

# Wet Tropics Animal and Plant Diversity

Plants	% of Australian total
fern species	65
cycad species	21
conifer species	37
orchid species	30
vascular plant species	26

Animals	% of Australian total
mammal species including:	34
• marsupials	30
• bats	58
• rodents	25
bird species	40
frog species	28
reptile species	20
freshwater fish species	42
butterfly species	58
dung beetle species	42
barkbug species	46
weta species	50

**Source:** Update of Original Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Nomination  
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