

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A bat saved my life once. I was actually in the midst of a drug (prescribed) induced psychosis. My roommate (not realizing what was happening) busted in saying there was a bat in our neighbor's apt. Anyway, I go over there having experience catching a bat before when I was a kid, and they were trying to kill it! I grabbed a pillowcase and carefully walked up to it once it landed and wrapped it up. Poor thing was shaking and squeaking. I wanted to investigate having a bat up close but I knew it was pretty scared. So we went outside and released it.

It went directly at my friend's head who wanted to kill it. Saving that bat distracted me enough from my psychosis I was able to ask for help. We saved each other that night.

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When my daughter was 5, we went to see Santa at the mall. She asked for a bat. Santa gave me the "good luck with that" look. Well, on Xmas Eve, I heard a strange clicking in my room. Upon investigation, I found the grouchy little fluff ball, grumbling at me about the bright light I assume. The Xmas miracle bat delighted my daughter and we made a hibernation box and put him in the rafters over the warm part of the barn. He must have been a stow away in our tree or wrapping paper tubes, and I honestly dont know how long he was our guest. He made it as the box was empty in the spring. Every year since, we end up with a little visitor in our house. The most recent two weeks ago. We have no idea how they get in, this one doing laps around the kitchen. We wonder if it's our Xmas bat coming home every year.

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When i was younger, my dad found a bat in our bathtub. It had come through the window and couldn't find its way out. Dad picked it up in a towel, and put it in this room that they had between rments where we used to dry our clothing. It had large openings, y the morning, the lil bat had taken flight and returned to his e.

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there as long as I can remember. We get about 1-3 bats a year that make it into the house. We have mastered catch and release. One bat got in during December. We knew that we couldn't release ... See more

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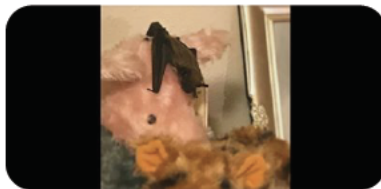
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Yes i do a friend of mine years ago had a bat get stuck on those fly stickers so they threw her in a bush to die i was devo so i wrapped her up and contacted every rescue i could i had no idea what i was doing but droped water in her mouth. I named her emerald and sadly she passed away the rescue contacted me to say the sticky stuff had been on her body too long :(

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We had a bat trapped in our house. My mom panicked, because she has a phobia, and after trying to catch it in a butterfly net, she called my grandma. Now my grandma is a goofy, but tough, old farm lady, who doesn't really understand the dangers of wild animals. She caught it in her bare hands and let it out the window. she's lucky she didn't get bitten, the goofball.

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I taught German part-time at a small high school in Michigan. I walked in, and the administrative assistant said, "Good, we've been waiting for you. There's a bat in the chemistry sink in your classroom, and we figured you'd know how to get it out without hurting it." So, I scoped things out with the biology teacher. Sink is 12"x12"x16" deep with a bat in the very bottom. So, we carefully slid a piece of cardboard under the little one, covered it with a clear plastic tupperware so that it wouldn't fly off into the school once we got it out of the sink, and kind of crab-walked to the nearest door with the cardboard, tupperware, and bat in between us. It flapped off into the nearby pine trees.

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birds. He decided to trap the bats, then release them where he worked. He put the bats in his car and drove across the river at night. He let the bats fly away. A half hour later his wife called to tell him that the bats had returned to the house. The next catch/release effort took him many miles from the city. That worked.

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My 31st birthday morning one of our cats delivered me a gift and placed it right next to my bed. I woke up and found him calmly hanging out and unharmed so I wrapped him up in a towel and took him outside where he took off. Still not sure how he caught it without hurting it, but it was one of the sweetest gifts I'd ever received.

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We had a baby bat fly into our camp when I was little. My big sister was less than useless when it came to animals or bugs so it came down to 8 year old me. I put on some snow machine gloves (heavy leather, I didn't wanna get bit), found the little dude, grabbed him and took him outside. He seemed a little shaken up but I swear he looked me in the eye before turning away and taking off. That was 25 years ago? Always happy I took care of it cause I'm sure mom would have paid for someone to come kill it.

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We were sound asleep one night and woke up to our cat sitting on our bed with his head moving looking at something. We thought it was the fan until he jumped & hit the poor bat to the ground. After awhile we were able to catch it & released it a few miles away where bats live. An animal control company set up a system in our attic that allowed the bats to leave but not return.

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I do bat rehab in Washington, my first ever bat Miss Sparkle came in for likely being attacked by a crow. Her wings were torn up severely and even after healing would be unable to be released, I decided to work with her as an education bat. A couple weeks into her time rehabbing she started getting really fat... like excessively fat even for a big brown with free food. Well come to find out she's pregnant! A couple weeks in she birthed a healthy baby boy! While mama could not be released baby Eddard was set free with a small group of big browns the following spring

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Couple of year ago my his and was on way home from his nightshift job. He found an injured bat. So he took off his hi vis vest and wrapped it round the bat. The sspca asked us to keep it in a box until later. When they came to get it the box was empty. It must had just needed a rest and some warmth. No idea how it got out the box and out the room it was in.

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I am a bat rescue volunteer. My very first bat call was in a business complex. It was a baby bat just a few days old. I said where's mum? I look up and she is high up in the building crevice near the roof. I got a ladder but still not even close enough to the roof top. I held my hand up high on top of the ladder and held it there. Mum came crawling down and took her from my palm. Bat rescue SUCCESS!

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I was working at a library when two teen girls came to the help desk and said there was a bat back in the seating area. In my mind I thought baseball bat. So I said, "oh just bring it here and I'll put it in the lost and found." They looked really confused and I was confused by their confusion. So again I said just bring it to me...and they said, not like a bat. Anyway it took a couple minutes of confused conversation before I figured out that it was a animal bat ahaha. So I grabbed a plastic bag to cover my hand, went back grabbed and put it safely outside. I was so grateful the girls were there and I was there because I love bats and my coworkers at the would have lost their minds.

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Sierra Nevada foothills and we sometimes find a few little browns hiding out there if the weather gets too stormy. This one was attacked by a BlueJay and thrown on the floor. Remembering a post from your page, I scared the Jay away and used a ruler to let the bat climb on a I moved it to a high point on the window screen that it would grab (there was no good sheltered tree nearby). I then took a big piece of cardboard to make a lean-to cover to protect the little guy. I kept checking on him and he did eventually fly off. We all get happy when the bats are found up on the wall and are pretty protective that no one disturbs hem . I always name them Boris and/or Natasha. (Don't know why, but I do)

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I have one but it's about 30 years ago.

My mom and biological father seperated when I was just two years old. Shortly after i turned five she started seeing another man. One of the first things we did all together was go to a book fair at my school and i became enamored with a book about bats. I evidently didn't ask for it but just kept going back to it. That man (henceforth known as my Dad) bought me the book. And I was obsessed. So when we bought some property with a house already on it, dad carefully made sure the bats were safe. That's when he found one trapped. He carefully picked it up with a gloved hand and saved it. I remember being able to see it fairly close. When nightfall came, we let it out and it flew around our heads a couple times and took off.

I was five and a lout of the finer details are lost. But I did know that my mom and dad did all they could wherever we lived to make sure the bats stayed safe. As have I.

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We remodeled an old farm house and we had no clue there were bats in the attic.... One night we had 2 flying in the house and I caught them with an old ice cream tub and let them outside.A week later while sleeping my daughter was bit on her foot. The bat was still on the bed in the morning and my Dr told me to bring it in. Unfortunately it tested positive for rabies so my daughter went through all he shots she was 16.We teased her dates that she had all her shots . I try to educate people how beneficial bats are and I still just love them.

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For B.C. Canada, my husband was cleaning up for our first date, his cat brought in an assumed dead bat. My husband loves bats, so he was upset that the cat caught one. He went to take it outside and it started flying around the dining room! He eventually got back outside still in good health!

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I volunteer for Safe Wings Ottawa (bird rescue), and we also rescue bats that we come across. I got a call from my boyfriend one morning that there was a bat in his office, but that it was ok ... pest control had been called. I ran over as fast as I could, scared that they would get there before me! I walked in, saw the bat and had it bagged within a minute or so (I always carry a bat bag with me). On my way out, I told the receptionist to cancel pest control. They couldn't believe I had it with me ... they thought I was joking. The bat went to a rehabber to spend the rest of the winter and was released in the Spring.

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Not a rescue story as such but...one night was out walking the dog with mom and saw some sky puppies swooping and doing their thing... Mum was like "O.O" but I was so excited....anyway I said out loud "Hellooooooooooooo babies!! How are yooooooooo!!!!" And I swear to God they swooped closer to me the more I spoke they swooped and circled me before heading off to hunt I was so honored... Mum was like ".....now seen everything....freakin bat whisperer....."

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noises in her closet. I went to look and there was a baby bat in there. I got it into a shoe box and kept it in the quiet till dusk when I knew the skies without be full of bats. Took the box outside and just removed the lid. Took the little guy a while, but he lifted off and joined the others.

I was about 16, no gloves, etc. Turned out fine and baby was healthy, wouldn't do it the same way today!

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I rescued a bat when I was only 10. The poor thing was trapped between steel inside a building and it was crying (shrieking more correctly) in the middle of the day. I released wearing overb gloves and held it in a blanket. Left it in our bathroom with dim lights and some lettuce and a bit of water. It was small, the size of a swallow bird and furry .

After a while started to fly and hanged from the bathroom curtain. We released it outside at dusk. I will never forget how cute it was

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About 6 years ago we were living in Arlington TX. We were out and about doing some shopping, my son waited outside to smoke a cigarette. Out of nowhere this tiny bat crawled to him and up his pant leg. He thought well this I pretty cool. Knowing I love bats, he scooped it up in his sweater sleeve and found me in the store. Of course we didn't want to handle the little fella, but we weren't for sure what to do with him or if he was hurt. We found a small animals vet and started there. They told us they couldn't help us. I didn't have my phone on me so I asked them if they would look up the contact info for Bat World Sanctuary. When they did a search for me they were thankful to know Bat World was there in case someone ever brought a bat in again. So I contacted them and they happened to have a volunteer in Bedford TX, not to far from where we were. I called her up and she gave me her address and we headed straight over there. Again, we did not touch the bat directly. She checked his wings and body. He seemed to be a healthy juvenile bat that was probably blown away from the storm the night before. I'm just glad he found us and not someone who is a afraid or even disgusted by bats. And I was thankful I knew about Bat World. I hope that little guy had a happy life.

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I used to lifeguard at a lake as a teenager. Thee was an old boat house that was full of bats. So much so that even during the day occasionally they would bump each other out of the eaves. Little bats would cone furthering out and probably shocked by the sunlight flutter aimlessly until they fell in the lake. I would blow the whistle and clear the swimming area and swim out to grab the helpless bat. Then I'd climb back up on the stand, usher folks back into the water and put the bats on my suit to dry. They always would spread their wings wide and lie on me the whole time I had to watch. When I'd look down at them they would look at me and "talk". At the end of my sit on the stand I would take the little bats to the opposite side of the boathouse and place them on the wall and they would climb back up to roost. And that began my love affair with these amazing little creatures.

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Rescued two from a fire. The rest of their family sadly burned. Brought them to the local rescue. Tiniest pups I've ever seen and so adorable

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I was walking by a river one time and saw something drop from under the bridge and land in the water. It floated on the surface like a leaf.... a black leaf..

I knew something was wrong.

I caught as it was floating passed me and it turned out to be an adorable Little Brown Bat.

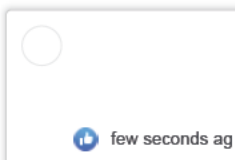
ed it off the best I could and tried to warm it up.

ut 15minutes later it was feeling better and it flew back up to a under the bridge

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house and of course I love bats. I believe it was a big brown bat (we were in VA at the time). We locked our cat in the bathroom, opened the front door, and tried to shoo him out but he didn't seem to want to fly out. He eventually landed on the floor and we got a baseball cap over him, carefully slid a piece of cardboard under the hat to scoop him up, carried him outside and he flew off.

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One summer night we were driving down a county road and a bat flew right in front of us. We were sure we hit it. We pulled into a little country bar well lit parking lot and got out and looked. He was between the grill and radiator. We popped the hood and I took a rag and lowered it to the bat. He climbed up the rag and flew away.

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It's somewhat a release story. When I was in the army, a Indiana brown got stuck in the grill of my humvee. I carefully got it unstuck and let it fly off on its own

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Boyfriend ran a cat off who had caught a bat. Checked him over, he looked good (just shook up). Picked him up with some cardboard, and moved him to the bat house. He was gone shortly after.

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When I was younger I was in Boy Scouts (I know I'm a girl, but I didn't want to be a Brownie lol) and we found a bat on the ground outside the church where we had our meetings. Our leader used a soft towel and gently picked it up and tucked it back in where it would be safe.

The next week, we learned how to make bat houses

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2

A bat flew into our house one evening. Because I've been following the bat posts I knew what to do!! I got a hand towel & gently removed it from the wall. I took it outside & gently tossed it up in the air (release videos) & it flew away! I earned serious cool mom points from my then 6 year old. He still brings it up. Thank you for all you do for our little friends!!

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Only in dreams. I've had quite a few dreams about rescuing bats and releasing them. I always know exactly what to do because of you.

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No pictures, but I've rescued and released from various office buildings we manage...while grown men hide in their offices. Not one has acted frightened or tried to harm.

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I emptied a bucket of water that had moss in it, the moss came to life it was a bat!!!

I wasn't sure what to do with it, couldn't leave it to dry out as I have a cat and so did my neighbour!

I popped it in an ice cream tub (empty) and took it to the vets!

Not what they were expecting....

Not long after I took him home, kept him safe in a box in my car until dusk, then set him free!

He wouldn't let go of my glove though!

Long live Brian.

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bat flying around in our house now remind you we had some construction going up on her attic that are landlord was doing so next morning I woke up and I can hear it it was behind our refrigerator so I got a pair of construction gloves on pulled my refrigerator out and that's when I fell in love it was the most cutest most scared thing I've ever seen in my life I let him go and yeah that's my story

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I had one fly into my living room around 11:30 one night while I was watching TV. My first thought was, "MY GOD, that's a big moth" and my second thought was, "I'm pretty sure it's too late to get animal rescue over here." The bat started flying in circles around the room, so I turned off the ceiling fan, ducked, and grabbed the dog to lock her in another room. Then I opened the front door (which thankfully was in the living room) and stood behind it. Every time the bat flew by, I whispered "big space through the door." After about 8 more circles and me whispering at it, the bat flew through the door and into the night. Whew!

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Found this little fellow on the ground after a storm with a broken wing. Call a rescue and she took him to the bat sanctuary in Ft Worth. They kept him.



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One evening, I was rehearsing a play in an old theater building here in southwest Michigan. I went to use the restroom and found a bat floating in the toilet bowl! We knew there were bats in the attic, but this was the first we had seen in the people-populated area. It looked dead. I fished it out of the water and dried it off using a paper towel. At the time, I was attending college and working in the "bat lab," so was up-to-date on my rabies shots. Good thing, too. As I dried the Big Brown bat, it began to move around. It was so cold from floating in the water. I kept on drying/stroking it, letting it warm up, until it began to fuss. Then I took it out side and released it.

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Years ago, I heard noises in my family room. I saw what I, at first, thought was a tiny monkey in between the storm window and the inside window trying to get out. Closer inspection showed it to be a bat. As I stood my with a sheet, my husband and father in law opened the window and I was able to safely catch the bat—we took it out and released it. I still wonder how that bat got in between the two windows on the first floor. There were bats around as I always loved sitting outside at dusk in the spring/summer watching them dance in the sky.

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Last year rescued 9 bats from out of our house.... it's a old farm house.

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We had a bat in our house for 2 days. My husband though he heard a bat while we were in bed on night. I rolled my eyes & said it was to ably a mosquito.

The next night we heard flapping

I saw it crawl under our door into the hallway. Could not for it. The day it was on the top of the fireplace rock wall. He put a cop of it, cardboard under it & released into the yard.

It flew at us & screeched

It crawled time a tree & up he went.

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and set them free outside and tell them I love them. I got one out of my brothers house in the middle of the day and felt bad for waking him up in the middle of his night. And then my husband brought one grounded home and we let him warm up and rest until he was ready to go home.

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I got one for ya, lol. I was working day labor, work today, paid today. I was assigned to assist maintenance at a condo in Gulf Shores AL. That day I was washing the outside windows of the walkway when I saw this bat on the ground. It was alive, but you could tell something was not right. I didn't want to touch it with my hands so I found a large cup, put it in front of the bat, took my squeegee and coaxed it into the cup. Found a box, put some rags in it and placed the bat there until I could make some phone calls to wildlife rescue, I was not able to contact anyone by the end of my shift, my bosses told me to dump it in the park on my way home, I could not do that, I figured I would do what I could until I could find someone who knew what to do. When I stopped to get my check, the lady who was processing it said she used to care for bats. WOW, I was shocked because it is not like you find a bat AND someone who knows how to care for them who is not associated with a rescue place, lol. Come to find out, the bat's wing was cut, she said it could have been done by a cat, which is correct, because there had been a stray sighted in the area, it allegedly killed some beach mice too, nature. After about a week, the bat got away from the lady, flew up into her barn and as far as I know, lived a happy little life.

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My daughter and I found one by the barn on the ground. Since it was inside the fenced yard, safe from most predators, my daughter stood watch against owls while I grabbed the phone. We called a local rescue and after many questions and observation we determined it was probably stunned from flying into the barn. My daughter and I stood vigil for about an hour. Often talking with rescue. But keeping our little friend safe from roaming cats and hungry owl and such until our friend recovered and returned to the night.

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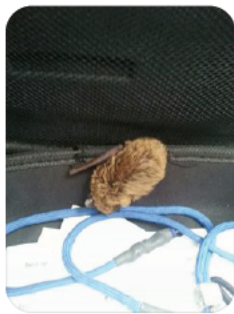
My husband was taking some folks out sailing one day. When he let out the jib, a young bat fell out, into the water. Apparently, it had crawled into the folds of the sail to sleep. He fished the poor little struggling bat out of the bay, and put it in

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The little sailor



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Found a bat in a garbage bag at work, everyone was too scared to get it out so a coworker & I got it out using a pole, once it grabbed on we stood outside with it for atleast 10 mins on the deck till it hopped off & took flight, momma bat was still circling the area looking for her baby, we watched em fly off

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learned how to take care of it. I had it around two weeks until it learned how to fly. When i released little franky i noticed that he would sleep outside my window for about a year. i become a bat protector since then.

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My youngest daughter asked me on morning when we the new fish in the aquarium? I said we didn't get a new fish and she just pointed at the tank. In our tank flapping like a manta ray was a little brown bat. I got a pot scooped him/her out and took it outside and placed him in my Golden Glow plant in the garden. I am from Ontario Canada

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We came home one night and my 9 year old cat was frantic. He was pretty much yelling as soon as we got home. He led me to our bedroom. He honed in on the corner of the bed. I seen nothing. I leaned on he side of the bed to see if something was on it. Our room is kind of dark. As soon as I leaned. I heard a squeal. There between the flat sheet and the comforter was a little baby brown fruit bat. Hubby got a towel. I gently scooped it up went out on the porch. Opened the towel and it sat there for a second and flew away. No idea how it got in our apt. We live in Largo Florida. To be honest hat baby was lucky. Diesel the cat is a hunter. Thankful I could save it

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I saw a bat on the ground being attacked by a blue jay. I ran the jay off and realized the bat had a baby on her no bigger than my fingernail! I carefully put her in the crotch of a tree. A few minutes later she flew away....I was glad to have a chance to help her.

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One night I woke up and my husband was dancing and twirling at the end of the bed. I watched him for a minute, too cranky to laugh at how ridiculous he looked. I said, "What the hell are you doing?"

He told me there was a bat and he was trying to catch it. I shook my head and turned on the light. The Mexican freetail bat stopped flying and landed. I gently retrieved it and put it outside.

By hat time I wasn't cranky anymore and teased my husband about his interpretative dance. He said he didn't turn the light on because he didn't want to wake me up. Sweet silly man. Kind of a silly story, but I suppose it was a bat rescue.

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Here in Santa Cruz CA, we opened our patio umbrella to find a cute little bat sleeping in the folded umbrella. We left the umbrella folded and let the little guy finish resting. Next night, we opened the umbrella and he was gone. Easy! Also, we have bat friends that like to sleep for a day or two in the entry way to our house. The house is stucco, so it's easy to grip on.

I put a bat box in a big oak in the back yard, but they seem to prefer patio umbrellas and the entryway

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I found a baby bat on my garage floor last year and I couldn't find a rescue to take it so I placed it on a tree outside of my garage. I checked on it a couple of hours later and it was gone. I honestly feel Momma came and got him.

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My husband saw one in his office building stairwell and people were freaking out, and he just calmly caught it, let it go outside and went about his business. About an hour later he ran into an animal control guy wandering the stairs looking for a bat that someone had called about!

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was 17 I woke from a panic attack, so I went down stairs to make some tea to calm down. While i was sitting there having my tea i started reading stellaluna, and decided to read aloud. When I went back upstairs my stepdad was heading out to have a cigarette, when he noticed a bat was hanging on the kitchen curtain.... the whole time I was out there reading to bat about a lost bat.. it's kinda weird...

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Just this year, there was one up in the corner of our outside gym door at my school. It was pretty little and it was very windy outside. Our custodian went to get gloves and a box and I stayed with the bat. We got it into a box, I made him promise me he wouldn't kill it. He took it to a tree and let it go

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When I lived in my old house, for some reason every year between August and October we would always get one or more bats in the house (one at a time, but happened multiple times in a year sometimes) We got to the point we bought a butterfly net specifically for his purpose so we could catch them and release them outside without hurting them. We lived in that house 16 years. Never did figure out how they were getting in, but by the last few years we were just like, totally nonchalant, "Oh look, there's another bat. Where's the net?"

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I have rescued several in my backyard under my bat house. I use a fence slat. I lean it against the landing pad on the bat house. I place the bat on the board and they scurry up the board. Some people have called me when they found bats on their lawn after trimming their palm trees. They thought they were babies. They were adult brazilian freetails. I just picked them up and held them up. They took flight. Circling a few times and flew right back up into the palm tree

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We had one manage to get through from the attic. He was just a little guy (we live in Michigan, I'm not sure what kind of bats we have). We successfully captured him with a blanket and let him back outside. We see bats flying around here quite often. I like to think one of them is him (or her).

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When I was younger we had a bat get stuck in the house. We used a pool skimmer on a poll to catch it against the wall and move it along the wall to the open window so it could fly away.

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My hubby was working on the coast of NJ running heavy equipment and a bat flew into the side of his dozer. My daughters and I were there to meet him for lunch when it happened so we carefully picked the poor little thing up and took it a ranger station up the road and they took it in. Later that day we went to check on it and it was roosting in the rafters of the office and they were calling someone else in to come and get it. We were thrilled to know it was ok. This was several years ago and I don't remember what kind it was but they said it was rather rare and for it to be out in the cold weather was unusual. Don't know what happened to him after that.

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One flew into my bathroom and fell into the toilet (landlord left a massive hole in the ceiling that connected to the attic). Took a flour sifter, scooped it out, placed it in a shoe box, and it flew out of the box shortly thereafter.

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exterminator services. I of course, pounced on their situation and explained that you can't do anything until after the pups were old enough. I went and installed mesh and flap traps over the roosting areas in their attic vents. Once all bats. (A total of 50-60 from 3 houses) were collected. I moved them to a waiting colony house I built a few years ago that I hadn't mounted yet. Took them all to a secluded lake property and gently moved them one at a time into their own private sections of the new roost. I knew it was only temporary but I hoped some would stay, sadly none did. But zero casualties from the collection and relocation

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My friend called me in a panic, because there was a bat stuck in the hallway to her apartment. They knew that I wasn't afraid of bats, and that I'd help him get back outside. So, I grabbed some heavy duty rawhide gloves, and was able to get our flying sweetheart back outside. I put him in a tree on a branch.

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Working for the city of Salem in Oregon years ago I stopped in to see our dispatcher. Being October, I complimented her on the excellent bat ornament she had hanging in the doorway.

"What ornament?"

It moved

Longer story short, I netted it gently and released it outside. It flew away unscathed.

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Found this little fellow on the ground after a storm with a broken wing. Call a rescue and she took him to the bat sanctuary in Ft Worth. They kept him.

I was going to post a picture, but I can't

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We lived in Bartow, FL we need to paint our shutters because they were an power blue... my husband pulled off the first shutter and he felt something fly by him... he pulled off the next one and there were two bats then the third had about 30 bats behind it. He put the shutters back up and got to work learning how to build a bat house. He built an amazing bat house and found the best place for it. We then had the happiest bat family... we could hear them every nightfall and we would sit in our car and watch them swoop around eating up all the mosquitoes! They were amazing! One made it in the house though a vent for the kitchen. We grabbed a towel gently grabbed him took him to bat house and he climbed right back inside. We have moved now... and I miss them a lot.

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I had an animal control officer bring in a large dog who had been hit by a car to me as an emergency veterinarian. When we unwrapped the blanket from the injured dog a small bat was clinging on to it. It was too cold to release, but animal control had a place at the shelter where they kept them until it was warm enough to release them!

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I stopped people at my work place from hitting a bat with a broom some years ago. It was hanging from the rafters in a storage shed; I told them it would be gone by twilight...that's when it would go off to hunt snacks. Sure enough by around 7-8 pm, it was gone. We just have small bats around here.

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When I was little, we realized that something was getting into the fig newtons at our cabin. My mother caught a small bat in the middle of the night raiding the cookies, Unfortunately he was injured when she tried to shoo him off. The camp wildlife specialist patched him up and let him until he was healed and then let him go.

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to dining room, around and around near the ceiling, while I ducked and tried to figure out how to get it to fly out the door (which was not a straight path). It finally got so tired, it flopped down, panting, on the potted ficus I had in my living room. I picked up the whole plant, bat and all, and placed it on my back deck. Little bat lay sprawled on the leaves for another minute or so, then flew off into the night.

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Years ago I was a counselor at my kids ' church camp while they attended. Every day there were Bobble lessons in a small chappel, rotating kids in and out in intervals, since it was small and couldn't for all the kids at once. When our group went inside, after a while someone discovered about a four inch wood bat never a child's char and things began to get a little out of hand rather quickly. Fearing that some city -dwelling adult would freak out and beat it to death if given the time to think of that, I grabbed a tissue, gently scored the little guy up, and placed it as high as I could reach on the steep roof of the same chappel. It crawled a bit higher and out of reach, but stayed a long while. Later it was gone tho. Whew! Sonora, California

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Mine isn't very big but they were redoing the siding on my house to I covered my pond to keep trash out of it. When I checked, there was a bat on the cover so I relocated it to he woods across the field so it wouldn't get smashed by careless workers

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Had one sneak into our bedroom when we had the windows open (painting second story above front porch) and we didn't realize he was there until we were in bed and he started flying above us!!

Hubby screamed bloody murder and I sent him outta the room, took screen back outta window and turned all the lights off, lil fella fella (with a wee bit of coaxing) finally made a break for it!

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We had a 100+ year old house and several bats end up in our house over a roughly 2 year span. My favorite encounter was the first. It happened when I was about 14. I was supposed to be sleeping, but I was up in my room reading. My parents were watching Dracula on tv & a bat came flying into the family room! It flitted around for a solid minute then casually flew back out! At first, my mom thought it was a butterfly. Nope! My dad & his trusty assistant- a dainty Siamese cat- sort of encouraged/chased it towards the front door... my mom (who was completely freaking out now that she knew what it was) opened the door and their winged visitor flew off into the night! If I had not snuck down the stairs to see what the commotion was, I would never have believed it! My parents finally got all the cracks & spaces in the attic professionally sealed and we never saw a bat in the house again.

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Nothing very exciting, a few years ago while walking to my car after work, in found a small bat on the sidewalk in Chicago. I put on my work gloves and picked it up then deposited high it in a tall bush. A few minutes later, I saw it fly off.

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Last summer we had a bad storm at night. The next day when I got home from work, my neighbor came to get me because she had found a baby bat on the pavement in the parking lot and didn't know what to do. She said it had been out in the sun for hours. I remembered the seeing the bat sanctuary posts on FB so I called and you guys told us how to help it. We picked it up with a twig and wedged it between some tree branches as high as we could reach. After testing for almost an hour, it flew off to live happy ever after. Thanks from Ohio!

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I rescued a little brown girl back in November. Took her to a friend who rescues and rehabs. He release her 2 weeks ago.

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Right after we moved into our home I heard one in our bedroom but thought I was going insane. That night we went to bed and he was flying around. I managed to open the window and turned the light off and he flew out himself

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I did rescue a fruit bat from work one time and ran him to a rescuer on my lunch hour but sadly he did not make it
Just had my 2 new bat houses hung today on a nice tall branches tree so they get lots of sun

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I saved a bat from some Halloween spiderweb he had his foot and wing stuck in it i removed all the web and moved him to a higher place because we have cats didn't want the little guy to get hurt

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A bat got in our garage, my husband got gloves on and carefully caught it. We woke our oldest up so he could see it, he thought it was so cute (it was) my husband then went to show my mom and the bat got away, we had to chase it all over the house, haha, we finally got the poor little guy and let him go.

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My story isn't too exciting. I was walking toward a salon with plans to get my hair cut and saw a lot of commotion at the pet supply shop next door. Customers and staff were running around screaming and waving brooms. I asked what was going on and they told me there was a bat in the store. It took some convincing but I got everyone to calm down and be quiet and had the staff prop the door open. It wasn't 2 minutes before the poor little guy was able to navigate his way out. I wish people would just have some common sense and not freak out when they see a wild animal.

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scue, but my son was cutting trees and a couple babies fell out, he caught them and relocated the mom and babies to a tree that was already trimmed.

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Here is the pic of momma! I don't know what kind of bat she is, her babies are hanging her.



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Found one on the ground in a parking garage. Called a local wildlife rescue place and learned how to help the little guy out. Carefully transferred him to a tree. He sailed away on his journey at dusk!

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house.. oh it was soooo traumatizing... derpa derpa derr"... it's so obnoxious! I just want to put it out there for any bat in the western New York area... c'mon over to my house to get warm and cozy!!
I will make sure you get out safe and sound

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A friend of mine, a former roommate, was fascinated by the bats that lived around her new home. She kept talking about how beautiful they were and how she wished she could see one closer.

A couple of nights later, she was getting ready for bed and her cat tore off down the hall, chasing a flying bat. She locked the cat in a bedroom and tried to scoot the bat outside, but it went into a corner and slipped down behind a bookshelf.

So.. all the books out, shelf moved, bat scooped up in a towel and taken outside for a safe release. Happy ending.

This is the same gal who kept talking about how she missed my dog after she moved to the new place. I told her to adopt. Too much trouble. "If I'm supposed to have a dog, it'll have to come to me."

A couple of weeks later, she was on the phone... "There's a dog outside my back door."

"That's your dog. Give it some water and take it to the vet."

She had that sweet pupper for 15 years. And she got a lot more careful about wishing for animal encounters.

True story.

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A beautiful one in my Pool cage for about one hour. He or she was making noises and I could see other bats trying to help. I was exhausted trying to get her free, after a long time I think she knew that I just wanted to let her go so she stay still and I finally got her out. I was able to see her flying away with the others that they still overflying...

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My parents had bats move into their carport. They found a baby on the ground. My mother put in her bra. Nestled in her cleavage until it warmed up then put it back in the ceiling.

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I'm not really sure this constitutes as a rescue because the bat got away but I was very happy to know since I didnt catch it they wouldnt kill it to test for rabies. I live in WNY right on Lake Erie. We have lots of bats that eat all the bugs and mosquitoes around our house. One night I fell asleep and woke up to a bat fluttering its wings underneath my chin it had somehow got in and trapped in our screened area. I think the bat was panicked. I grabbed the bat off of me and threw the blanket over my head until morning. I called my mom the next day on my way to work to just tell her bc I was a little bit freaked out and had some small scratches on my chest. She proceeded to call the erie county department of health who informed her that unless I had the bat for testing I needed to start the rabies shots asap. Luckily for me this was when they did the arm and leg series and not the shots in the belly button. So for the summer before I returned to my sophomore year of college I got rabies shots. All of my family bought and made me all sorts of bat related paraphernalia like tshirts and stuffed animals and even a giant rubber bat lol. The worst part about it was the tetanus shot. That was the only shot that hurt.

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Found a pygmy bat on the floor on the way home from school about 20 years ago. Took it home and put in an empty tea box (earl gray i think) called the rspca and they said to feed him some banana while they came to get him

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an office cat in residence I knew he had to be moved. We didnt have a ladder so I called fire dept to ask if we could use theirs. They sent a ladder truck and crew. They rescued the bat so we could release it outside .

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We had the slider open one nice evening many, many moons ago when I was but a wee child, and there must have been a hole in the porch screen, because I looked up from my book (which was ironically one of Kenneth Oppel's Silverwing books,) to find a bat...
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I have rescued two bats..one on the wall outside the front door of the library where I worked and the other in a friend's house. I had my leather elbow length gloves and my coffee can with lid. Scoop them up and set them free. The one in my friend's house hissed at me!!

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We bought our first house in February 2004. Several times that first summer we woke up to a bat flying around our bedroom. We'd lock the cats out, catch it in a pillowcase and take it outside but it would just keep getting in again. A couple of times, it flew out of the bedroom and down a level to our kitchen/living room. One afternoon we found the cats getting excited and could hear a lot of squeaking coming from the basement couch. So we locked the cats out and moved the couch, only to find this adorable little bat had gotten in again and made it all the way to the basement! We had actually just set up a bat house in the backyard so we got the ladder and climbed up to install it's first resident! Bats are awesome!

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I found a tiny brown bat stuck in a trash can at a park. I reached inside with an empty big gulp cup and he climbed right in like he knew I was trying to help. I tipped the cup against a tree trunk and he climbed on the trunk and hung there until he was rested and then climbed away up into the leaves.

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One night we came home and I noticed something hanging on my curtains. It was 4-5 little brown bats, caught them all and let them go. Then I saw some hanging on my chimney, caught those and let them go also. Then the next morning noticed dead adults in our fireplace (wasn't burning), so I investigated a little more. Found 9 new babies, called a few different local places to get help with no luck. I decided to go to the store get puppy formula and a bottle and started feeding them myself. Unfortunately they all passed away but one and he was released, came back in the chimney and then re released and flew away.

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These are the 3 that survived the longest.



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that had loads of bat's, most had unfortunately died but I managed to find a little baby one, carried it out in my hands, took it down to the big tree and set it free, was amazing to hold a bat and save it at the same time

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Many years ago, my mom, brothers, sister, & I were in downtown Lewisville, Ky. I found a little bat laying on the sidewalk. I picked up , took it home, put it with rags on a box, when my dad came home we offered it water, it drank a little, when it was dark we took it outside and it flew away. I am now 69, I was about 10 when this happened. We assume it had flown into a window in a tall building and was stunned & grounded. It seemed fine when it flew off.

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My daughter and son-in-law found a small bat hanging on their house near the ground. The bat rescue told them to try to gently slide it into a box using a piece of cardboard. They were able to get it into the box on a soft towel with a few airholes punched in it. They then drove it to the bat rescue. They let them know it was a female Mexican free tail bat, she was dehydrated, they said they would let her rest, rehydrate her and would release her the next morning.

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Our neighbor came walking over after a particularly blustery Florida thunderstorm and said "I think there's a baby rat drowning in my driveway". Wasn't a baby rat, but a baby bat!! Daughter went running off for leather gloves (she knew what I was up to). The Bat Conference was going on so I couldn't catch up with anyone who could tell me what to do so I did my best to warm him up and provide a safe space. Crunches up meal worms was the order of the day and "Rocky" gobbled them up. When someone from the Bat Sanctuary got back with me a day or so later - Rocky was eating well. He knew my son and I were the ones who provided his sustenance and would call when he knew we were nearby. BS said sounded like he was old enough to start attempting a release. We think he was a Seminole bat and all the other bat folks took fruit bats and we couldn't reach the Barry's. Anyway, even placing him bum bum up he wouldn't take off even though other bats were flying around. One night I lifted him up in my hands and momma was flying by getting closer and closer and WHOOSH he was gone!! Up till we moved, when my son or I would be outside at dusk, one bat would always fly within arms length of us. We had only been back from England for a few years - I was THRILLED!!!

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I was closing up my garden shop for the evening one day last summer and closed the door. I started hearing the tiniest little squeal. It was twilight so I couldn't tell where it was coming from. It was getting more frantic every second. I ran to get a flashlight. Came back out to find that I had accidentally closed a teeny tiny baby brown backs wing just under the saddle of the door. I put gloves on and picked him up and he just looked up at me so thankful. He was unharmed. I set him up on top of the shed figuring his momma would come find him. She did.

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I'm in Calgary Alberta, Canada. While shopping at Superstore I heard a bunch of people screaming and run from the electronics section of the store.

Obviously I went to investigate lol

There was a tiny little bat stuck to some dvds and not able to get out of the area as it was enclosed in glass. Everyone was yelling/screaming (including staff) so I grabbed a tshirt and grabbed the little guy in my hands and took him outside to a small wooded area beside the store. Good grief people the bat must have been terrified wondering what everyone was screaming at lol

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meantime had thrown a towel over it to keep it from flying. I very carefully picked up the towel so I wouldn't hurt him and took him outside where he flew off never to be seen again. I had called animal control and when they showed up, they told me they would have killed it. I'm glad I took care of it rather than them.

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I was cutting a sewing pattern and had one fly in through a chimney. I thought it was a large bug, but nope it was a little bat. Now I get called anytime a bat gets into a friend's house to get it out

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I worked in a petstore and a bat got in, couldn't get up off the slippery floor, I got a box over it and gently slide a piece of cardstock paper underneath and let him loose outside!

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When I was in high school I woke up to get ready for school and found two sleeping bats dangling off of our airconditioner - inside the house, in the livingroom. They looked so cool all wrapped up in their wings, one larger than the other, and I studied them for a bit then ran up and got my mom. She said not to worry, they'd soon leave once we were up and moving around. Sure enough once the house was awake and getting ready for the day the two bats slipped outside through some incredibly teeny tiny gap. We never saw them again but sometimes there'd be a bit of bat poop under the airconditioner so we knew they came and went at times!

My mom never stuffed the gap. She said if the bats were coming in they must have a reason because it was only now and then. So I guess we were an emergency shelter at times haha

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I was in CVS in my time one winter and there was a bat flying around the store. Everyone was going crazy. I took a small shopping basket and got it into the vestibule and caught it. Not knowing much about bats at the time I took it to an old abandoned shed that was close by and set it in between some boards. Don't know if that was much of a rescue though.

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I have 2 stories! The first was in the early 80s. I went outside and saw a bat laying in our yard. It looked like it had cancerous tumors on it so I went to get my mom. It turned out the "tumors" were 3 baby bats clinging on to momma bat! We scooped her and her babies into a box and gave her some water. We found a bat rescue two hours away so we took them there. We found out that she had likely been flying for a very long time to escape the fires in Mexico. That's when I started to love bats!

The second story happened a few years ago. I was leaving my house, to go set some traps or something related to the cat rescue group I'm with, and as I'm driving down my street I see a huge Crow with something in it's beak and just as it passed in front of me it dropped what it was holding and I immediately knew it was a bat! I pulled over and picked the bat up, gloved hands, and put it in a box. I contacted YOU and drove her over! It turned out to be a female juvenile bat. Luckily she only had a small tear in her wing and recovered well.

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Oh yes. Woke up at 5 am to make coffee. Thought a moth was flying around the house. Turned to see a bat circling the living room...screamed. husband woke caught it in a beer box. It crawled out of the handle hole onto hubby hand. He screams throws box and bat. Tells me to deal with it. Lmao.well I found the little guy again taped box up and caught him. Called bat sanctuary here in mineral wells they picked him up about 7am. Thank you! This was like 8 yrs ago

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to it and take them back outside, but one time one landed on a curtain so Jon just grabbed the curtain piece with him on it, we took the screen out of the window, and let the little fellow fly off. Now this is going back some 15 years or so.

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I found a Seminole bat and a Mexican free-tailed bat trapped in strand of barbed wire. 2 separate occasions. Was able to set both free!

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On a houseboat on the Shushwap. Had a couple stowaways clinging to the curtains. Husband's family is freaking out as the bats were flying around trying to escape.

I tell them to open all the doors and windows then hold up a quilt to sort of herd them towards the exits. Out the door they flew in just a few minutes.

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Found one in my house: I opened the kitchen window and removed the screen. I turned the light off in the kitchen and on in every other room. It flew about a bit then out the open window.

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Years ago I lived in Conn. At dusk I was getting out of the car when something hit my head! (I have long hair) When I grabbed it I knew it was a little bat. Everyone is screaming kill it. I can't say what I told them. I carefully got him untangled from my hair and he flew off. I watched him flew around a little bit then he left. I'm glad he didn't get hurt, and I wore my hair up and in a hat after.

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Years ago I saw something in the yard that looked like a piece of dried up furry orange rind from the compost pile. As I got closer, it looked like it might be alive.

I got a shoe box and put a dish towel in it. With my oven mitt and another dish towel, I picked her up. When I set her down in the shoebox, she leaned forward a little, and she reached back to get her balance with the teeny tiniest little foot. I was in love!

I called WildCare here in Bloomington, and took her in.

She was an Eastern Red Bat, and I named her Ina, short for Sabrina, coz I knew she was going to live!

Two weeks later they brought her home. We got to watch her eat mealworms in her little bat tent, so she would be released with a full belly. So cute!

For years we would see her circling just over our heads. She knew we were good people.

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I lived in New Hampshire and they would come in for a visit I'd catch them and bring them outside to release them. This was a once a week ritual

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I wish we had bats where we live in Sudbury... I just love them! Is there a way to attract them to us ?!

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We used to find bats in the hose tower at the firehouse. We would capture them and release in the local park.

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padded lunchbox and brought it inside. I called every wildlife place (including Brookfield Zoo and Trailside Museum) and they both told me to put the bat back outside to die. I refused to do that so I looked up humane wildlife rescues and found a guy who drove 70 miles to where I am and took the bat. He said that he has a bat colony on his property and that he will place the bat (who turned out to be a pregnant Brown bat) and place the bat there. He put a pink dot on her nose to identify her and later told me that she had her babies. 6

Lisa Knockel I've caught a lot of bats and released them at my work.

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I've had two experiences with bats. One was about 1950 when I was in a children's home in OH. A bat on a tree trunk had other kids throwing rocks at it. I was 13 and stood up for the bat, offering to beat anyone's butt who threw a rock. They left it alone (I was an ornery little girl!)

In the 90's, when I worked at a Naval Air station on the CA coast, I came in one day to find a bat on the floor of my building. People were freaking out. I got a clean, empty coffee can, scooped up the bat, and took it way out to a tree, where I released it on a branch. 3

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I caught a Mexican free tail in a YMCA during a sleep over. Released it back outside.

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Eric Weiss Had a bat fly I to my apartment 1 night, landed on the curtains, couldnt find way out... tossed a blanket over it and let it go, back I to the night...

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My sister had one come through a pipe in the bathroom shower wall when she was taking a bath and landed on her head and fell in the tub with her.

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 Top fan

Pardon my laugh at the beginning, the look on my husband's face, he still gets very nervous whenever we have a bat visitor. The first time we were both really scared of injuring one of their wings but after 4 visits now over the years we have a system and get the poor little bats out a lot more smoothly. I absolutely love bats. My oldest daughter shouted "MOM! There's a black bird in the house!!" And I'm like okay just a minute I'll get them back outside and then I paused to ask her "A black bird? Are you it's not a bat???" She said "what?! I'll be in my room!!" I'm the one people call for birds and no bat calls yet but lots of "well now I know who to call if a bat gets in" The most recent time my younger daughter shouted "There's a giant bug in my room!" So I told Hubby "she said bug that's your job" He very quickly said "Nope this is your job!" ...when he got to her room. They are amazing! We got this brief slow mo clip from one of the visits.



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💎 Top fan

As a kid I thought I saw what was a sparrow hit our living room window.
I went outside to see that it was a little brown bat.
I thought it was dead, but it started to sort of walk with its wings.
I grabbed a brown paper bag and put the opening in front of its direction, and it went right in it on its own.
I sealed it up and it was quiet.
I showed my uncle, he said oh it'll be fine, take it to the park and let it go, they eat lots of bugs.
It started to rustle in the bag more and more.
But my little sister wanted to see it, but the rustling in the bag was getting more busy.
She started to cry because I wouldn't show her the bat.
My uncle told me ok just let her have a look then go set it free.
I opened the top of the bag a little to show her, but she couldn't see it, so she grabbed at the hole and yanked it open wider, and the bat flew up into her face!
Then took off around the house down into the natural park I was on my way to bring it to anyways.
My sister was scared stupid by that!
She wasn't hurt or anything, but it did bounce right off of her face.
My uncle was trying not to laugh, as he tried to comfort her.

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4

I saved a baby bat in a New Mexico mission once. It was about 25 years ago. I think he's doing well. Seriously, true story.

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Ten o'clock at night I get call from my mom
 "Your father's away on business...I really need your help with something..."
 Crazy thunderstorm, windy...my overly protective mother would normally never want me on the hwy....so of course I fly over...

Pull in, I get out of my car to see her head, (with what appears to be a pillow case wrapped around it like a turban) stick out the 2nd floor window....

"Door's open! Hurry in! I'll tell you when you're in here!"

So, yes. Bat in the house. I careful follow the panicked fella room room, opening windows.

It goes to fly out one but gets caught in one of those 80's-style scalloped blinds with all the fringe....and gets its neck all wrapped up in fringe!!!

Mother freaking, get it out!! Get it out!!!

So I remove the blind from the bracket and step out onto the balcony in the rain and wind and thunder and lightning and I tell her to GET THE NAIL SCISSORS!!!

I was able to get the little brown bat on his back and I snipped away the fringe from around his neck with the rain and wind pummeling me. He flew away unharmed.

In hindsight, I shouldn't have handled it, but I felt so happy to have saved him.

Mom called me Batgirl after that. Lol

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Well it's not a rescue/release per se...

When I was young, I watched a horror movie when my parents were away for a night at a "Hail and Farewell" party for some of my day's fellow officers (one was transferring out, another taking his place)

The movie was Nightwings and it was about developers annoying the local Native Americans (as they were prone to do in the 80s) and so the local shaman decided to plague the white man with vampire bats coming up out of Mexico.

Now horror movies don't usually scare me since I know they're outlandish. Michael Myers ain't surviving being shot, Jason isn't going to survive getting drowned, Freddy's story should have ended when he ended up as crispy critters.

But this had the air of possibility. Not very probable, but possible.

Little did I know this planted the seeds of fear into me. That seed sprouted later that summer when at my aunt's gated townhouse community I was walking back from the pool at night.

A bat flew low and pulled up hard right between my face and the street lamp. 30+ years later and I can still see the veins in the wing membranes.

I don't remember running back to my aunt's house. One second there I was and there was the bat, the next second I'm in my room totally out of breath.

I now had a fear of bats. They terrified me since that day...until

About a year later (the very next summer) I'm walking home in the evening, not full darkness. I'm tossing a baseball into the air and catching it on the way down. One toss I tried to get a pine cone off of the tree. I'm watching the ball coming down and there's something streaking at full speed chasing the ball as it falls to the ground.

Ball hits ground, thing hits ball. I walk over and it's a very dazed and confused bat.

What the...? *This* is what I'm in mortal terror of? A winged mouse who's too stupid to realize that he's so target fixated on the small spherical object in front of him that he completely misses the planet-sized spherical object that's coming right up behind it.

planet-sized because it's the freaking Planet Earth. Funny how works out.

atch the thing for a while and eventually it comes around and s off looking for something more it's size for dinner.

that was the last time I was ever afraid of bats.

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Years ago, my boyfriend and I were taking a walk through the relatively small city where we lived. There was a little bat on the sidewalk crawling around. He looked like he was trying to take flight but couldn't. My boyfriend took off his ball cap and set it on the sidewalk, and the little bat crawled right into it. We took him out to the main fire department, which was in a very wooded area outside of town, and asked the fire chief (a family friend) what we should do with him. There weren't any trees around in town, and we were afraid someone would hurt him or that he would get into traffic. The fire chief took the cap and held it out from him. The little bat got up on the edge of it and took off!

Two days ago, there was a bat in the kitchen at my mom's house. She has a small hole in her kitchen ceiling where plumbing work has been done but the hole hasn't been patched yet. Little dude was hanging upside down from the edge of that hole, apparently sound asleep. I couldn't reach him, but I did manage to tape a bed sheet to the ceiling mostly around him, so he couldn't take off through the house. Mom called a couple of guys who have done work for her in the past. One of them climbed up and got little dude wrapped up in the sheet, then handed him to me. I took him outside and spread out the sheet on the ground. I didn't think he'd be able to take off from the ground. I was ready to hang the sheet from the clothesline, but he took a couple of steps and WHOOSH! There he went! He circled the house a couple of times, and then he was gone. Bye, little dude!

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 Top fan

Found this little guy at school, hanging in a hallway. I got him down and go to educate students about their value, and of course, their adorableness. Pennsylvania Bat Rescue came to get him since it was still hibernation time. Now the maintenance guys call me for bats in the building, even if it's after hours. I don't mind at all!



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Write a comment...

NO. But we had a bat sleeping on our patio

umbrella for a day.



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Years ago I worked at Petsmart. There was a commotion outside the door one evening so I walked out to see what was up. There was a little bat on the ground. A kid was trying to stomp it as it flopped around in a panic. Kid's mother was shrieking "Kill it! Kill it!" I ran in, grabbed the poor bat to save it from the stomping brat, and took it into the store. That was the first time I've ever touched a bat. I was amazed at how tiny the bones in its wings were. It felt so fragile that I was terrified I was going to break a wing just by holding it too tight or something. It didn't want to fly right away. It was probably bruised up from we assume hitting the store window. They do that sometimes if they're carrying a baby, etc. (Did look for a baby but didn't see one.) I put it in a little cage and took care of it for a couple days. Water and such. Gave it a couple days to recoup and then we took it outside, held it up and it flew off into the night. I am hoping it lived a long life after that.

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Top fan

Yes, I had been around ignorant smelly people thinking they were these rabid rabie infested "evil creatures" till I finally captured one that had been somewhere it shouldn't and showed how frightened he little stinky was. unfortunately way too many animals from spiders to snakes to bats to black cats ECT.... Have dumb stereotypes

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8

yea i had a bat in my house without realizing it... poor thing ate ever single spider and then showed up while i was watching tv.. naturally i did NOT know there was a bat in my house!!!i opened the window and the bat flew out...

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God bless you beautiful bat xo

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Reply as Bat World Sanctuary

When I was little, bats would always wind up flying down the old chimney at my grandma's house and wind up coming in her bedroom from the basement. We would wake up to little swishes of wind fluttering over our faces! My grandpa would always catch them with a sheet and take them out and release hem. He was a wonderful man and my love of nature comes down from him. Miss him a lot!

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About 15 years ago, someone had a bar in their apartment and they were gonna shoot it with a bb gun and I wouldn't let them. I grabbed a towel and climbed a ladder to their ceiling and grabbed the bat I bad and took it down by the river and released it. Nothing very special or exciting. Just happened lol

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Son had shut the door & we're hiding in the lounge until I came home to deal with it.

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1 years old , we found a little brown bat between windows, had come in the little vent hole(Northern Manitoba Canada) everyone was scared and freaked out, I grabbed a towel, lifted inside window and gently picked him up, had him his at me, was carefull not to touch, and took him outside and released, ive helped out 3 others later on in life. #luvthebats

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Yes! Many visitors over the years. We had them humanly excluded a couple years back (our 'new' cats have claws and would prob kill them)...

BUT! We had a visitor last Friday! This is odd, because in the past we have only had fall visitors (we r in Ohio). We opened the window and she flew out.

I am really worried for them now (cats). We will have the bat excluders back in the fall.

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 Top fan

No I'm from the Netherlands..... We don't have bats in the wild...

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Years ago my ex husband and I found a bat in a 5 gallon pail in the garage. We left it so that it could fly away and go back home. While we were inside that evening watching TV I jumped up and said "it's gonna die." and ran outside. That was the moment I remembered the bats need to drop to fly so I propped the pale up so he could crawl out, drop and fly. That evening he did in fact fly away.

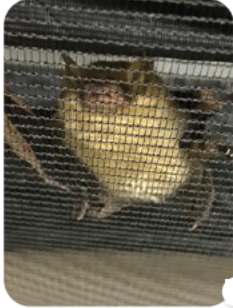
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farmhouse we bought. We would go outside at dusk to watch them all fly out of the vent on the side of the house. They didn't stay after that first winter. I think the sudden appearance of a family with 2 young kids taking the place of the quiet widow who used to live there disturbed them too much.

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I have two, one about 9yrs ago when I used to work at my old job, ppl were screaming about a bat in our front entrance on the ground. My associate like kill it and I'm like no I need gloves and a empty shoe box with holes. Than I handle it with care an... [See more](#)



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I always loved bats like my first tattoo is a bat - but unfortunately on the night of my grandfather's funeral we were discussing bats and how they somehow managed to get into my aunt's house or my cousin's (SHES an elementary teacher) school. Anyway so they go out to walk the dogs and we hear screaming and they all run back inside going "THERES A BAT THERES A BAT". My mother and I go into the hallway with a towel cuz I love bats and wanna see if it's true. It is, poor thing is flying around the hallway. Now this is perplexing cuz the only way into the sixth floor is elevator, which in itself you need to come in through the garage or lobby. No windows that aren't screened on this floor. Poor thing hung up on my grandparent's appartement door and was shaking. I threw a towel up and it just fell into it. Like plop. Didn't move or try to get out. We brought it outside and put the towel down a good distance away from the entry way, opened the towel so it could fly off. Stayed there for a few seconds then flew away. Mother is convinced it was my grandfather come to say goodbye to us. Here's a picture, I'm pretty sure it was a little brown bat given it's Ontario/Canada and they're more common. Also watched over a little bitty baby bat once when I was in my teens for a few hours that got abandoned by its mom. I was in charge of making sure the dogs didn't eat it cuz my arm was broken and I was the only one who had to sit put and could therefore watch it.



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I had terribly ignorant coworkers at Home Depot. The location was near a river and on a rare occasion we would have bars wind up in the store. I have horror stories as to how my coworkers killed them (I wasn't there to stop it). I gained fame by catching a little brown bat that had gotten into the corridor on the way to the break room with the cup and piece of paper trick and releasing it outside. Now I would find a rehab person but that was then. You'd think I'd battled Mothra in the hallway and won.

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it down and kill it,I told him to let me try to get it out,so we open the doors and chased it for about a half hour, finally it made a bee line for the door and was gone.

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We had one come through an open window (before the screens were in) and attach itself to our textured ceiling. This was years ago in the country in Indiana before there were rescue organizations available but we knew enough to not touch it. Bob is tall so he took a small waste basket and covered it then carefully slid a thin piece of cardboard and got the little guy to release into the waste basket. He flew happily away outside and we promptly put our screens in!

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I've liberated several from inside my former work place. Although it was usually daylight when they were found, I still had to try and release them outside. I worked with my Mom, who knew what a huge fan of bats I am, and she got us a butterfly net for... [See more](#)

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Bryan Matthew Knotts



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4

2 times we had a bat in my house. My hubby and son weren't amused. I got them out safely. The 1st time was real funny my son woke me up at 2am saying something was in his room and the cats were freakin out. I managed to get it out. Told my daughter the next day and she said yeah it was flying around the downstairs around 11. Didn't think to wake you up. Crazy girl. Haha

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My husband disturbed a bat,evidently was in our wood pile. Hibernating I guess. He didn't know what to do. He brought it inside. It was kept in a separate enclosure in a bathroom in the basement. We called rehabbers. Everything he was doing was what t... [See more](#)

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Not sure if it's a rescue story because the bat rescued it's self. One time my boyfriend and I were fishing on lake hickory at dusk when bats began to fly over head catching insects, one of the bats fell into the lake and it swam to the side and got out! It was incredible!

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This little bat thought a middle school was a good place to hang out. Thank you Bat World Sanctuary for providing bat rescue instructions. I was able to get him down and took him to the SPCA who released him that night. Such an amazing experience.



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I remember when I was 9 or 10 my indoor/outdoor cat brought a live bat in the house. No wounds, thank god, but the poor thing did take a shock. We kept them overnight in a good sized bug catching container that usually comes with those kits kids get wh... [See more](#)

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I work in an art museum and this cute big brown bat was setting off the motion sensors all night. I found it lying under a large painting scared and dehydrated (the museum is humidity controlled). I gently scooped it up in a sweatshirt and put in a box... [See more](#)



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Will try to make it short. My sister brought a very small bat up to my parent's home. It had flown into the grill of my her husband's truck. We were going to release it that night. So we put it in a small hamster habitat and put it in my darkened parents room. My dad came home and said he was going to nap for a bit. He was a volunteer fire fighter and it was fire season. I told him he had a roommate for the afternoon. When I told him it was a bat we were going to release he exclaimed "a bat!" In such a high pitch voice, we started laughing. My father was a very deep baritone. We did release it and it went well. After that my dad became a voice for bats. He would go out with the grandchildren to watch bats feed in the light of the security light on his property.

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I had my house pressure washed. The guy laughed about having doused a bat with the cleaning fluid. I poured clean water on it, dried it as best I could with a leaf, and lifted it onto a stump. It was gone the next day, so I'm hoping it felt better and flew off.

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When my daughter was 4, I was on the porch, and she runs over to me and says "mommy! There's a bat in my pool!!" And I walk over and sure enough.. there was a baby Indiana bat floundering in her little pool. So I got a towel and scooped him out and dri... [See more](#)

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We live on San Juan island in WA state. We leave our patio door open during the day, screens aren't needed there. Often times bats slip in around dusk and we don't notice at the time. We have a two story house with a loft and open beams. When it gets d... [See more](#)

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maintenance and release them instead of harming them!

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 Top fan

No, but I did throw rocks at a neighbor when we were kids to chase him off. He was trying to shoot the bats with his bb gun.

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Yes. My friend and I were in Louisville for school. It was November but it had been unseasonably warm. As we were walking the few blocks from our hotel to class, we saw some people poking at something under a bush. We came back a little later and saw that it was a bat - still alive, but in distress and it was rapidly getting colder. We swiped a towel from our hotel room and scooped him into it and carried him back to our room for safekeeping. I don't know how we found a box, but we ended up getting him safely contained and found a rescue equipped to take him for the winter. They named him "Elvis" and released him in the spring.

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I found one on a window ledge at work; he sat there for two days. I picked him up with a T-shirt ; put him in a box and took him to a small animal rescue. They said he was dehydrated but they would release him when he was better.

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A few years ago I found a bat in my basement. I placed him in a safe enclosed box and I took him to a wildlife rescue the next day. He had a broken wing and was able to be released. I kept tabs on him recovery and named him David.

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Lived in SA till early last year... so it's not a rare occurrence to have a bat once or twice a month in your home! Flying around trying to get outside. I used to share a house with another lady who can't stand . So it was always a race between us two... [See more](#)

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I want to be in bat rehab career

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I visited my grandma one day and she used to use those sticky fly trap strips you hang from the ceiling and a bat had got caught in one and I got him down and put some olive oil on a rag and gently got him off and cleaned him up real good. Found a rehabilitator in the area and they looked at him and made sure he was good.. released him a week later.

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My son and I were headed out of our apartment one morning and this little bat was laying at our front door. We scooped him up and i put him in a little carrier and called around and found someone to take her and she got her back to health a released her..

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Ended up being a girl [Like](#) · [Reply](#) ·

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Christmas tree. They had just come from a tree lot 45 min away, drove with the tree strapped to the top of their truck. Idk HOW it happened, but the fishing line type material that was used to hold all the branches down on the tree had pierced through one of the wings, effectively tying this little bat to the tree itself.

Using leather gloves, we carefully freed the bat. A small hole left in the wing & the breathing sounded "off". I work at a vet clinic so the next day I brought it in for a physical. (i had been syringing a little honey water to it overnight). Vet said he wings were functional, but it had pneumonia. He gave the bat a couple injections, i kept it for 48 more hours until the previously audible lung sounds ceased, then brought it outside in the early evening & watched him fly away, free

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My cat brought in a bat one night and it was flying in circles around my bedroom. I waited for it to settle on my ceiling and carefully got it in a bucket and released it into the night. I watched it fly away. I was very relieved.

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Found a bat dehydrated on my bar patio in early afternoon. I put safety cones around him and called our bird lady.

(We have a bird lady!)

She wasn't bat certified yet, so she called our bat woman. (We have a bat woman!)

They took him to rehab and explained how dehydration effects sonar. So now we keep water dishes laying around for critters.

I asked about him a week or so later and they told me he was happy eating insects on a farm.

He was so cute.

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4

We live in a rural neighborhood where it's always windy. When we moved here, we discovered that the previous owner had left her cats behind. One was very loving and always came around if we were outside. We would have brought him in but we are very allergic. One night, my dad and I were outside watching lightning when a bat got blown into the fence at the end of the deck. He was able to hang from the cross bar to rest. Well this cat decided to grab the bat. I picked up the front end of the cat and he dropped the bat. I held onto the cat while dad went to get some gloves and a shoebox. Dad gently rolled the bat into the box. We could see that it wasn't injured. Before we could get the lid on the box, the bat took off into the night. Looked like he flew ok, so we didn't worry about him.

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I have had four bats get into my apartment over a course of two years. Two of those times I had to call the fire department for help to get them out. And they were incredibly kind and gentle when they caught them and even held them so I could see them up close. And then release them outside. The other two I was able to guide myself to an open sliding glass door so that they could fly right out.

This is in Tucson Arizona

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When I was a Downton Ranger for the Austin Police Department I was trained by the Bat Conservancy here in town to handle them. Businesses would find them crawling up the walls and would freak out. They didn't understand that they were gliders and needed to get to the top of wall so that they could take off. We would go in and rescue them, and release them. Mexican free-tailed bats are so cute!

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years to convince her out of her fears, but it is what it is) and she needed help removing a bat that got into her house. They arrived to find her and her dogs inside her car, in the drive way with the windows rolled up, which cracked them up. My stepdad and mom were able to safely remove the bat and help her block their chimney entrance for future visits.

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Talk to Nebraska Wildlife Rehab. they did a virtual release this year, but usually have a big following. I was volunteering at one a couple of years ago and I make it an optional assignment for my students. One of my students came with her mother and was teasing her mom about getting floofed (smacked for lack of a better word) in the face with a bat. She was quite surprised when a bat did smack into her own face. It wasn't a light flutter. I tease her as often as possible and would have told my students that story had we been in school.

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I was working doing housekeeping for a small Church that I was a member of in New Braunfels TX. in the mid 80s. I walked into the Sanctuary and found a small bat sleeping on one of the pews. So I picked him up and put him in a shall towel and took him home because it was very cool outside. After a couple of days it warmed up and that evening I released him. I was so happy to have done that.

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I live in Massachusetts. One night we went upstairs to go to bed. Turned the light on only to find a bat in the room. Closed the door used a pillowcase to gently catch it and release it outside. It felt great

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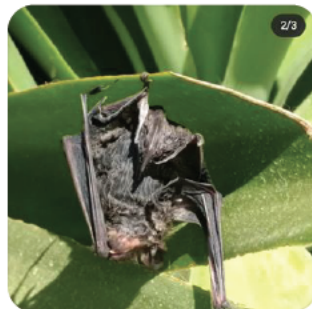
I rescued a drowning bat from a swimming pool in Naxos last year...they flew off after drying off on a branch for a while but looked ready to give up when I found them!

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thank you for sharing the pics of this sweetie!

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When my kids were a little younger we had all the cousins over for a big sleep over. And during the night I started hearing the kids screaming. I ran out to see several children cowering behind the couch and the cat hopping around the living room with wild eyes. They all screamed that there was a bat! So I grabbed a towel, and headed in the direction of the shrieks. The bat landed on the curtain. I gently laid the towel over it and picked it off the curtain and took it outside and carefully opened the towel. It flew away into the night, presumably unharmed as I did take my best care not to hurt it.

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and became an instant hero to all the kids as well as the bat, I would imagine. [Like](#) · [Reply](#) · [Message](#) · 1d

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Reply as Bat World Sanctuary

About 30 years ago I was raking leaves and realized I had raked up a bat in the leaf pile. Not knowing what to do I called our city information number and told them I had raked up a bat and what should I do with it. Complete silence. Then I was told to just leave it alone. I decided to put it in a box with water and Fruit. I put small holes in it plus a bigger hole so that it could get out but small enough so that no cats or other animals could get in then I placed it under a shady tree. About every hour I checked on it. On the last check, right at sundown the box was empty. I've always hoped it recovered enough to fly away

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My brother "rescued" a colony out of his attic. Put up bat houses before they closed them out. They co-exist now. Sure helps the mosquito situation

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Little brown bats reside behind the top stall door of the dutch doors in the barn in the summer. I can tell when a baby is lost as the bats "chitter" a lot more. Means I have to walk around the barn and field to find a lost baby. If I find one, I put it on a stick and put it under the door and it crawls up and back to the group.

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I was laying in my bed and looked up and the cutest bat was perched on a picture on the wall. I had heard the best way to get a bat out of your house was to catch him in a sheet. So that's what we did. And took him outside and let him go.

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At work, we found a little guy that hitchhiked in a shipment of windows during winter. Just a little brown bat. I put him in a cup and put a little vent on top so he could hang. I kept him in the break room until I got home, where I made a cage for him and put a small dish of water for him. I didn't have any food for him, so the next day I took him to the Ottawa Humane Society. Not sure what happened to him after I dropped him off. I hope they were able to let him free somewhere.

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 Top fan

Nothing recent, we used to get bats in the house all the time. My grandmother was terrified of them. I would sit in the dark with a tennis racket and they'd land on it and hold on. I would then slowly walk to the door open it and set the racket down and by morning they'd have flown off.

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 Top fan

My neighbor had one in her home and was freaking out, called animal control an exterminator and the NYPD. No one came, she was afraid of it and was chasing it around with a broom trying to get it out. I felt bad for the bat, it finally landed in her sl... [See more](#)

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Little Mexican tree toad that was found grounded. Drank some water, got warmed up and flew off into the sunset.




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When i was in the Army I had and Indiana Brown get stuck in the grill of my humvee, with careful handling i was able to get it out and after a few minutes it flew away on it own.

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 awwww!!! Love it Andy!!!! [Like](#) · [Reply](#) · [Message](#) · 1d



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I saw a brown bat on a car tire in the parking garage at work in downtown Dayton. I knew he wouldn't be gone by the time the person would leave so I got my thick gloves and off I went to get this little guy. Boy did he not appreciate me at all. Screeching at the top of his little lungs. I walked him out of the garage, across the street, and placed him on a tree limb.

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My garage has a separate basement. One day in March we had unseasonably warm temps. I went to that basement for something and there was a bat on the floor walking around. He flew out the door. I believe he had hibernate there over the winter. The temperature was supposed to plunge below freezing that night so I left the door open a crack so he could return if he wanted

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Years ago, my cat caught a little brown bat mid-air. My husband had just gotten home from work, so he picked it up with his leather gloves while I put a thick blanket on the warm hood of his truck. We left him there wrapped loosely wrapped in a towel--... [See more](#)

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In the middle of night I awoke to my two huge dogs going bonkers and realized a bat was flying about trying to find a way out. Earlier in the evening I had had the sliding glass door open to my deck overlooking the sea and rock seawalls where bats sometimes roost and one must have swooped in and found a place to rest here a bit unnoticed. I also freaked out. Grabbed a yellow fisherman's rain hat, turned off the light, opened the doors again, hid under my desk like a scared rabbit until the dear soul swooped out into the night again, luckily unscathed by the entire ordeal. Took me and the boys a while to calm down, but all's well that ends well, right?

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I once found a bat in our warehouse. It was "trapped" in a wood pallet. Everyone at work was willing to kill it and just toss it. I was having no such thing happen. I insisted that someone find a way to safely remove him from the pallet and release it ... [See more](#)

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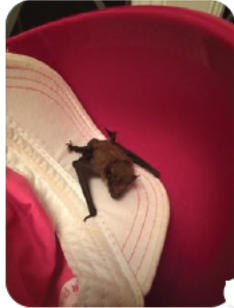
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home. Every night at dusk we would wait and they would begin to fly around in the house. My young daughter and I caught and released them one by one over the course of a week. I'd say between 15-20 of them. When they were finally gone, my daughter was upset that we couldn't catch and release them anymore! Also, I called several companies that claim to remove them humanely - they all used scare tactics and charged a boatload of money. I'm so glad I took the advice of a local Naturalist at our park system and let them leave on their own. Saved me a ton of money and was an amazing experience!

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 Here's one of hem



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This isn't a release story, but I had an interesting bat experience last fall. Every morning before sunrise, when I was doing yoga on the back deck while the dogs trotted through our woods, 3 bats would cruise past me about 4 feet off the deck and close enough I could have pet them. They would fly past me into the carport, take a couple of laps and then fly out the entrance and into the woods. They did this every day for about a month. I haven't seen them since but hope they will visit again now that the weather is warming up.

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2 years ago, my husband came downstairs wrapped in a towel, asking me to please come look in the shower, he thought there was a bat! I went up, and sure enough, down in the corner of our tiny shower stall, was an itty-bitty bat. My husband was so freaked out - apparently, the bat was crawling across the bottom of the shower and touched his foot (he thought something awful had come up through the drain! Lol!!) I took a small towel, and gently wrapped the lil guy up, carefully dried him as much as I could, and after checking his wings to be sure they hadn't gotten damaged or that he hadn't been attacked by our cat, I took him outside and held him up to the trunk of our walnut tree and he crawled up into the ivy that grows on it and disappeared! Was the cutest thing ever!

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Yes one night I was sitting in the living room watching tv when I heard my cats running towards me. I looked over to see my orange tabby Tiggy running but as he was running he was looking upwards. I looked up to see a little black bat flying towards me as it landed on my curtains in the window. I was startled but I wanted the bat to be caught and safely released back outside. I grabbed a plastic bag and talking calmly to it I caught and let it go outside

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One summer night I was walking into my back yard through my garage. I had to walk down three steps then exit out the backdoor and as I was flipping on the outdoor light I felt this sensation that I was about to be hit in forehead. Right then the light came on and I was almost face with a little black bat. Just then the bat screeched on his brakes and I was gasping in shocked surprise. The bat turned right and flew off. This was one of my favorite memories

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yes!

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I had a bat in the house. I caught it in a pillowcase and released it outside. Found how it got it and use a stocking to make a one way exit so the rest could get out but not back in.

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I used to work in a Joann Fabrics store and we had bats coming in from this big vent on the ceiling. One day I'm at the register with a line of little old ladies and a bat swoops down past them. Poor ladies were terrified so I left them all at the reg... [See more](#)

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I worked in a factory a few years back and we had one come in off a truck on a stack of pallets. It was so cold outside and snowing. When it was discovered, we had asked my boss what he was going to do with him. He said "he's just going to have to go back outside." I wasn't going to allow that of course knowing the poor thing didn't stand a chance of survival if he was just placed outside. So I got something to protect my hands and removed him from the skid and placed him in a box. He sat with me on my work table for the rest of the day. I ended up taking him home where I got ahold of a great rescue out of Indiana. Because his hibernation was disrupted by all this, I was instructed to bring him completely out of hibernation. To do this I had to get a dropper and some coca cola (there are other things you can use but I had the pop on hand) i was able to hold him and "feed" him with a dropper. In only a few minutes he became super active! One of the coolest things I've ever been able to do. The rescue from indiana offered to meet me half way and I was able to give him to them the very next day! I also learned a lot about the little guy from the rescue and was told that they would be able to save him. It made my heart happy

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I'm a bird of prey Rehabilitator and now bats too I've received several over the years. Most were just torpid and needed to be warmed up. A few exhausted moms who roosted too close to humans (usually schools) Got a cutie in recently. Found all alone on the ground, covered in mites. Doing great now.



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I worked at Hooters for 5 years. We had one take shelter under the eave of the to-go roof and I stood watch to make sure no one bothered him. It was mid day before he manager let me call for help and get him safely relocated.

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I manage a high rise condo building in Chicago. I've had two eastern red bats get stranded on balconies and require rescue. The first one was picked up by a bat rescuer, fed and hydrated, then released a few days later. The second one was picked up by [Chicago Bird Collision Monitors](#) and they were wonderful. I am grateful to be in an area where I can find assistance for these cuties.

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A bat got into our office building and made it up to the 10th floor, where I worked. I heard a commotion about something going on in the hallway and eventually found out that it was a bat. I went out to the hallway, where a member of the cleaning crew had knocked the bat down and had his dustpan in the air about to smash the little guy, whose only "crime" was to be lost. I quickly intervened and stopped him from killing the bat, took some of his garbage bags and wrapped them around the little fella and, snug as a bat in a bag, he was ready to transport. I took the elevator down with bat in hand, his head poking up biting air and walked outside to let him go. He fell to the ground fully spread out and, after getting his bearings, flew off in victory!

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Unless testing has changed, that means they kill it.

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I was releasing bats from the wildlife rehab center I worked at in Duluth, MN. Two decided to get out of their kennel in my car while driving to their release location. They're all safe but it was a little overwhelming to have bats flying around in my car while driving.

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Mine were mainly in-house. I used a fishing net to capture strays that wouldn't fly out an open door. I had one who cussed me from the time I caught her to the front porch. She hung on when I turned the net inside out to free her and she continued to curse me loudly. I finally had to gently shake the net and she flew off fine but cussing loudly. She was mad. My friend who is a local rehabber said 'yeah. Most likely a girl. My men are more stoic. My women are much more mouthy and tell me off.'

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When i was 18.. 1987.. Middle of winter.. Snow on the ground. The neighborhood kids brought me a bat they found.. I went to the local library (didn't have internet then lol) i found 1 book on bats.. It said to feed them mealworms blended up with creamcheese.. Sounded weird to me but i did it.. Hid him in a box in my closet and fed him and cleaned off the little scrape he had with hydrogen peroxide.. Ended up finding a bat rehabilitation lady that i ended up bringing him too... She had to put him back into hibernation.. He was not happy with me for waking him up..today we have so many more resources .. Few years later I ended up volunteering at a wildlife bird rehabilitation center and have been there for 20yrs.. But Ive always had a love for bats!! Im still friends with the bat rehab lady . to bad she moved out of my state.

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was watching late night TV, when a dark, flapping blur came out of the dining room, passed head high in front of me, and headed upstairs. I didn't freak out so much as sit in stunned disbelief. A few moments later, it came back through and I was able to determine it was a bat. I went through the dining room to the kitchen and determined it was in the basement, the door to which we always kept open. It made 2 more trips while I was trying to figure out a solution. The next time it left the upstairs, I hurried up and closed my bedroom door and the bathroom door. Going back down to the kitchen, I opened the back door and propped open the screen. I grabbed a dish towel and waited. It's next cycle, it repeated the trip, so I hurried into the kitchen and closed the basement door. When it came back down, I stepped into the doorway between the dining room and the kitchen, and held the towel in front of me to block the way (or catch it, if need be). It turned from the basement door, flew around the kitchen for a few seconds, then found the open back door and flew into the night beyond. I checked the basement...no open windows, but the exhaust pipe from the water heater was on the floor, so I figured it had crawled down the vent pipe and dislodged it, beginning an interesting adventure for both of us. The next morning I told my housemate. She was angry that I hadn't awakened her for the excitement, since she adores bats.

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I wish I did! My son just made me two bat houses! So, hoping to have some new tenants soon!!

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Idk, but in my old apartment we used to find small bats trapped in the fireplace (fell down the chimney when fire was off) so we always tried to check before turn on fire, get em out, then my dad didn't know how to make them go out of house so he stunned them with a towel and bring them outside with a towel and make sure they could fly away safely 'x' cute mountain bats tho then my dad fixed chimney and i think now it's safer owo...

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A small one got in our house a few years back... We managed to throw a blanket over it & carried it outside to our back deck... Opened up the blanket & after a couple of minutes, it flew off...

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At my last job my boss liked to use glue traps and found a bat stuck to one. He was still alive so I got some mineral oil and got him unstuck and then gave him a couple of baths in dawn dish soap. It's hard to bathe a bat while wearing leather gloves. I called him Bellamy and kept him for a couple of days to make sure he was ok before releasing him. I would have taken him to a rehabber, but there weren't any nearby so I followed their advice.



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My sister had one in her apartment building once. Brought a shoe box over and got it in there, then took it outside and released it.

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I had one (a pipistrelle) fall down my chimney one summer night! I thought it was a bird, and put the light on. Panic! So i put the light off and let it fly around while I opened the window and put my dressing gown on. It decided to hang from the curtain pole (probably tired out) so I got a ladder (high windows) and brought him down , and he hooked onto my dressing gown at my shoulder. He seemed okay , other than a bit shaken, so I walked out into the garden and just stood watching the other bats giving a wonderful aerobatic display until he flew off and joined them!

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I just did a release of a female big brown last week... beautiful area, full moon and slight breeze in tree tops....I let her find her way out of the hut and 'off she went' ...fluttering into woods by moonlight....truly what it means to help rehab!!

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2

I was at my sister's new house and she was showing us around, when suddenly a little brown bat made its presence known. Well it landed on a wall, so my brother in-law went and got a bowl and a piece of paper and put the bowl over the bat and the paper under it to separate it from the wall and took him outside and let him go, coolest thing ever. I'm so happy that he was so cool about it. Being from Australia where I have heard that most people don't care for bats. He really earned some brownie with me by doing that for the adorable little mite!!!!!!

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Many years ago I was about to enter a college library when I saw a maintenance worker wildly swinging a pushbroom overhead. I saw that he was swinging at a bat. He struck the bat to the floor and was raising the broom over his head and I bellowed, "DON'T YOU [effing] *TOUCH* THAT BAT!!!!!!!" He stopped in mid-swing, saying, "Jeez, lady!" I asked someone to get me a box and sort of scooped it under the poor little unconscious bat. There were no bat rehabs at that time, but I happened to know a wildlife rehabber, so I called her and she told me to provide a towel for the little sweetie to cling onto and to take the bat to a safe place to fly from. I took her to my friend's barn and we watched the bat make his or her way up to the wall. We checked several times and saw the bat looking more alert. When we made a final check around sundown, the little bat was nowhere to be found and we were very happy that she or he had taken off. I'm very glad that there are now people who specifically care for lost, orphaned, and injured bats!

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