



Cicada Safari



Cicada Safari is a citizen science app that helps track the emergence of cicadas. Cicada Safari helps track what type of cicadas are emerging at different locations and puts your photographs and sound clips on their interactive map! The app's interface is user friendly and allows everyone, not just scientists, to learn more about cicadas.

How to use the app

First, if you spot a cicada in your community take a picture. Upload the picture of the cicada onto the app by pressing the large cicada cartoon on the bottom of the screen. Once you get a good picture, press the paper airplane button in the bottom right corner. The picture will then be sent to the Cicada Safari team to be approved for posting. Once approved, you will see your cicada pop up on the map! If you hear cicadas chorusing in your community, you can also upload a video of this to the app.

How you can get the app?

To download and install the app on Android and Apple devices, use the following links.

Get the app for an [Android!](#)

Get the app for an [Apple!](#)

Once you download the app, create your own account using an existing email address. Then, create a username and password that you can remember.

Why using Cicada Safari is fun and important

Cicada Safari allows you to use your phone or computer to help track, photograph, and map cicadas and verify where they are emerging. The Behavioral and Natural Sciences Department at Mount St. Joseph University created this app to search, photograph, video, and help map cicadas. By uploading your pictures and videos to the app, you help scientists learn more about cicadas.

For more information, visit the [Cicada Safari website](#).

Now that you have the Cicada Safari app, **we challenge you** to look and listen for cicadas in your community. If you hear cicadas, send us a picture or video and tell us something interesting that you learned about cicadas. Submit your answer by direct messaging our Instagram account at [@YCITYSCI](#) for the chance to win a prize and be featured on our page! New Cicada Safari related questions will be added to our Instagram story and page throughout the week. Respond to these questions to have a chance to win additional prizes!



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