

# SAVE A LIFE TODAY

In the last 12 months WIRES received more than 83,000 requests for rescue advice and assistance. Your gift today will help save native animals tomorrow.

I would like to donate:

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Please make this a monthly donation.

*All gifts to WIRES \$2 and over are tax-deductible*

Charge my credit card  Visa  Mastercard

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*WIRES, PO Box 7276 Warringah Mall NSW 2100.*

**Donate by phone on (02) 8977 3396**

**Donate securely online at [wires.org.au](http://wires.org.au)**

Name

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State  Postcode

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Email

- I would like more information about WIRES.
- I am interested in volunteering as a WIRES rescuer.
- Please send me information about WIRES including leaving a Bequest to WIRES in my Will.

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# JOIN OUR COMMUNITY



**Rescuing and caring  
for Australian wildlife  
for over 30 years**

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# WILDLIFE RESCUE

WIRES (NSW Wildlife Information, Rescue and Education Service Inc.) has been helping wildlife for more than 30 years.

All native animals are protected by law. It is illegal to take healthy native animals from the wild and it is mandatory to have a licence to care for sick, injured and orphaned native animals.

WIRES is licenced by National Parks and Wildlife and engages thousands of volunteers in wildlife rescue and care across 27 regional branches in NSW.

Individuals wanting to volunteer with WIRES start by completing our Rescue & Immediate Care Course. You can find more information about volunteering at [wires.org.au](http://wires.org.au).

WIRES has a dedicated Rescue Office, operating 365 days a year, providing rescue advice and assistance for hundreds of individual native animals every day.

In the peak seasons of spring and summer, WIRES can receive up to 1,000 calls a day to assist the public with native animals in distress.

WIRES relies on the ongoing, generous support from the community to continue its life-saving work, helping tens of thousands of animals every year.

We encourage you to connect with WIRES and show your support for native animals. If you cannot volunteer there are many other ways you can get involved.

You can start by finding out more about the animals that may live in your local area, get out into nature and create a wildlife friendly garden.

By looking out for wildlife on our roads and encouraging others to do the same, you can help spread the message that native animals are precious and need our help in order to survive.

You can register for WIRES e-news to receive regular updates on our work. You can also connect with WIRES on Facebook and start sharing information about wildlife with your friends and family.

To make a significant difference to wildlife, you can also donate to help native animals at [wires.org.au](http://wires.org.au).



# WAYS TO HELP WILDLIFE

- Keep domestic animals indoors as much as possible or safely contained, particularly at night
- Plant native trees to provide food and shelter
- Put rubbish in a secure bin and don't litter
- If you hit an animal on the road and it is safe to do so, stop and check to see if it needs help. If the animal is deceased and has a pouch, check to see if it has a baby that's still alive. If it does call WIRES for help
- Let native animals eat their native diet as feeding them unnatural foods can do them enormous harm
- In very hot weather put out fresh water bowls for wildlife

# EMERGENCY ADVICE

If you find a sick, injured or orphaned animal, please contact WIRES and follow these steps:

1. Please remove any threat to the animal – keep all people and pets away
2. DO NOT approach snakes, monitors, flying-foxes, microbats, large macropods (e.g. kangaroos) or raptors (e.g. eagles). These animals require specialist handling and MUST be rescued by trained rescuers
3. If you are able to safely contain the animal, minimise stress by putting a towel or blanket over it and gently place the animal in a ventilated box with a lid
4. Transport the animal to your nearest vet or place the box in a warm, dark, quiet place to wait for the rescuer
5. Do not give the animal any food or water, unless instructed to by a vet or WIRES
6. It is critical to get veterinary treatment for sick or injured wildlife as soon as possible. Most vets will treat wildlife free of charge
7. If you take an animal to a vet, let WIRES know, so they can follow up and bring animals into care as needed
8. To report a rescue contact WIRES  
[www.wires.org.au/rescue/report-a-rescue](http://www.wires.org.au/rescue/report-a-rescue)  
or 1300 094 737

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