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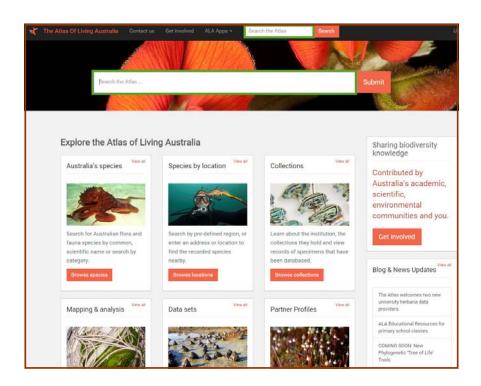
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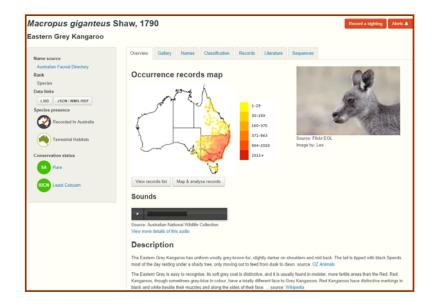
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Begin at the Atlas of Living Australia homepage.
Type the species or common name into either of the search boxes at the top of the page.



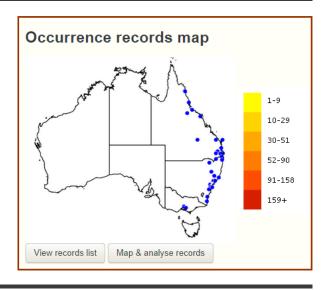
The overview page has an Occurrence records map, an image and a brief description. In some cases, there are compiled distribution maps and sound files. There are also links to other sources of information about the species. There is an orange button up the top to click on to record a sighting.



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If the dots on the occurrence records maps are blue, it means that there have been just single sightings at each point.





On the Overview page, there is a panel of information describing the conservation status of that species.

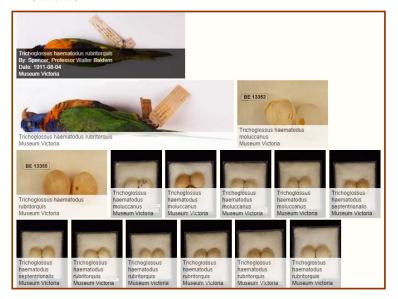
Selecting the "Classification" tab will show the levels from Kingdom to Species.

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Working classification

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phylum CHORDATA
subphylum VERTEBRATA
suppreprier GNATHOSTOMATA
class AVES
order PASSERIFORMES
subdorder PASSERIDA
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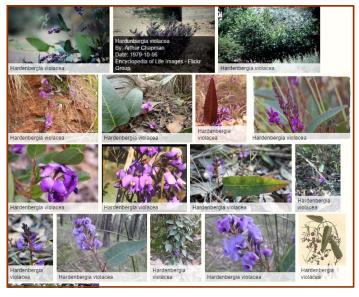


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Clicking on the "Gallery" tab opens the images of the species. The images could be museum specimens or egg shells.

The images could be photos of the species in its natural environment or images of skulls and bones.





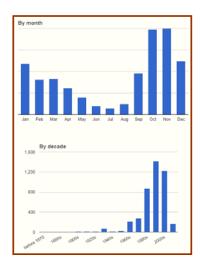
They could even be biological drawings, photos of road kill or videos.

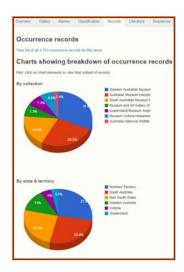
Hovering over the images will highlight its source.

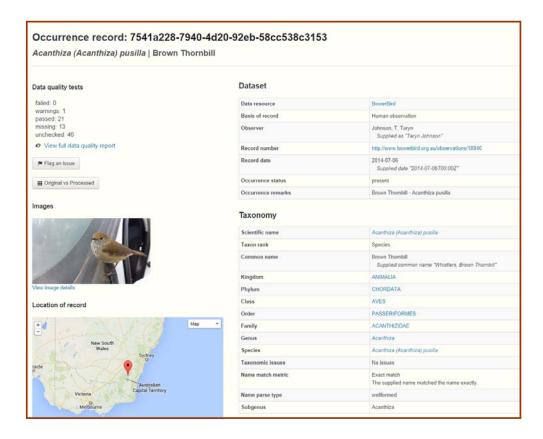
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The records tab shows all of the records for that species, organised by collection, and by state and territory. There are also graphs of collection date by month and by decade. There may also be record maps from other sources. From this page you can view all of the occurrence records.







You can open individual sightings to see the details, such as the date recorded and where the record came from. If you don't agree that it is a true sighting of that species, you can flag an issue using the button on the left.