

Am I your BUSH Bud?

Superb Parrot

About me:

The slender and brightly coloured Superb Parrot is a regular breeding visitor to Canberra. Lucky Belconnen and Gunghalin residents can catch a glimpse of groups of these beautiful birds during their breeding season from September to January. The birds nest in tree-hollows and are often found near water. Superb Parrots can be seen across the Territory, foraging for seeds in grassy woodlands and urban parks. They also feed on the blossoms and seeds of wattles, eucalypts and mistletoes.

A recent study suggests that the Superb Parrot is highly sensitive to climate change. That study predicts that the core range of the Superb Parrot will shift south-eastward concentrating the population over the ACT and areas to its immediate north.



Threats:

The Superb Parrot is a threatened species. Habitat loss, climate change and nest competition are the key threats that are causing a decline in its numbers. The Superb Parrot has lost significant areas of breeding and foraging habitat due to widespread destruction and degradation of Box-Gum Grassy Woodlands throughout its range in south-eastern Australia.

Become my Bush Bud!

Take a stand for Canberra's Nature and sign up to get the chance to walk with an expert in the habitat of the Superb Parrot!

