




BIOBLITZ



CASUARINA COASTAL RESERVE WEEKEND OF 29 MARCH 2025

Survey 5: Reptiles and Frogs - Saturday 7:30 am

What: Join local herpetologists to survey the diurnal reptiles and frogs of Casuarina Coastal Reserve. Surveys will include a morning of visual searching and hand searching. Visual searches use the naked eye or binoculars to identify active, diurnal species (e.g. dragons, skinks, monitors, snakes). Hand searches will be conducted by leaders and involve intensive searching of microhabitats (e.g. rocks, fallen timber, leaf litter, bark) for more cryptic or inactive taxa (e.g. small frogs, geckos and skinks). Participants will have the opportunity to observe reptiles and frogs captured by leaders up close before release on site.



Leader: Dr Chris Jolly is a herpetologist at Macquarie University living in Darwin with extensive field experience across the Top End. Chris recently published the Field Guide to the Reptiles of the Northern Territory.

When: Saturday 29 March 2025, 7:30 am to 11:00 am

Where: Meet at the BioBlitz Base Camp at the Darwin Surf Live Saving Club (above De La Plage) at 7:30 am for check-in and briefing. The survey will start at 8:30 am and will be conducted in different habitats (e.g. vine-forest, mangroves, savanna woodlands, coastal grasslands) along trails starting at the carpark at the end of Daribah Road.

Distance: Return walk approximately 2.6 km.

Difficulty: Moderate. Includes walking on bush trails with some short forays into adjacent vegetation.

Who can attend: All ages, children 5-15 welcome with a parent/carer

Number of participants: 10

Notes: A list of what to bring and wear will be provided on registration.

This event is organised by the
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