BE CASS-O-WARY CASSOWARY COUNTRY

Cassowaries are an endangered species found throughout the rainforests and nearby woodlands and swamps of North Queensland.

These large flightless birds play an important role in the dispersal of rainforest plant seeds.

Cassowary populations face a variety of threats and, as habitat disappears, human contact with cassowaries is increasing.

Report sick, injured or orphaned cassowaries



While cassowaries are fascinating they are also potentially dangerous. We can help protect these special birds and keep ourselves safe in 'Cassowary Country' by being 'Cass-o-wary'.

If you live in or visit Cassowary Country, please be Cass-o-wary by remembering:

- Feeding cassowaries is dangerous and has led to injuries and deaths of birds
- To place all food scraps in enclosed bins—even an apple core out the window is feeding cassowaries at the roadside
- Fed cassowaries can become aggressive towards people

- Let cassowaries find their own water—they don't need your help
- Slow down to avoid cassowaries on the road and observe 'Recent Cassowary Sighting' signs
- Keep dogs inside the yard, and on a leash when taking them out
- Retain native vegetation on your land as natural cassowary habitat.

Further information visit the Queensland Government website **www.qld.gov.au**



