

Found a baby squirrel?

Squirrel moms, like most mammals, are wonderful mothers. Unless the baby squirrel is injured, give her a chance to pick her baby up.



What to do ...

- * If the baby is injured or has been touched by a cat, call a rehabilitator ASAP.
- * If the baby is uninjured, stay back and give mom a chance to retrieve her young. Give a few hours, even if baby is crying (the cries will alert mom to where baby is).
- * Moms typically have two nests, so if one is damaged, she can move her young to the other.
- * If there are cats, dogs or too many people in the area, you can put the baby in a shoe box attached partway up the tree where the nest is.
- * If you are worried or unsure, call a licensed rehabilitator for advice.

If you must take a baby squirrel in....

- * Put the baby in a box, with an old, clean t-shirt (to avoid toenails from getting tangled in the loops on a towel.)
- * Keep them in a warm, dry place, away from pets and children.
- * To keep younger babies warm, fill a sports drink bottle with warm water and wrap in cloth and put it in the box with the baby.
- * DO NOT offer any food or water. Aspiration pneumonia is very hard to cure and improper formulas cause more problems than they solve.
- * Call a licensed rehabilitator in your area and get the baby to them as soon as possible.

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