

# Making great iNaturalist observations

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**T**he iNaturalist app is available for both iOS and Android. You can download it from the App Store or Google Play. Once you've downloaded the app, you can create an account and start making observations. It's that simple!

**De ai, e ai, e ai!** This is the sound of a bird singing. It's a beautiful sound, and it's one that you can hear every day. But did you know that birds are also important for the environment? They help control insect populations, pollinate flowers, and disperse seeds. So, the next time you hear a bird singing, take a moment to appreciate the sound and the bird that's making it.

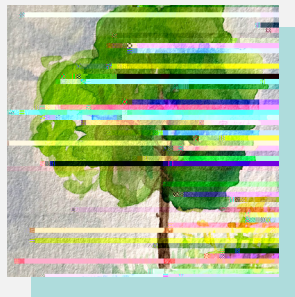
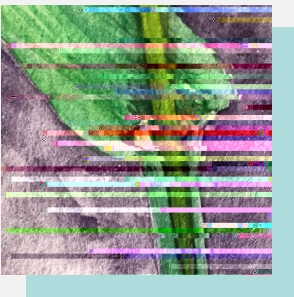
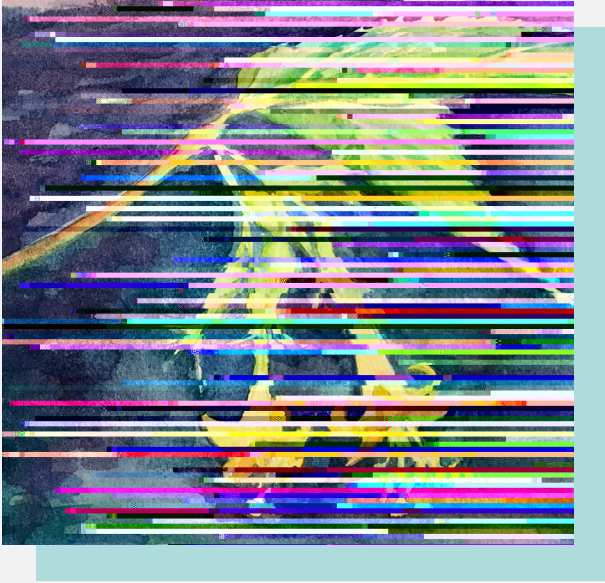
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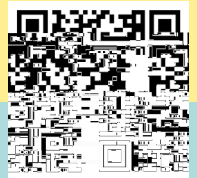
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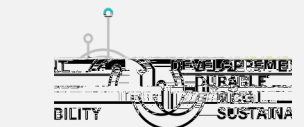
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# Conseils pour consigner de bonnes observations dans iNaturalist

Figure 1. Les observations de la faune et de la flore sont les plus nombreuses sur iNaturalist. Les observations de la faune et de la flore sont les plus nombreuses sur iNaturalist. Les observations de la faune et de la flore sont les plus nombreuses sur iNaturalist.



Observez la nature ! Pour consigner une observation sur iNaturalist, il faut être sûr de son observation. Validez votre observation en prenant une photo et en la partageant sur iNaturalist.

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