

Photo of the Month



Starred Agama: (*Laudakia stellio*) is common in various mountains and rocky habitats, all over the Jordanian territory.

Did You Know?



RSCN's fauna researchers, in collaboration with international scientists, have performed several field trips, and brought new data on bats distribution in Jordan. They have recorded 16 bat species, two of which are recorded for the first time in Jordan. [See the scientific report](#)

BioBit



The iconic, desert-dwelling Arabian Oryx prefers near-desert conditions and can survive without water for a long period of time. In addition, it has a wide home-range up to 80Km/ day searching for food and water.

Go Greener!
Choose compact fluorescent light bulbs over traditional bulbs – they are up to 70% more efficient and will save you money while reducing your impact on the environment.



Our Mission

RSCN aims to conserve the biodiversity of Jordan and integrate its conservation programs with socio-economic development, while promoting wider public support and action for the protection of the natural environment within Jordan and neighboring countries.



RSCN Info

Taking Conservation Beyond the Boundaries

As a recognized leader in ecotourism and conservation, RSCN is paving the way to a greener Middle East by equipping conservation leaders from neighboring countries through a series of regional training programs.



Giving Environmental Reporting a Boost

RSCN is proud to launch the annual Environmental Reporting Award to promote conservation awareness and excellence in environmental reporting. HRH Princess Rym Ali heads a panel of judges that will select winners based on originality, research quality, and environmental relevance.



Local Conservation News

Jordan participates in international campaign



Under the Patronage of the Minister of Environment H.E. Khalid Irani, the Australian Embassy in Amman, in cooperation with The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature, the Friends of Environment Society, the Greater Amman Municipality, Environment Police and a number of environmental non-governmental organisations and the private sector, will join the international campaign "Clean Up the World" with an event at the Amman National Park on Saturday October 3, 2009 at 9:00 am. A national "Save the Forests" campaign will also be launched that day to protect the forests in Jordan from littering and abuse by picnickers and irresponsible people.

To read more about the Clean Up Story, www.cleanuptheworld.org

International Environmental News

"Seal the Deal" Campaign

The UN-led Seal the Deal Campaign aims to galvanize political will and public support for reaching a comprehensive global climate agreement in Copenhagen in December. The United Nations has launched the "Seal the Deal" campaign that encourages users to sign an online, global petition which will be presented by civil society to governments of the world.



[There is no time to waste: stamp your vote and seal the deal](#)

Take Action

Tread Lightly Upon the Earth

We all have a carbon footprint – a measure of how much greenhouse gases we release in our daily activities. From flipping off lights to walking to work, we can all play our part in minimizing our impact. Learn how to calculate your carbon footprint and steps you can take to reduce it.



[Calculate your footprint](#)
[Reduce your footprint](#)

Member Feedback



Thanks to all our members and friends who sent us their feedback on the newsletter. Your comments will be taken into consideration in future issues. Read on for some of the comments we received:



" I congratulate you on the great effort done here. I very much like the newsletter. It is brief, clear, very readable and keeps me in touch with nature. I think it is an excellent start and I look forward to receiving future editions"

" I liked the fact that you put a small summary in the newsletter with a link for more in depth reading. This way we can skim through it and get a quick idea of what is going on then if we need in depth information we go to it as needed instead of having a very large newsletter. Small and brief newsletters mean faster reading, quicker download and smaller storage place"

" Concentrate on an area that is currently being hampered or affected by either water pollution, dumping sites, changing or diminishing water sources or trees, housing expansion, etc.... so that more people can realize the extent of the damage"

" Suggest to the readers some good habits to reduce waste, recycling tips, etc..."



" Thank you very much – good idea and nicely written. More details about nature itself would be good – a plant or animal in each newsletter perhaps"

" It is a very professional and informative newsletter keeping us in our busy life in touch with the important events and activities accomplished by your organization"