WHERE ARE THE Fawn Antechinus?

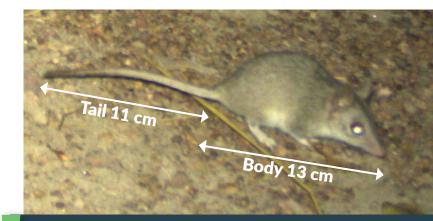
We are looking for properties in the Darwin Rural area where Fawn Antechinus are found.

The Fawn Antechinus is a small marsupial that lives in tall woodland. In the past it was locally common and a regular visitor to camping grounds and houses in some Top End communities, including the Darwin rural area.

HAVE YOU SEEN THEM ON YOUR PROPERTY?

Fawn Antechinus have declined significantly from a number of locations where we have established monitoring programs. Once a species becomes rare in the landscape it becomes much more difficult to find (or detect). We are no longer catching them at sites where it was previously easy to trap one.

We are looking for locations with Fawn Antechinus to run a research project testing different methods to detect them. The project will run from May – July 2018 and will involve both live trapping and setting of camera traps in different formations to find out the best way to "catch" one. All animals trapped will be recorded and then released in exactly the same place they were found.



SMALLER THAN A RAT POINTY FACE (FACES OF RATS/MICE ARE ROUNDED) TAIL SHORTER THAN BODY LENGTH (RATS TAILS ARE MUCH LONGER THAN THEIR BODY)



If you think you know where Fawn Antechinus might be found please contact Anna Miller, Flora and Fauna Division, 08 8995 5014 or anna.miller@nt.gov.au

