

Brown anole at Bishan

Subject: Brown anole, *Norops sagrei* (Reptilia: Sauria: Dactyloidae).

Subject identified by: Contributors and Kelvin K. P. Lim.

Location, date and time: Singapore Island, Bishan, Clover Rise; 9 March 2015; around noon.

Habitat: Suburban. In the backyard of a house among potted plants.

Observer: Woo Wen Xuan.

Observation: An adult example of about 15 cm total length was observed basking on the rim of a clay flower pot. See attached picture.

Remarks: The brown anole was first observed in Singapore in 2012 at the Marina Bay area. These lizards may have been introduced with ornamental plants imported for Gardens by the Bay (Tan & Lim, 2012). The featured sighting appears to be the first published record of the brown anole outside the Marina Bay area.

Reference: Tan H. H. & K. K. P. Lim, 2012. Recent introduction of the brown anole *Norops sagrei* (Reptilia: Squamata: Dactyloidae) to Singapore. *Nature in Singapore*. 5: 359-362.



Photograph by Woo Wen Xuan

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