



Wetland Communities

MORE INFORMATION

Possible Sites to Visit

Wetlands include creeks, swamps, marshes, salt marshes and intertidal zones of our coastlines. Areas where there is permanent or temporary shallow open water can be considered as wetlands.

Tasmania has 10 Ramsar sites, (some of these are more accessible than others) a visit to any of these sites would be beneficial to student understanding and learning outcomes.

North

Logan Lagoon

Lavinia

East Coast - Cape Barren Island Lagoons

Little Waterhouse Lake

Interlaken

South

Pittwater - Orielton Lagoon

East

Moulting Lagoon

Apsley Marshes

Flood Plain Lower Ringarooma River

Jocks Lagoon

Many other wetlands are suitable for excursions.

Some Resources

Guest Speakers:

Parks and Wildlife Service Staff

Often the best contacts are those in your local area, so start by contacting your local Parks and Wildlife Service Office. As they are the hands-on management agency, they are often aware of local issues or local features. On the Parks website there is a list of contacts for a variety of Parks Offices:

www.parks.tas.gov.au/natparks/index.html

Department of Primary Industries and Water

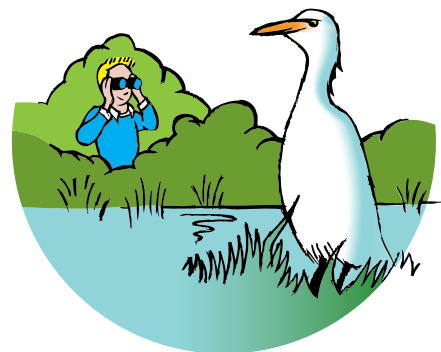
There are many experts within this department who might be able to speak to your group.

Contact them through: www.dpiwe.tas.gov.au

Tasmanian Aboriginal Speakers Program

This program provides Indigenous Cultural Heritage speakers for presentations.

Contact: Vicky Nichols, Indigenous Numeracy and Literacy Coordinator, contact through: www.education.tas.gov.au/school/educators/support/aboriginal_education



Wetlands E-Set suited to upper primary students.

Student Resources:

The Wetlands Centre of Australia has some shorebird puzzles, www.wetlands.org.au/shorebirds/puzzles/index.

There is Migrating Shorebird games on the Hong Kong Wetlands site, <http://www.wetlandpark.com/en/education/games.asp>

Brainstorming and Mind mapping, www.agoodmindmapsite.com

Teacher Resources:

The Ramsar International Convention on wetlands, www.ramsar.org

The Wetlands Centre of Australia, Feathers, Flyways and Friends, www.wetlands.org.au/shorebirds

Department of Primary Industries and Water, Tasmania's wetlands, www.dpiw.tas.gov.au/inter.nsf/WebPages/RPIO-4Y58LM?open

Discovery Channel Education Website - lesson plans, www.school.discovery.com/lessonplans/

Shorebird conservation toolkit, www.shorebirds.org.au/index.html

Birds Australia Last Viewed, www.birdsaustralia.com.au/

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Wetlands E-Set - More Information

E-Sets are an Electronic Environmental and Educational set of notes for teachers

FURTHER INFORMATION

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