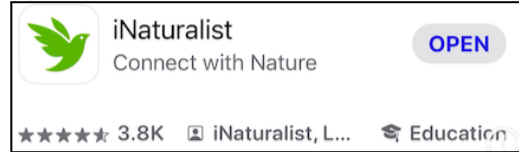


Quick Start Guide to OBSERVATIONS

A. GENERATE AN INATURALIST.ORG ACCOUNT

- a. Note your USERNAME and PASSWORD
- b. OBSERVATIONS can be made via:
 - i. **iNaturalist.org** web application
 - ii. iNaturalist phone application ⇒



B. TAKE FOCUSED SMARTPHONE PHOTOS

UP CLOSE pics of:

- i. **REPRODUCTIVE PARTS (FRUIT or FLOWERS)**
Capture the fruit or flowers, if any. Fruit is the seed, nut, samara, acorn, etc.
- ii. **SINGLE LEAF**
Capture a single leaf with attachment to the twig. Include leaf venation, petiole and bud
- iii. **SEVERAL LEAVES**
Capture several leaves attached to a branch
- iv. **BARK**
Capture the bark using the diameter of the trunk to frame

FULL SPECIMEN pics of:

- v. **FULL TREE**
Capture as much of the entire canopy and trunk as possible
Step away from the tree while watching for hazards
- vi. **UP THE CANOPY**
Use the selfie feature and hold phone close to trunk

C. CREATE YOUR INATURALIST OBSERVATION

UPLOAD pics from CAMERA LIBRARY

Use the pics from your CAMERA LIBRARY taken of the specimen
Phone app allows 4 pics at a time

SELECT the SPECIES → iNaturalist will use the **SEEK app** to suggest an ID

SHARE your OBSERVATION → this saves your OBSERVATION

D. IF SEEDS WERE COLLECTED...

ADD the COLLECTION DATE to the **OBSERVATION** (pics below)

NOTE the OBSERVATION ID on the seeds when sending to **TreeFolks**.

OBSERVATION ID is the number at the end of the URL

Example: <https://www.inaturalist.org/observations/180205828>

A screenshot of the iNaturalist "Observation Fields" form. It shows a green checkmark icon and the text "Observation Fields". Below this is a text input field with the placeholder "Choose a field". At the bottom, there is a label "SeedToTree: Collection Date".A screenshot of the "SeedToTree: Collection Date" form. It shows a text input field with the placeholder "Date/Time" and an "Add" button. Below the input field is the text "Indicates Last Time Seeds Were Collected from This Specimen".A screenshot of the "SeedToTree: Collection Date" form. It shows a text input field with the placeholder "Date/Time" and a calendar icon. Below the input field is the text "August 2023" and navigation arrows.