



# Introduction to local wildlife

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We do respect our viewers so we will not bother you about all those jumpy kangaroos, cute koalas, dangerous white pointers and crocks, leggy emus, weird platypuses and echidnas.

Everyone knows about them!

Instead, we will give you a friendly warning about some other native creatures inhabiting the Great City of Novocastria.

**Beware!!!**

**Most of the pictures have been  
taken within 15 km from the  
Noah's.**

# Birds

# Kookaburra



Giant kingfisher which  
feeds on snakes and BBQ steaks

All sorts of Cockies.  
Very effective noise generators!



Butcherbird



Magpie



One does not get such a name for nothing.  
Do not approach their nests when in use!!!

# Anti-magpie psycho warfare





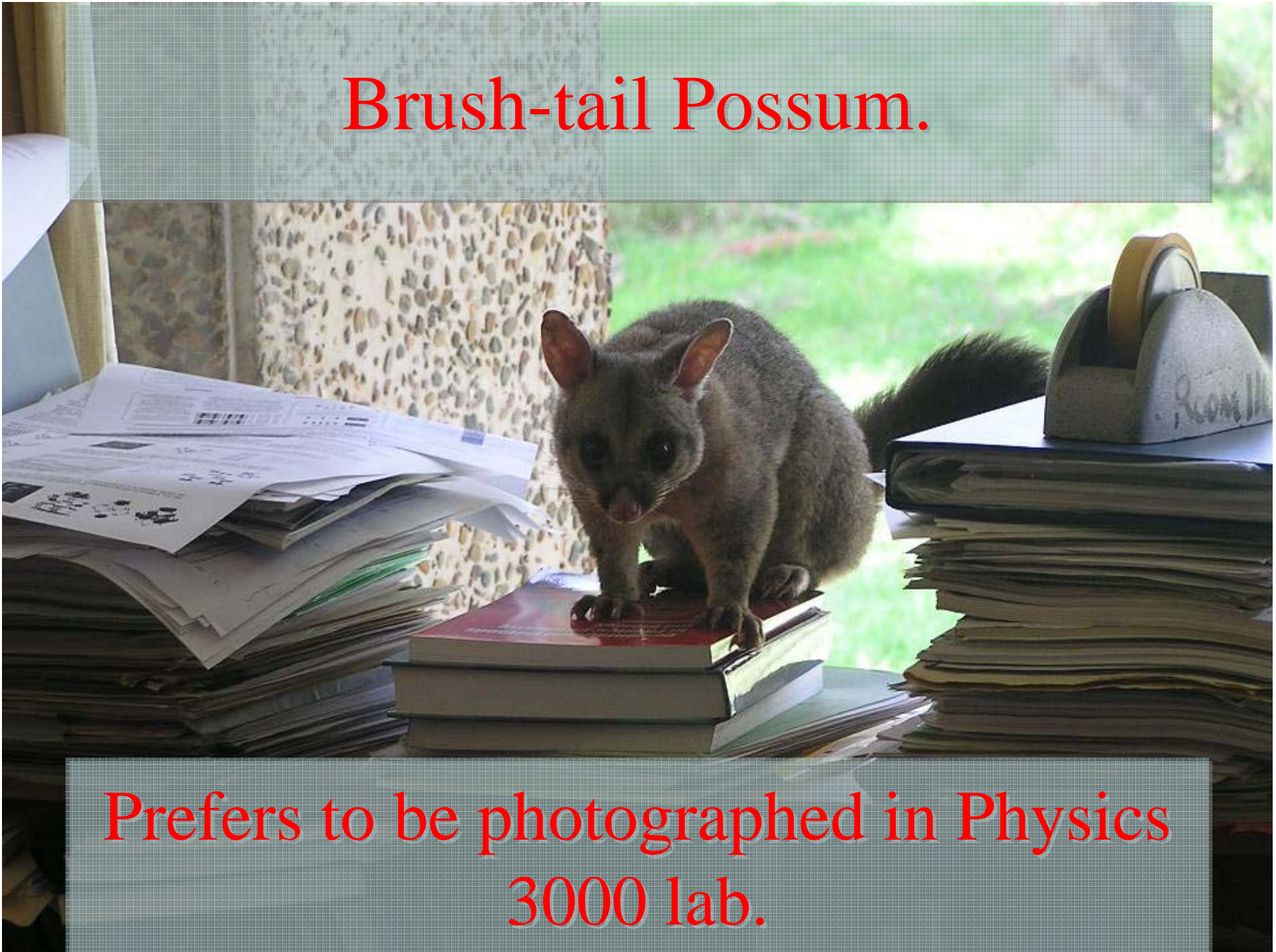
Can anyone spot a bird?



Tawny Frogmouth. Not an owl!

# Mammals

# Brush-tail Possum.



Prefers to be photographed in Physics  
3000 lab.

Fruits?



No, fruit-bats!



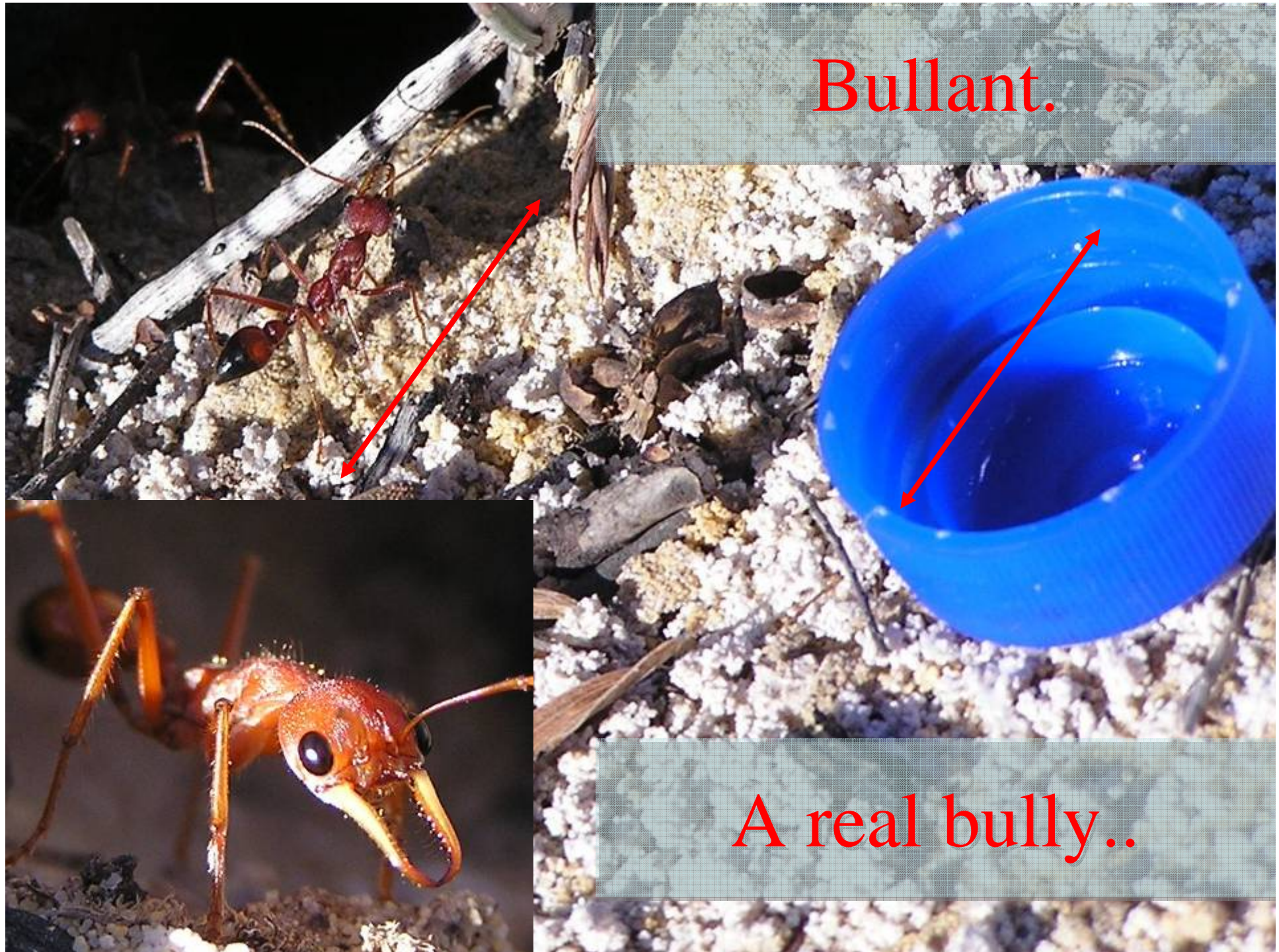
Aussie  
(introduced species)

Feeds on icy-cold beer.



Bugs

Bullant.



A real bully..



**Brown Trapdoor...**

**...or Funnel Web.**

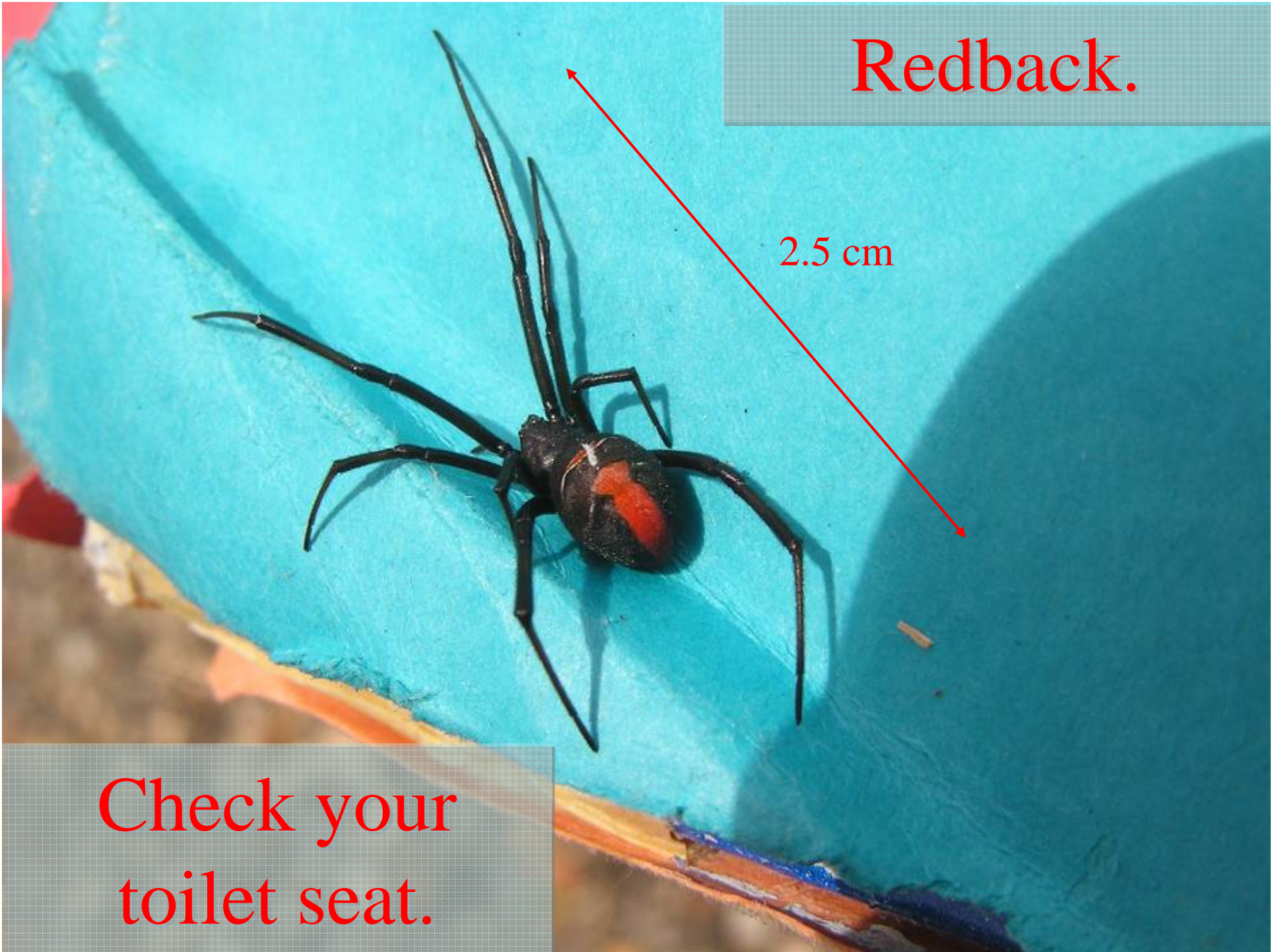
**Attend hospital within 30 min  
after bite. If you can.**



Redback.

2.5 cm

Check your  
toilet seat.



Huntsman.

7-8 cm



Very good pet. Feeds on other spiders.

# Reptiles



Bluetongue.

Guess why!

You're right!



# Red-belly black snake

It doesn't bite often.

Goanna. Eats everything...

...but does not like beer!



Waterfront

Long-finned eel.



Feeds on moorhens.






Seafood

Starfish

Sea urchin.

Watch your step!

Other things you  
might come across  
while on the beach..

A photograph of a rainbow arching over the ocean. The rainbow is positioned in the center of the frame, with its base on the water and its top reaching into a cloudy sky. The water is a deep blue, and the sky is a mix of grey and white clouds. The overall scene is serene and natural.

Just 1 km East  
of the Noah's

Another sort...



Now you are ready to get around  
relatively safely!

Good luck!