

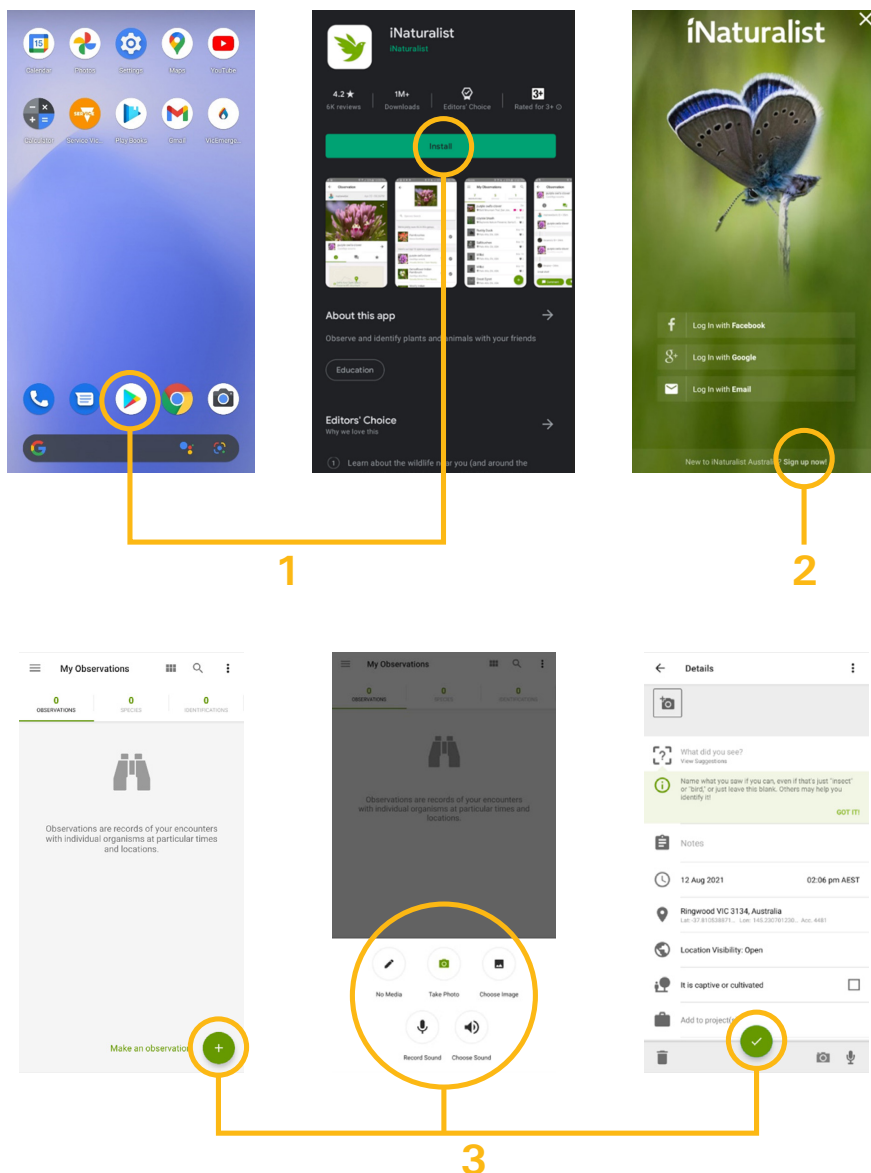
Discover and record Maroondah's biodiversity

Find, photograph and record the native flora and fauna that lives and grows in your neighbourhood!

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1. Go to Android Play Store, search for **"iNaturalist"**, click *Install* to download or scan the QR code.
2. Open the app, click on sign up and create an account.
3. Then you can begin by submitting your first observation or exploring the app.



Getting the best out of your observations

Your observation is most valuable with easily identifiable features

- Provide accurate evidence, what did you see? When did you see it? Where did you find it? Pin the location or have location settings on for accurate observations.
- Aim to get clear, well-lit photos that show as many details as possible. This helps iNaturalist observers identify your observation and create research grade data.
- Focus on one organism in any one observation at a time.
- Remember you can also **record sounds**! Perfect for frogs and birds, you may not be able to see them, calls are great for identification.
- Observations such as feathers, fur, scat, deceased organisms, bones can all be photographed.
- Aim to avoid taking photos of planted specimens and **please do not photograph** domestic and stock animals (cats, dogs, horses, cows etc.)

Examples of how to photograph features for identification

When taking a photo of a flower, take a close up of the flower itself, but also include the entire plant and the leaf structure:



When taking a photo of a bug or insert, try to take a photo from above and, if possible, from underneath:

