

SLOANE'S FROGLET

Crinia sloanei



CREDIT: Dave Hunter

Appearance

The Sloane's froglet is 15-20mm long, about the size of your little fingernail. They are brown or grey-brown in colour with olive and ochre coloured patches. This camouflage makes Sloane's froglets very good at hiding in muddy areas.

Habitat

They can be found in inland NSW and Victoria. They love still water and can be found in wetlands, and dams, and near rivers where reeds and grasses are growing.



Sloane's froglet distribution

SOURCE: Atlas of Living Australia

Threats

The main threat to Sloane's froglets are humans and our changing climate. Sloane's froglets have experienced a reduction in their habitat. This reduction has come about because of livestock (cattle), urbanisation and development.

Conservation

STATUS: Vulnerable in NSW

The Sloane's froglet is a threatened species because of changes in weather patterns. Some of these changes are causing more frequent droughts, which is resulting in less rainfall. We can help the Sloane's froglet by leaving them alone.

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RAINBOW LORIKEET

Trichoglossus moluccanus



CREDIT: Kelly Coleman

Appearance

The Rainbow lorikeet is unmistakable with its bright red beak and colourful plumage. Both sexes look alike, with a blue (mauve) head and belly, green wings, tail and back, and an orange/yellow breast. They are often seen in loud and fast-moving flocks.

Habitat

The Rainbow lorikeet is found in a wide range of treed habitats including rainforests and woodlands, as well as in well-treed urban areas



Rainbow Lorikeet distribution

SOURCE: Atlas of Living Australia

Breeding

In Australia, breeding usually occurs during spring (September to December). The Rainbow lorikeet is a true parrot.



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