

LITTLE BROWN BATS

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LIFE EXPECTANCY AND SIZE

The average life expectancy for Little Brown Bats and bats in general is nine to fifteen years. Some bats can live up to thirty years. Little Brown bats length averages from 6 cm to 10 cm with 9 cm being the most common length. Their wing span is 22 cm to 27 cm.



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HIBERNATION AND HABITAT

During hibernation, bats seek caves, hang on trees, stay in attics or cellars, and sometimes under bridges. Bats prefer dark places by water. Hibernation temperatures of 40-48 degrees Fahrenheit are favored by the little brown bats.



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Areas They Live and Importance

Little Brown Bats live in most parts of North America and some parts of South America. Little Brown Bats fall in to the category of Myotis. There are about eighty five different myotis species world wide, fourteen in the United States and four in Ohio. Most information known about Myotis and Bats in general comes from many Little Brown Bat studies.



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MATTING

Matting for Little Brown Bats occurs during late summer and early fall. They have large summer maternity colonies with members in the hundreds and thousands. Although three hundred to eight hundred individuals is most common. Maternities begin in April after individuals awake from hibernation sites. A single young is born after fifty to sixty gestation days.



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