



The Ontario Purple
Martin Association in
partnership with Nature
Canada



**PURPLE
MARTIN
PROJECT**

ONTARIO PURPLE MARTIN COLONY SURVEY

The data you contribute will help us to monitor the population status and trends of this declining species. It will allow us to identify sites for habitat improvement and help you manage your colony. Your colony will also benefit through performing regular nest checks!

Your participation is greatly appreciated. Please fill out this form as completely as possible. If you do not have information for a particular question, simply write "NA". If you manage multiple colonies at different addresses, please complete a separate form for each address.

Date : _____

ABOUT YOU

<p>Full Name : _____</p> <p>Email : _____</p> <p>Phone Number : _____</p> <p><i>How long have you been a Purple Martin landlord? :</i> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mailing Address</u></p> <p><i>Street Address:</i> _____</p> <p><i>Postal Code :</i> _____</p> <p><i>Province:</i> _____</p> <p><i>City :</i> _____</p>
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ABOUT YOUR COLONY

Address of Colony (If different from mailing address) : _____

Complete the following for each Purple Martin unit that you have on your property. Unit refers to a single house or gourd rack system.

	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3
Housing Type: <i>Is the unit a multi-compartment bird house, gourd system, or a house with hanging gourds? (please specify)</i>			
Number of Compartments: <i>number of compartments in the house (if gourds, write how many)</i>			
Material: <i>wood house, plastic house, aluminum house, plastic gourd, natural gourd, NA, or other (please specify)</i>			
Predator Guards: <i>Indicate all that apply: owl guard, predator pole guard, decoys, traps (specify kind), NA, or other (please specify)</i>			
Entrances Holes: <i>starling resistant, round, or other? (please specify)</i>			
Are you able to lower this unit to conduct nest checks? <i>(yes, no) If yes, how often?</i>			

ANNUAL REPORT

Using the same unit numbers as the previous section, please complete the following for each Purple Martin unit that you have on your property. If you do not have exact numbers or dates, feel free to provide a range (example: 5 – 7 adult breeding pairs in unit 1)

NUMBERS

**Record total numbers for each unit. You can use the 'total' column if numbers were not recorded separately for each unit.*

	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Total
Adult Breeding Pairs :				
Compartments Occupied :				
Eggs Laid :				
Eggs Hatched :				
Young Fledged :				

PREDATORS & THREATS

**For each of the following species please circle the amount of activity near or at your colony. Indicate if this species has attempted nesting in your martin house or if they have been a threat to the martins.*

Starlings

Activity: *(more, less, same as last year; NA)*
 Nesting in martin house: *(yes/no)*
 Number of martins killed by starlings:

House Sparrow

Activity: *(more, less, same as last year; NA)*
 Nesting in martin house: *(yes/no)*
 Number of martins killed by sparrows:

Hawks

Activity: *(more, less, same as last year; NA)*
 Number of martins killed by hawks:

Owls

Activity: *(more, less, same as last year; NA)*
 Number of martins killed by owls:

Falcons

Activity: *(more, less, same as last year; NA)*
 Number of martins killed by owls:

Other threats to your colony *(such as nest mites, other competitor species, cold spring weather, lack of food, or human activity) :*

DATES

**Please record the date the following occurred at your colony*

	Average Date for all Units
First Sighting of Purple Martins :	
Nest Building :	
Eggs Laid :	
Eggs Hatched :	
First Young Fledged :	
Last Young Fledged :	
Last Sighting of Purple Martins :	

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

(We value your comments and love to hear your stories!)

THANK YOU

** Please submit your completed form to the Ontario Purple Martin Association:*

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