

Learn about Nature in North Queensland

Our region has plant and animal diversity unrivalled elsewhere in Australia. Nearly 2 million visitors come here each year to visit our spectacular rainforests and Reef and to learn about the splendid plants and animals that live here.



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Earthwatch Institute's Rainforest to Reef Conservation Initiative supports scientific field research in the region with volunteers and funds and undertakes a range of programmes that educate and increase the local community's awareness of conservation issues.

NSDA the Network for Sustainable and Diversified Agriculture coordinates, promotes and advocates activities and information that will assist in the implementation of the principles of sustainable and diversified agriculture towards the achievement of significant gains in the economic, environmental and social development of North Queensland.

FNQ NRM Ltd represents community-based natural resource management in the Wet Tropics region. Formed under the Natural Heritage Trust arrangements the organisation has developed and is implementing a regional plan for sustainably managing natural resources in collaboration with the community.

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This brochure gives you a quick reference list of the available web-based information on a comprehensive range of topics related to the natural features of our region.

Topic	Subtopic	Resource	Web information (🌐) or web based fact sheet (📄)	Topic	Subtopic	Resource	Web information (🌐) or web based fact sheet (📄)															
Acid sulphate soils	General	www.nrm.qld.gov.au/factsheets/pdf/land/l60.pdf	📄																			
	Agroforestry	General	www.nsa.org.au					🌐														
Biodiversity	General	www.epa.qld.gov.au/nature_conservation/biodiversity/	🌐																			
	Birds	Bird spotting sheet	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/visit%20the%20rainforest/birds.pdf					📄														
	Birdsong	www.rainforestcsrc.jcu.edu.au/publications/infosheets/birdsSing.pdf	📄																			
	Brush turkeys	www.epa.qld.gov.au/nature_conservation/wildlife/native_animals/living_with_wildlife/brushturkey/	🌐																			
	Cassowaries general	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_casso.html	🌐																			
	Cassowaries general	www.epa.qld.gov.au/nature_conservation/wildlife/native_animals/living_with_wildlife/southern_cassowary/	🌐																			
	Cassowary activity book	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/cass_act.pdf	📄																			
	Cassowary inform'n book Yrs 5-7	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/cassbook.pdf	📄																			
	Creating a butterfly farm	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/butterflies/butterfly.pdf	📄																			
	Curlews	www.aims.gov.au/pages/fauna/curlews/cotc.html	🌐																			
	General	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_birds_info.html	🌐																			
	Species	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_bird_profile.html	🌐																			
	Wet sclerophyll birds	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/wet_sclerophyll.pdf	📄																			
	Woodland birds	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/tropical_topics/savanna_birds.pdf	📄																			
	Coral reef	Coral bleaching	www.aims.gov.au/pages/research/coral-bleaching/coral-bleaching.html					🌐														
		Coral bleaching and climate change	www.reef.crc.org.au/publications/brochures/Bleachingfront.htm					📄														
		Coral reef fact sheet	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/tropical_topics/reef.pdf					📄														
		Formation of the GBR	www.aims.gov.au/pages/research/project-net/reefs/apnet-reefs00.html					🌐														
		General inform'n (size, climate, islands)	www.reefed.edu.au/explorer/landscapes/index.html					🌐														
		History of the GBR	www.aims.gov.au/pages/search/search-history.html					🌐														
		Marine debris	www.reefed.edu.au/explorer/marine_debris/					🌐														
		Soft coral species	www.aims.gov.au/pages/research/soft-corals/soft-corals00.html					🌐														
Water quality		www.reefed.edu.au/explorer/water_quality/	🌐																			
Eco tourism		Educating visitors	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/educating_visitors.pdf	📄																		
		General fact sheet	www.gbmpa.gov.au/corp_site/info_services/publications/newsletters/reef_facts/reeffacts01.pdf	📄																		
		Interpretive signs	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/signs_everywhere.pdf	📄																		
		Marine tourism	www.reef.crc.org.au/publications/brochures/marine%20tourism_web.pdf	📄																		
Dry sclerophyll eucalypt forest		Walking tracks and dust	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/dust_walkingtracks.pdf	📄																		
		Wet sclerophyll eucalypt forest	General	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/tropical_topics/savanna_woodlands.pdf									📄									
		Fire	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/fire_histories.pdf	📄																		
		General	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/tropical_topics/wet_sclerophyll_forests.pdf	📄																		
Feral animals		Managing for birds	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/wet_sclerophyll.pdf	📄																		
		Cane toads	www.fdrproject.org.au/pages/toads.htm	🌐																		
		Cats	www.nrm.qld.gov.au/factsheets/pdf/pest/pa26.pdf	📄																		
		Declared animals of Queensland	www.nrm.qld.gov.au/factsheets/groups.php?group=Pest	📄																		
		Pig impacts and control	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/issues.htm	📄																		
	Pig information	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/paradox_pig.pdf	📄																			
	Species	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/bad_worse_ugly.pdf	📄																			
	Fish (freshwater)	Eels	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_eel.html	🌐																		
		Fish diversity	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/fishes_forest.pdf	📄																		
		Lake Eacham Rainbow Fish	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_rainbow_fish.htm	🌐																		
		Native fish stocking and control	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/issues.htm	🌐																		
		New species	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/new_andknown.pdf	📄																		
		Some special species	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_fish_info.html	🌐																		
		Threats	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_fish_threat.html	🌐																		
		Frogs	Disease	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/frog_disease.pdf									📄									
			Disease/Chytrid fungus	www.fdrproject.org.au/pages/disease.htm									🌐									
			Frog ponds	www.fdrproject.org.au/pages/ponds.htm									🌐									
			General	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_frogs_info.html									🌐									
			Species	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_frog_profile.html									🌐									
			Species	www.jcu.edu.au/school/tbiol/zoology/herp/NthQldHerps/NthQLDHerpsfrogs.shtml									🌐									
			Spotting record sheet	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/visit%20the%20rainforest/animals.pdf									📄									
			Fungi	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/tropical_topics/fungi.pdf									📄									
			General	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_fungi_info.html	🌐																	
			Glow in the dark	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_glowing.html	🌐																	
			Identification	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_id_fungi.html#	🌐																	
			Microfungi	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/hidden_gardens.pdf	📄																	
			Types	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_not_fungi.html	🌐																	
			Global warming	In the wet tropics	www.rainforestcsrc.jcu.edu.au/publications/issueSeries/issuesSeries.htm													📄				
				Effect on marsupials	www.rainforestcsrc.jcu.edu.au/publications/infosheets/marsupialsMist.pdf													📄				
				Coral bleaching	www.reef.crc.org.au/publications/brochures/Bleachingfront.htm													📄				
				Creating a butterfly farm	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/butterflies/butterfly.pdf													📄				
			Dung beetles	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/inordinate_fondness.pdf	📄																	
			General	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_insects_info.html	🌐																	
			In the Wet Tropics	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/issues.htm	🌐																	
			Insect spotting record sheet	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/marsupials_mist.pdf	📄																	
			Rhino Beetle record sheet	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/rhino%20beetles/rhino%20activity%20sheet.pdf	📄																	
			Stream Insects	www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/flying_shrimps.pdf	📄																	
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			General	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_mam_info.html	🌐																	
Ground species			www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_ground_species.html	🌐																		
Mahogany gliders			www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/mahogany_glider.pdf	📄																		
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		Marine species		Animal species information	www.reefed.edu.au/explorer/a_f.html									🌐								
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				Clown fish	www.aims.gov.au/pages/research/project-net/marine-creatures/clownfish.html									🌐								
				Coral Trout	www.reef.crc.org.au/publications/brochures/documents/CoralTroutFlyer_000.pdf									📄								
Crown of thorns				www.reef.crc.org.au/publications/brochures/COTS_web_Nov2003.pdf	📄																	
Dugongs				www.reef.crc.org.au/publications/brochures/dugong_2002.pdf	📄																	
Dwarf Minke Whales				www.reef.crc.org.au/publications/brochures/minke_2002_www.pdf	📄																	
Green turtles				www.aims.gov.au/pages/research/project-net/marine-creatures/sea-turtles-01.html	🌐																	
Plant species information				www.reefed.edu.au/explorer/plants/index.html	🌐																	
Sea grass				www.reef.crc.org.au/publications/brochures/CRC_Reef_seagrass_web.pdf	📄																	
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	Disease (Pytophthora)			www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/rainforest_disease.pdf	📄																	
	Education		www.gsiaustralia.com/academicprogram.html	🌐																		
	Education activities		www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/rainforest_explorer/index.htm	🌐																		
	General information newsletters		www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/newsletters.htm	📄																		
	Managing the rainforest		www.jcu.edu.au/rainforest/infosheets/creating_tools.pdf	📄																		
	Rainforest observation diary	www.wetttropics.gov.au/st/st_pdf/visit%20the%20rainforest/wildlife%20viewing%20diary.PDF	📄																			
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		Flowering plants	www.wetttropics.gov.au/pa/pa_flowering_plants.html	🌐																		
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