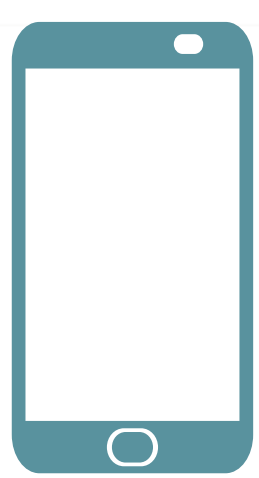


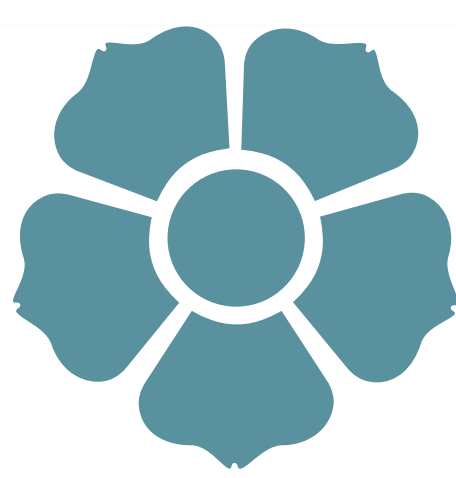
City Nature Challenge 2020

BY THE NUMBERS...

244 Cities Took Part



815,258
Observations
Made



32,600+
Species
Documented



41,165
People
Participated

Including 1300+ Rare/Endangered Species

INTERESTING FINDS

Stripe-breasted Starthroat (*Helimaster squamosus*): spotted by Gustavo Puente, this backyard visitor was the first observation of this species in Argentina on iNaturalist.



Western Bobcat (*Lynx rufus ssp. fasciatus*): a family in Calgary, Alberta, CA got a close-up lesson on the food chain & bobcat behavior when this individual caught & ate a jackrabbit in their neighbor's backyard! Photo by iNaturalist user @joolzincalgary.

Variable Peacock Spider (*Maratus chrysomelas*): only 3mm long & endemic to Australia, found by Geoffrey Cox in Adelaide.



Epidendrum radioferens orchid: seen by Danny Javier Cruz López, the first record of it on iNaturalist & GBIF from Honduras.

Marten's Sidegill Slug (*Berthella martens*): found by iNaturalist user @jeffrey0306, this is the second observation from Taiwan of this stunning sea slug.



White-spotted Slimy Salamander (*Plethodon cylindraceus*): endemic to the eastern USA, this was the first record from Arlington County, Virginia (Washington, D.C. area) since 1977. Found in a park by high school student Luca Catanzaro.

Craven Featherwort (*Pedinophyllum interruptum*): this is the first observation on all of iNaturalist of this vulnerable species, spotted in Austria by Christian Berg.



Plains Zebra (*Equus quagga*): seen by iNaturalist user @louisvw near Cape Town, South Africa, this species is considered near-threatened due to habitat loss.

CITY NATURE CHALLENGE THROUGH THE YEARS

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Cities	2	16	68	159	246
Countries	1	1	17	28	40
Observations	19,800	125,000	441,000	963,000	815,000
Species	2,500	8,600	8,000	31,000	32,600
Observers	1,000	4,000	17,000	32,000	41,000

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