Help save the Malleefowl (*Leipoa ocellata*)

**Scientific name:** *Leipoa ocellata*

**Conservation status in NSW:** Endangered

**Commonwealth status:** Vulnerable

**Saving our Species management stream:** Iconic species

**Species profile:**

Saving our Species aims to conserve as many threatened species as possible. This conservation project aims to secure the Malleefowl in the wild in NSW for 100 years, engage local communities in its conservation, and encourage the NSW community to identify with it as a flagship for threatened species conservation. The project was developed by experts who identified the minimum number of necessary management sites and conservation actions required to conserve the species.

Six sites have been identified in NSW (ordered north to south). They are:
- Goonoo in Dubbo; Gilgandra; Warrumbungle; Wellington LGAs
- Nymagee in Bogan; Cobar LGAs
- Central Mallee in Carrathool; Cobar LGAs
- Scotia-Tarawi in Unincorporated Far West Region; Wentworth LGAs
- North Yalgogrin in Bland LGA
- Mallee Cliffs in Balranald; Wentworth LGAs

More information about each site is provided on the following pages.

All conservation work being undertaken to conserve the Malleefowl around the state is vital to its recovery. If you are working on one of the sites identified in this conservation project, or on a site elsewhere, please contact us at [www.environment.nsw.gov.au/savingourspecies/contactus.htm](http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/savingourspecies/contactus.htm)

**Map of Malleefowl key management sites**
Site 1: Goonoo

Large area centred on Goonoo State Conservation Area, also including Goonoo, Breelong and Cobbora National Parks and Coolbaggie Nature Reserve, as well as surrounding private leasehold lands, 20km north-east of Dubbo.

Total site area (ha): 251,806.03

LGA: Dubbo; Gilgandra; Warrumbungle; Wellington

NPWS reserve: Adelyne Cca Zone 3 State Conservation Area; Breelong Cca Zone 1 National Park; Cobbora Cca Zone 3 State Conservation Area; Coolbaggie Nature Reserve; Goonoo Cca Zone 1 National Park; Goonoo Cca Zone 3 State Conservation Area; Mogriguy Cca Zone 1 National Park

Occurs on private land: Yes

Estimated population size: <3 breeding pairs

Management site map

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Site 2: Nymagee

Area of private leasehold land surrounding the township of Nymagee, approximately 75km south of Cobar.

Total site area (ha): 632,557.55

LGA: Bogan; Cobar

NPWS reserve: Balowra State Conservation Area; Paddington Nature Reserve

Occurs on private land: Yes

Estimated population size: 10-15 breeding pairs

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Site 3: Central Mallee

A large area in central NSW, approximately 100 x 100km, including Yathong, Round Hill and Nombinnie Nature Reserves and Nombinnie State Conservation Area, as well as surrounding leasehold lands under private management.

Total site area (ha): 451,654.04

LGA: Carrathool; Cobar

NPWS reserve: Lachlan Valley National Park; Nombinnie Nature Reserve; Nombinnie State Conservation Area; Round Hill Nature Reserve; Yathong Nature Reserve

Occurs on private land: Yes

Estimated population size: <20 breeding pairs

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Site 4: Scotia-Tarawi

Large site in far south-western NSW, adjacent to the South Australia border. Includes Tarawi National Park, two private properties managed for conservation (Scotia Sanctuary and Nanya Station) and additional private leasehold lands to the south.

Total site area (ha): 180,279.23

LGA: Unincorporated Far West Region; Wentworth

NPWS reserve: Tarawi Nature Reserve

Occurs on private land: Yes

Estimated population size: <10 breeding pairs

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![Map of Scotia-Tarawi with management site legend]

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Site 5: North Yalgogrin
Small cluster of private properties approximately 30km west of West Wyalong in south central NSW.
Total site area (ha): 9,823.61
LGA: Bland
Occurs on private land: Yes
Estimated population size: <4 breeding pairs

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Site 6: Mallee Cliffs

Area covering the extent of Mallee Cliffs National Park plus adjacent private land to the south, approximately 20km east of Buronga in southern NSW.

Total site area (ha): 87,433.36

LGA: Balranald; Wentworth

NPWS reserve: Mallee Cliffs National Park

Occurs on private land: Yes

Estimated population size: 100-150 (40 active mounds)

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