



Melbourne Sea Slug Census IX

2 - 5 July 2021

Using your underwater camera, collect images of Sea Slugs anywhere in Victorian coastal waters! If you're out and about in the area we want to know what you find. It's up to you how you find them, but always remember to follow safe diving, snorkelling and rock pooling practices.

If you are heading to the coast during this time, please remember to follow all advice from health and environmental authorities around social distancing, access to sites and water quality. Take care and stay safe while enjoying our wonderful wild spaces.

Census Suggestions

1. Photos for the census are to be taken within Victorian coastal waters, between **00:01am Friday 2 July 2021 – 23:59 Monday 5 July 2021**.
2. Send in **one photo for each species** of sea slug you encounter per location. You don't need to identify the slugs (although please do if you can), just take their photos! Photos should be in focus and try to capture as many creature features as possible. If necessary, multiple photos can be uploaded per slug (e.g. if taken from different angles to assist with identification).
3. As always when out and about in nature, be mindful of limiting your impact on your subject and their surrounds.
4. Photos should be submitted by email, dropbox or other form of digital transfer to melbourneseaslugcensus@gmail.com by **Monday 12 July**.
5. Emails should include the names of everyone involved in capturing the image and details of the location where photos were taken. If you collect images at more than one site please indicate which photos were taken at which site. For a photo to be considered, it must be named as:

Photographer Name_Location_Sea Slug name (if known)_Date

There will be prizes up for grabs!

Head to www.vnpa.org.au/sea-slugs/ for more details.

