

PROTECT OUR INDIGENOUS SPECIES

Help prevent the spread of an invader, the Guttural Toad

The City of Cape Town's Environmental Resource Management Department, in partnership with NCC, CapeNature and the South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI), is embarking on a project to protect our indigenous frogs. An invader toad species, the Guttural Toad, is rapidly establishing and spreading in your area and we need your help!



Guttural Toad
(*Amietophrynus gutturalis*)



Western Leopard Toad
(*Amietophrynus pantherinus*)

Guttural Toads may pose a serious threat to the survival of our indigenous frog and toad species, especially the endangered Western Leopard Toad, as they compete for habitat, resources and breeding grounds.

The Guttural Toads have been introduced to Constantia and are not native. They currently occur in about 5 km² in the Constantia Valley area and are known to breed in garden ponds.

Each female Guttural Toad is capable of laying up to 25 000 eggs. If this population is allowed to continue to spread along the

greenbelts there is a very real threat of them colonising all major Cape Town water bodies in the future with potentially disastrous consequences.

Guttural Toads have a loud guttural or rattling croak and call in the summer months, unlike the Western Leopard Toads that call only in August and September.

Over the next few months we will be surveying the Constantia and Bishopscourt area to identify their distribution. If we identify your property as a breeding site we kindly ask for your support and will contact you to make appropriate arrangements to remove them.

We urge all residents, especially those who border greenbelts, to assist us to stop the Guttural Toad invasion.

Please contact us if you have seen or heard any Guttural Toads on your property.

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