

Garden for Wildlife Biodiversity...in the backyard

Private land is put to good use through the Garden for Wildlife (GfW) program, which has been operating in Alice Springs since 2007. The voluntary scheme encourages urban residents to take part in conserving nature.

Out of 7000 privately owned town blocks in Alice Springs, 135 are GfW members who establish and improve the native wildlife habitat in their own backyards. This increases the total area of local vegetation, links habitats together and creates corridors for wildlife.

The GfW program delivers workshops and resources, gives access to local conservation networks, publishes a newsletter and involves the community in natural resource management. The program also coordinates a feral Spotted Turtle-dove eradication program, assisting private landholders to control the invasive species and encourage the return of native birds.



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