City Nature Challenge 2019

Captive / Cultivated

CAPTIVE / CULTIVATED:
What is it and when to use it.

iNaturalist is mainly used for observing 'wild' specimens, however the 'Captive/Cultivated' option allows users to state if the specimen has been 'planted' and/or if humans had 'intended' it to be there.

Here are some examples of the differences.

Wild/Natural	Captive/Cultivated
Trees/Flowers in a woodland	Trees/flowers in an urban park
Fish in the sea or rivers	Fish in a pond or tank
All animals except….	Farm animals or pets
	Zoo or botanical garden animals

Highlighting observations as 'Captive/Cultivated' allows iNaturalist's data scientist partners to filter them out as they conduct research into 'wild' organisms

However, the City Nature Challenge allows Captive/Cultivated observations to be included in totals but wish to emphasize that 'wild' observations are more preferable for iNaturalist's database.

The Captive/Cultivated toggle can be found as you are putting in details for your observation. Please use it when necessary.
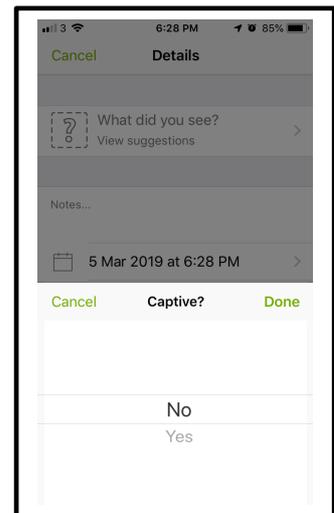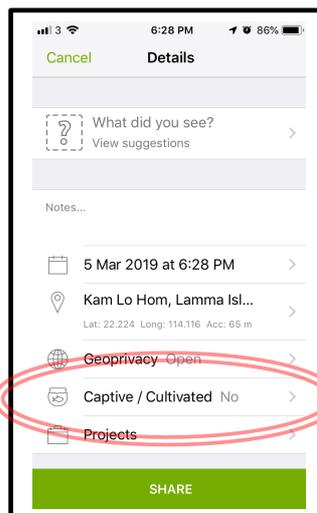
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