

# Ten Things

you can do to help threatened species in your area

All sorts of activities can impact on threatened species. So give yourself plenty of time to research and plan your activity so that it won't put threatened species at risk.

## 1 Plan early

## 2 Discover

which threatened species live around you, and what they need. Use [www.threatenedspecieslink.tas.gov.au](http://www.threatenedspecieslink.tas.gov.au)

Think twice before you cut down a tree, living or dead. Consider coppicing and pollarding instead of removing trees for firewood or fencing.

## 3 Value your vegetation

## 4 Leave logs for frogs...

and lizards, beetles, velvet worms and other wildlife. Leaf litter, rocks and stones on the ground also provide essential shelter for lizards, snails and many other animals.

## 5 Reverse the loss

Seek advice on how to restore native habitat on your land.

## 6 Control your pets and stock

Cats and dogs can kill native wildlife, and spread disease. Unfenced livestock can devastate whole populations of threatened plants and animals.

## 7 Careful with chemicals

Herbicides, pesticides and plastics on land, waterways and in the sea will kill not only weeds and pests, but some threatened species too.

## 8 Get involved

Join a group such Threatened Plants Tasmania, Bushcare, Waterwatch or your local field naturalists, and help with their conservation activities. Report your threatened species sightings, e.g. to the Natural Values Atlas, Whale Hotline.

## 9 Look after your land

Incorporate threatened species' needs into your plans for fire management and other bush maintenance work, and consider joining a conservation scheme such as Land for Wildlife. If you live in an urban area, then Gardens for Wildlife might be for you.

## 10 Check. Clean. Disinfect. Dry.

Keep weeds, pests and diseases out of your local bush by keeping your clothes, shoes, vehicles and gear free from soil, seeds, and pathogens.

## Where to find out more

[www.threatenedspecieslink.tas.gov.au/ten-things](http://www.threatenedspecieslink.tas.gov.au/ten-things)