

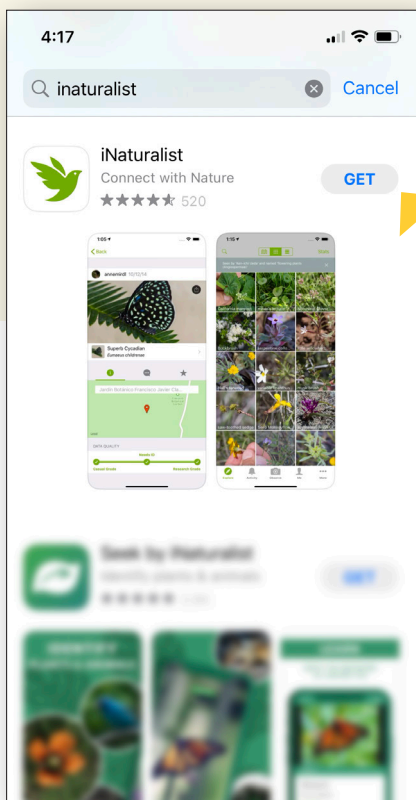
START OBSERVING IN SEVEN SIMPLE STEPS!



How to use the iNaturalist App

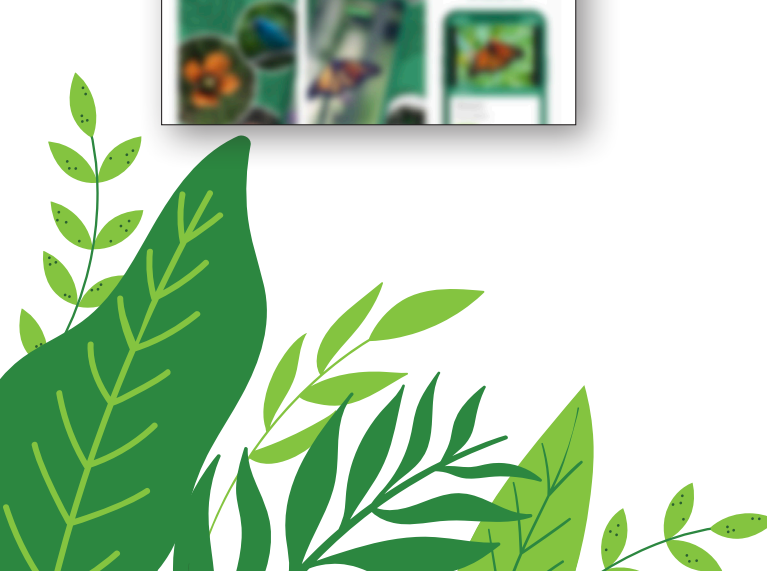
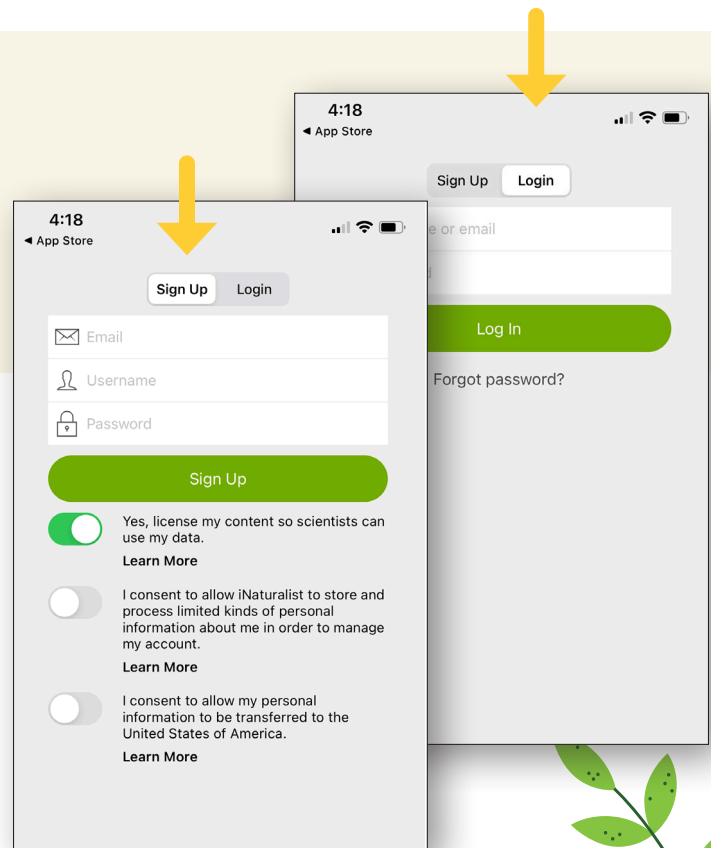
Step 1

Download the easy-to use iNaturalist app to your phone or tablet.



Step 2

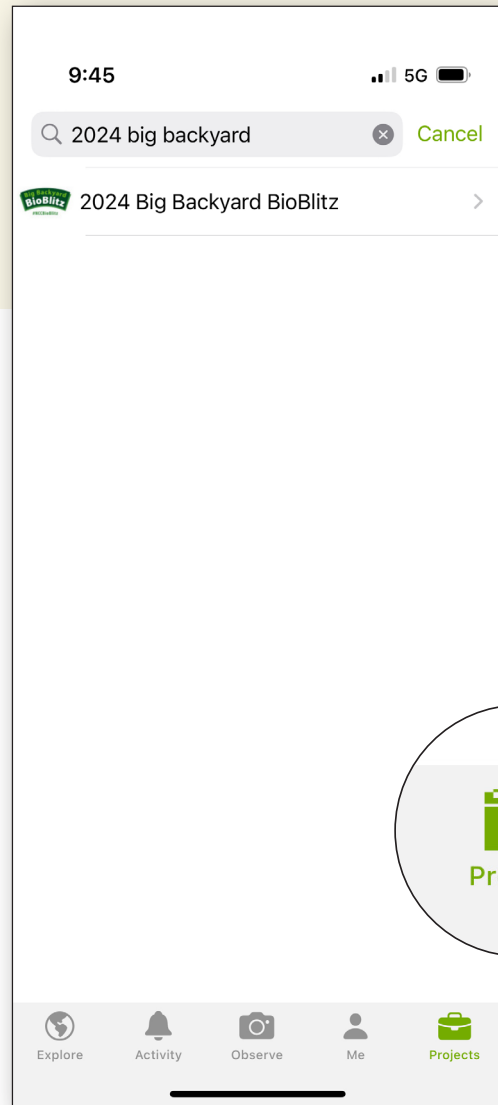
Create an account for free, or sign in if you already have one.



Step 3

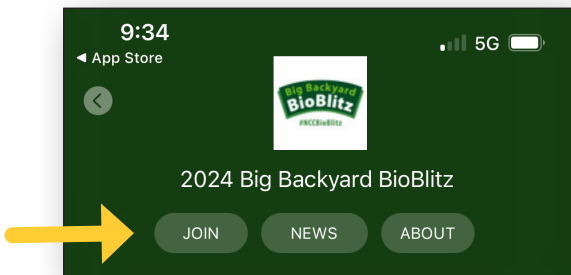
Find and select our project:
2024 Big Backyard BioBlitz

Projects are at the bottom of the screen (the briefcase icon).



Step 4

Once you've selected the project, click **JOIN** to become a member. This will ensure your images and audio clips are automatically captured as part of the collective effort for NCC's Big Backyard BioBlitz.

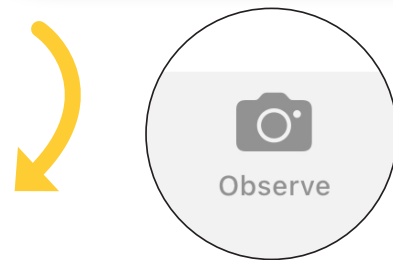
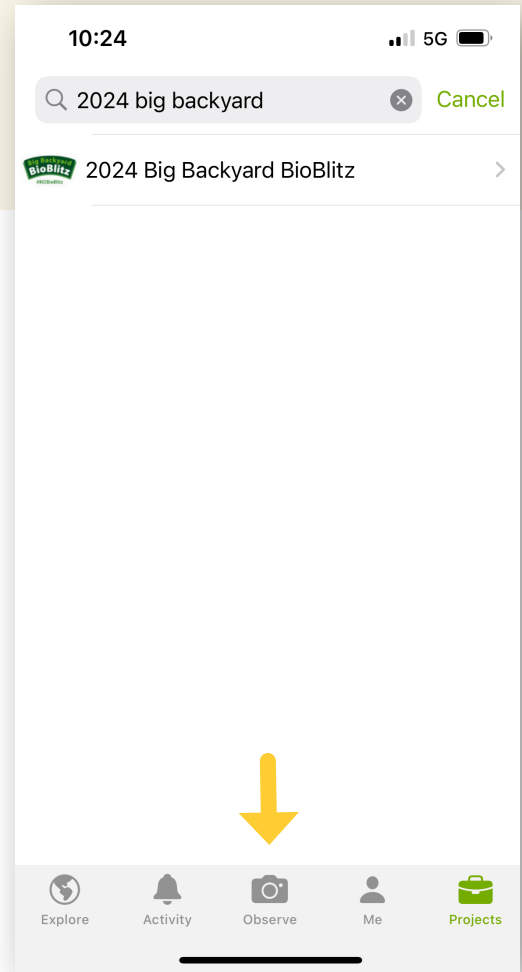
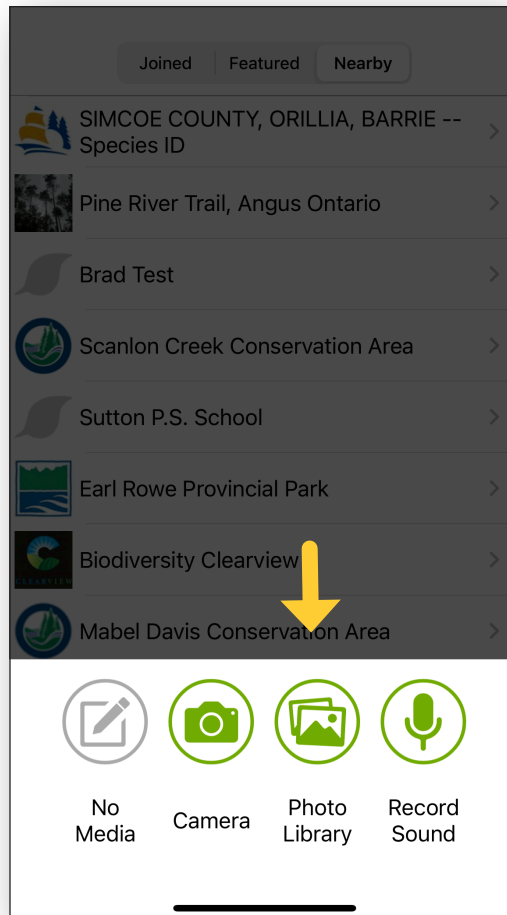


Step 5

Start documenting! Grab your smartphone, tablet or camera and head outside. Take photos or audio recordings to capture the sights and sounds of nature.

Step 6

Add your observations. Click the “**Observe**” icon to capture your observations within the app to upload your file(s).



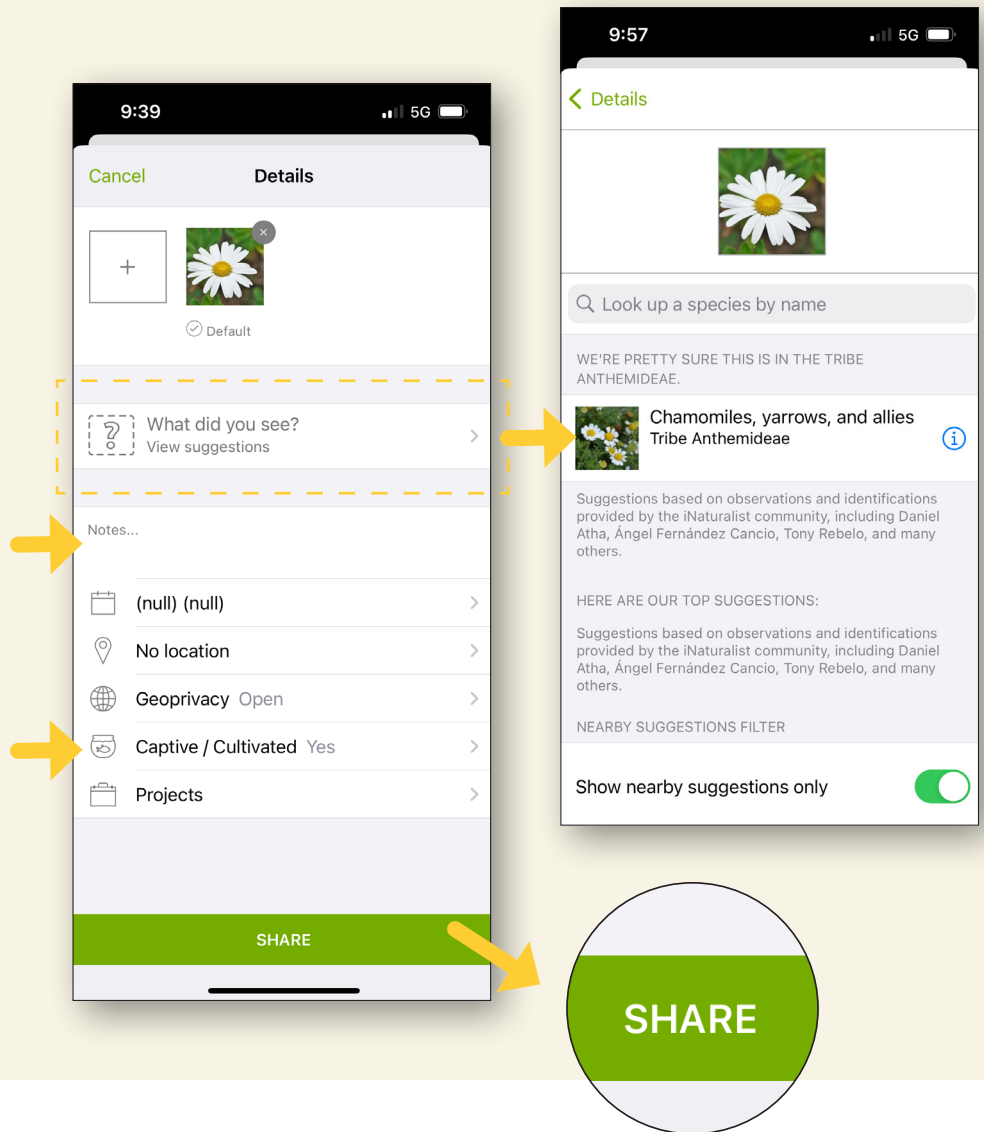
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The iNaturalist App will automatically give you **“Species Suggestions”** to fill in.

If you’re submitting an observation of something you planted in your garden, or something planted in a local green space, make sure the cultivated option is set to **“Yes”**, under Notes.

Fill out as many notes as you can. Then hit **“Share”**.

Don’t have access to the internet while you’re out in nature? Simply upload your observations on the app when you’re back online. Just set the date on the file you upload to August 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, and it will automatically be added to NCC’s Big Backyard BioBlitz project.



Step 7

Do your best to identify your species. But don’t worry about getting it wrong — iNaturalist community members are there to help!

