

Be a part of a friendly, global competition to see which city can most wildlife document the species. All local observations 25-28, 2025 will made April automatically help San Antonio Metro Area succeed in winning the City Nature Challenge!!!











TAKING PART IS EASY

Find data collection events (bioblitzes) and make observations, or join an iNaturalist project for vour area and contribute observations on your own. You don't have to attend an event to participate: observations can be made from your own backyard, a local park or any other outdoor location.

IT'S FREE TO JOIN IN THE FUN. JUST CREATE AN ACCOUNT AT INATURALIST.ORG THEN DOWNLOAD THE FREE APP FOR YOUR DEVICE.





GO OUTSIDE

Explore your own backyard, neighborhood, parks, or any natural area between April 25-28, 2025.

FIND WILDLIFE

It can be any WILD plant, animal, or any evidence of life found in your city.

TAKE A PICTURE

Take a picture of what you find. Be sure to note the location of the critter or plant.

SHARE

Share your observations through iNaturalist.

RFPFAT

The more observations you make, the more data you contribute to San Antonio's totals







WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!

2024 results

64,728 Observations

- 1st in the US
- 11 SA Metro Area individuals shared >1,000 observations
- 3rd in the entire world !

• 3,993 species

- 5th in the world
- 12 individuals shared >400 observations

• 1,320 Observers

• 11th in the world

Bursting with pride with our stunning victories in 2024, we are not content to rest on our laurels. Recruit friends, families and others to help us reach our 2025 goal of 2,025 observers and increase our ranks across the board. What personal goals will you set - and reach - this year?

The 12-County San Antonio Metro Area: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Gillespie, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Guadalupe, Goliad, Medina and Wilson counties



HELP US DEFEND OUR NATIONAL TITLE COMPETE AS -

Individual

Your participation helps showcase local biodiversity and contribute valuable information to science – all while enjoying nature! To see what other people are finding or help with identifying other people's observations, join the project at iNaturalist.org.

Team

Be the team with the most observations and/or species; Form a Nature Team and GO WILD.

Campus

Calling all students, staff, alumni, family, and friends to join your favorite school for some friendly competition in finding nature.

Community

Gather your community group, corporate team, or civic group to host an event, or attend one of our iNat training or event bioblitzes to contribute valuable data. Showcase that YOU have the wildest group in and around San Antonio.

TELL ME MORE

CITY NATURE CHALLENGE

Started in 2016, the CNC has grown into an international event. In 2024, 83,000 participants across 690 cities in 51 countries documented more than 2.4 million wildlife observations. Participants document their sightings by uploading photos or sounds, and making notes about discovered species. The observation period is followed by several days of identification and then the winners announced on May 5th.

INATURALIST

The iNaturalist app enables users to observe, record, and share observations of plant, animals, fungi and other organisms in the natural world. Species identification is provided through AI and verified by iNat's online community of users including professional scientists and expert naturalists. Citizen scientists such as yourself have created the most world's comprehensive database of biodiversity.

Visit **www.busy-birding.com/citizenscience** for free talks, guided walks, trainings and CNC bioblitzes in Bandera and Kerr counties.



