BIODIVERSITY RECOVERY ON MILLOWL Bringing Bush stone-curlews back to Phillip Island We are working towards the reintroduction of this critically endangered species in Victoria after their disappearance in the 1970s. A long term project with expected setbacks and challenges, this work is crucial to the broader

recovery of this species in south-eastern Australia.

During the day they roost

amongst leaf

litter and fallen

timber

They have a sorrowful toned. high pitched call 'weer-lo'

They have

prominent vellow

eyes, long legs, and pointed

beaks



They live in

grassy or open

woodland

areas

FUN FACTS:

Bush stone-curlews belong to the shorebird family and are related to birds such as ovster catchers, stilts and hooded plovers



They are also called

BUSH STONE-CURLEWS...



Average height 52-58cm



Life span 30



Weight 1000g

Courtship rituals include dancing with outstretched wings, stamping feet and calling to each other

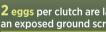


Chicks are self sufficient from day one and stay with parents for up to 9 months











They hunt at night for mice, mosquitoes, spiders, frogs but also eat roots and tubers

Phillip Island
NATURE PARKS

Due to the diverse interpretations of curlews in Aboriginal lore, some communities may consider the species culturally sensitive.