



# CREATE A FROG HABITAT



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# Follow these steps to create your own frog habitat

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Download the **FrogID** app and use **Near Me** to find out which frog species are local to your area. To explore more visit [frogid.net.au](http://frogid.net.au)

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Select a site somewhere:

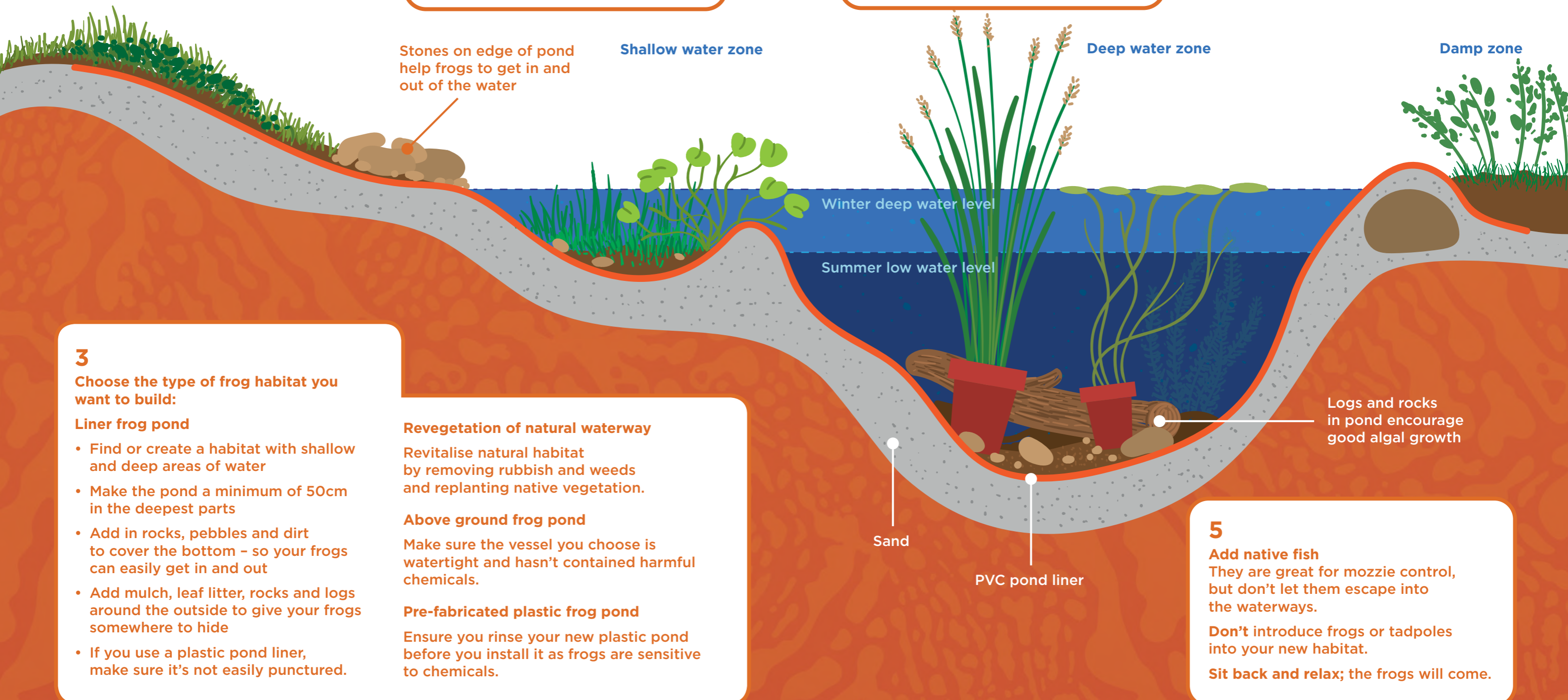
- not too close to houses (frogs can be very noisy)
- not too close to big trees (tree roots can cause problems)
- with enough sun for plants to grow.

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Add native plants, including:

- Tussock Sedges, Sedges and Nardoo for the shallow end
- Marsh Flower, Purple Loosestrife, Tassel Sedge and Water Ribbons for deeper areas
- Lomandra, Kangaroo Grass, Swamp Banksia, Saw-Leafed Sedge and Native Ginger for around the edges.

Check your local nursery for good native options for your area.



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Choose the type of frog habitat you want to build:

**Liner frog pond**

- Find or create a habitat with shallow and deep areas of water
- Make the pond a minimum of 50cm in the deepest parts
- Add in rocks, pebbles and dirt to cover the bottom - so your frogs can easily get in and out
- Add mulch, leaf litter, rocks and logs around the outside to give your frogs somewhere to hide
- If you use a plastic pond liner, make sure it's not easily punctured.

**Revegetation of natural waterway**

Revitalise natural habitat by removing rubbish and weeds and replanting native vegetation.

**Above ground frog pond**

Make sure the vessel you choose is watertight and hasn't contained harmful chemicals.

**Pre-fabricated plastic frog pond**

Ensure you rinse your new plastic pond before you install it as frogs are sensitive to chemicals.

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Add native fish

They are great for mozzie control, but don't let them escape into the waterways.

Don't introduce frogs or tadpoles into your new habitat.

Sit back and relax; the frogs will come.

# Get involved

When you record frog calls using the **FrogID** app you are helping scientists determine where frogs are most at risk from habitat lost, disease and climate change.

**FrogID** is Australia's first national frog count to save some of our most threatened species. It's a scientific rescue mission, so get your school involved today.

Teachers can register a class of students and use the FrogID classroom resources to contribute to FrogID.

Get your class and students involved in FrogID:

1. Create an account and group at **FrogID.net.au**
2. Instruct students to create an account and to join a class
3. Download the **FrogID** app, sign in and start recording
4. Check Leaderboard for results.

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