

# Help Us Map L.A.'s Nature

## What is the L.A. Nature Map?

An interactive map—which you can contribute to—in the new Nature Lab and on our new website ([nhm.org/nature/map/](http://nhm.org/nature/map/)), that displays local plant and wildlife observations.



## Why Contribute?

Our Southern California region is a hotspot for urban biodiversity. With your help, we can show Angelenos and the world the diversity of nature all around us.

## How Can I Participate?

- 1 Go to [nhm.org/nature/map](http://nhm.org/nature/map) and click “Add Observation.”
- 2 Create an account or log in with Facebook or Twitter.
- 3 Fill in the fields, click “submit.”

## Is there an App for this?

A free *iNaturalist* app is available for iPhone and Android mobile devices.

## Can I submit an observation without a photo?

Yes! However, we encourage photos, as they make the experience more personal and increase its scientific value.

## What if I don't know the species?

You can submit a more general name, such as “bird” or “reptile.”

## What if I have questions?

Email us at [nature@nhm.org](mailto:nature@nhm.org).

Bumble Bee Robber Fly



Snowy Egret



Southern Alligator Lizard



Flannel Bush



User submitted photos.



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