

## Green iguana at Burgundy Crescent

**Subject:** Green iguana, *Iguana iguana* (Reptilia: Sauria: Iguanidae).

**Subject identified by:** Contributor & Kelvin K. P. Lim.

**Location, date and time:** Singapore Island, Bukit Batok area, Burgundy Crescent; 20 November 2015; daytime.

**Habitat:** Suburban housing estate with low concrete houses. In a backyard by the edge of an isolated patch of young secondary forest.

**Observers:** Contributor and family.

**Observation:** An example of about 90 cm total length was seen three metres up on the branches of a jackfruit tree and well-camouflaged among the foliage (see accompanying picture on the right).

**Remarks:** The green iguana, a native of Latin America, has been introduced to Singapore by the pet trade. Individuals, most likely escaped or abandoned pets, have been reported from various parts of Singapore Island, and a feral population appears to have been established in the Sungei Tengah area (Ng & Lim, 2015).

It is not known if the featured individual is a recently escaped/abandoned pet, or an offspring of feral iguanas.

**Reference:** Ng B. C. & K. K. P. Lim, 2015. Green iguana at Sungei Tengah. *Singapore Biodiversity Records*. 2015: 51.

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