



## 10 years of the Atlas of Living Australia

Celebrating 10 years of delivering trusted biodiversity data to support research and decision-making

2010



2020

Thank you to all our data partners and collaborators who make the Atlas of Living Australia possible



### Guest editorial

In this anniversary year, it's timely to reflect on the history of the ALA. Its origins owe much to the vision, commitment and partnerships that were already in place in the museums, collections and herbaria sectors and we are proud to be part of this story.

[Read more from Professor Darren Crayn and Cameron Slatyer](#)

## Celebrating 10 years of the Atlas of Living Australia



[Our 10 year timeline](#)



[10 years in stats](#)



[10 years of science impact](#)

## ALA webinar series

### First webinar a huge success

To celebrate our birthday, in the first week of November, our Science Advisor Martin Westgate hosted a discussion with three dynamic researchers on the evolution of Australia's biodiversity. Over 129 people from our ALA community dialled in to the event.



[Watch recording](#)

### Next webinar: Wed 9 Dec 2020 1pm AEDT

#### The role of big data in managing Australian biodiversity

Join Professor Melodie McGeogh, Professor Jane Elith and Tianxiao (August) Hao in discussion with ALA Science Advisor Martin Westgate.



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## Highlights

### State of the Environment reporting

The Australian Research Data Commons recently announced funding for a collaborative State of the Environment reporting project starting 2021. We look forward to working alongside the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment and fellow NCRIS facilities IMOS and TERN.



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### Federal Budget announcement

As an outcome from the recent Federal Budget, the National Collaborative Research Infrastructure Strategy (NCRIS) received \$96 million secured funds for the 2022-23 financial year for current projects.



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### New species named after Dr John La Salle

University of Adelaide Professor Andy Austin and PhD student Erinn Fagan-Jeffries recently named a member of the Australian Trachypetidae family (parasitoid wasps) *Cercobarcon lasallei* after Dr John La Salle, former Director of the Atlas of Living Australia from 2012 to 2018.



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## Technical updates

### Beta test new improvements to ALA data quality filters

It's now possible to pre-filter occurrence record search results so that lower quality records (e.g. incomplete or inconsistent records) are not shown unless you actively include them.



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### Bushfire data layer available in the ALA

The national dataset of bushfire affected areas for the 2019-20 bushfire season is accessible in the Atlas of Living Australia.

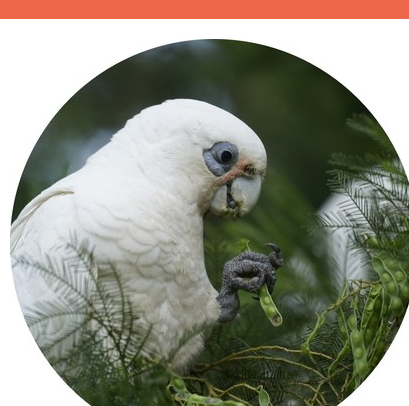


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## Recent observations

Every day new images of Australia's amazingly diverse species are added to the Atlas of Living Australia (ALA) by many different data providers.

This beautiful [Little Corella \(\*Cacatua sanguinea\*\)](#) was snapped in Sydney, NSW and uploaded to iNaturalist Australia by twan3253. Image licence: CC-BY-4.0.



## Handy links & resources



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Search species, datasets, and more.



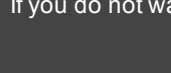
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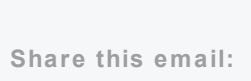
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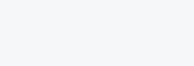
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