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What you saw
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Where you saw it
Record coordinates and their accuracy (you can hide this from the public)



When you saw it
Record the date you encountered the organism



Evidence of what you saw
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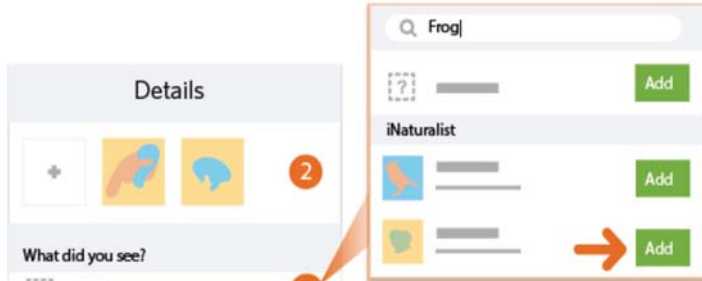
iPhone App



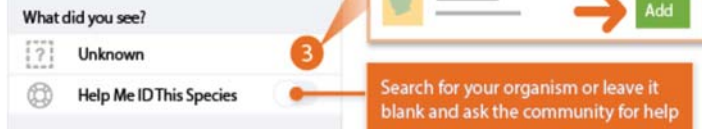
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2 Add 1 or more photos or sounds as evidence



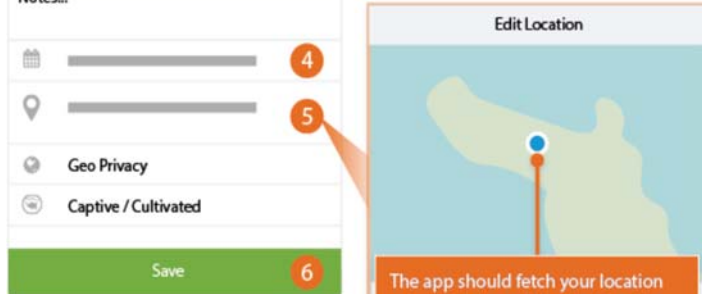
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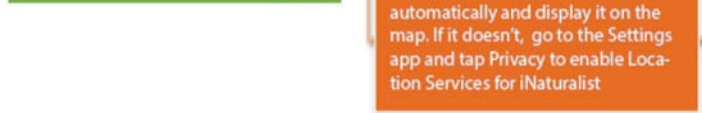
4 When you saw it should be automatically added



5 Where you saw it should be automatically added (if not check Privacy in app Settings)



6 Save observation



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If your phone's space fills up, log out and log back in and your cache is cleared.



Android App



1 Tap observe button on My Observations tab



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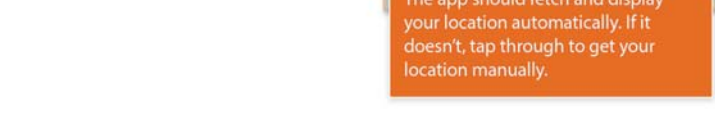


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