

Frogs you might find in your backyard

There are more than 220 species of frogs in Australia! Here are a few common frog species to keep a look out for in your backyard frog haven. Seen a frog you don't recognise? Try frogid.net.au.



Australian Red-eyed Tree Frog
Not to be confused with its northern counterpart, these frogs grow between 3.8–7 cm and can be found along the east coast, mid-way through Queensland and down to Sydney in New South Wales.



White-lipped Tree Frog
This species is on the larger end of the spectrum, growing up to 14 cm long! They can be found in the north-eastern regions of Queensland backyards.



Eastern Dwarf Tree Frog
This species is one of the smallest tree frogs, reaching only 3.2 cm. They are frequent visitors to suburban gardens, particularly from the Daintree region of North Queensland all the way down to the southern end of New South Wales.



Black-soled Frog
These frogs are more likely to be mistaken for toads than the other species, with rough, brown skin, but don't worry! The Black-soled Frog is exactly that — a frog. Found along the coast of South East Queensland and New South Wales.



Australian Wood Frog
Thriving in the rainforest, this species of frog can be found in North Queensland and a small area of the northern end of the Northern Territory. They're fast breeders and vary in shades of brown to blend in with the forest floor.



Peron's Tree Frog
Found in northern Victoria, New South Wales and southern Queensland, these little guys have the ability to change colour to camouflage during different daylight hours!

How to build a frog haven in your garden

If you are a fan of frogs in your garden and enjoy the distant croaks and calls to warn when rain is on why not make your own frog pond!

Lets go shopping for some plant species that are perfect for frog and tadpole habitat.

Shopping List

Plant Species for a Frog Pond

There are a number of native plant species which are perfect for frogs and tadpoles in your backyard pond:

For the Shallow End

- Sedges
- Jointed and Common Rush
- Nardoo
- Native Water Lily

For the Middle or Deep End

- Water Ribbons
- Marsh Flower
- Purple Loosestrife

For the Pond Edge

- Lilly Pilly
- Mat Rush
- Wallaby Grass
- Grevilleas
- Bottlebrush

*Avoid weedy plants like Duckweed or Azolla which form a mat on the top of the water.