

# Biological Databases of South Australia – Data Request Procedure

## BDBSA, NatureMaps and Atlas of Living Australia

The Biological Databases of South Australia (BDBSA) is comprised of an integrated collection of corporate databases which meet departmental standards for data quality, integrity and maintenance. Summary data outputs from BDBSA are available through the public websites of [Atlas of Living Australia](#) (ALA) and [NatureMaps](#). A comparison of the data obtained through these websites is contained within the [ALA](#) information sheet.

## Procedure for data requests outside the scope of NatureMaps and ALA retrieval tools

Users requiring data from the BDBSA outside the scope of the public NatureMaps and ALA data retrieval tools should submit a Data Request by emailing:

[DEWBioDataRequests@sa.gov.au](mailto:DEWBioDataRequests@sa.gov.au). Data will be sourced from the BDBSA Supertable. An overview of [BDBSA](#) and the [Supertable](#) can be viewed at the department's website.

Your request **needs to** contain a spatial definition (area) **and** a taxonomic definition (species) of the information to be extracted. Please refer to the methods described below. The department charges on a full cost-recovery basis. There is no charge for the data. The data request contact will reply to each request with a quote for cost of recovery and will only proceed with the request once a written acceptance of the cost and date of supply is received by email. The minimum charge for a data request is \$113 (GST incl.). Please allow two weeks for completion of data requests, although in some cases the time may be shorter.

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## Spatial definition (area)

Use one of the methods below:

1. ESRI® ArcGIS shapefile of the area to be searched
2. Minimum, maximum coordinates:
  - i. Easting, Northing and Zone **or**
  - ii. Latitude and Longitude [decimal degrees]
3. Park boundary
4. Mineral or Petroleum Licence
5. Point coordinate with a metre/kilometre radius from point to be searched
6. A specific regional boundary or statewide search.

Note that a buffer can be added to include records in the vicinity that have less precise location coordinates.

## Taxonomic or threatened status definition

One of the following options should be specified:

1. All flora and/or fauna including taxa listed under state or national legislation
2. Threatened flora and/or fauna only (taxa listed under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972* or *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*)
3. Class, family, genus or species required (e.g. all *Acacia latzii* records for the state).

## If you require other spatial data please contact:

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