



Ponds & Lakes

Open ponds and lakes provide a wealth of bat food, as many insects such as midges and mosquitoes start their life in water as larvae, and wild marginal plants provide shelter for insects.



What to look out for?

You may catch glimpses of Daubenton's bats making zigzag movements low over the surface of the pond or lake, like a mini hovercraft. They specialise in hunting over water and catch insects with their big hairy feet. Their favoured foods are caddis flies, mayflies and other small flies.