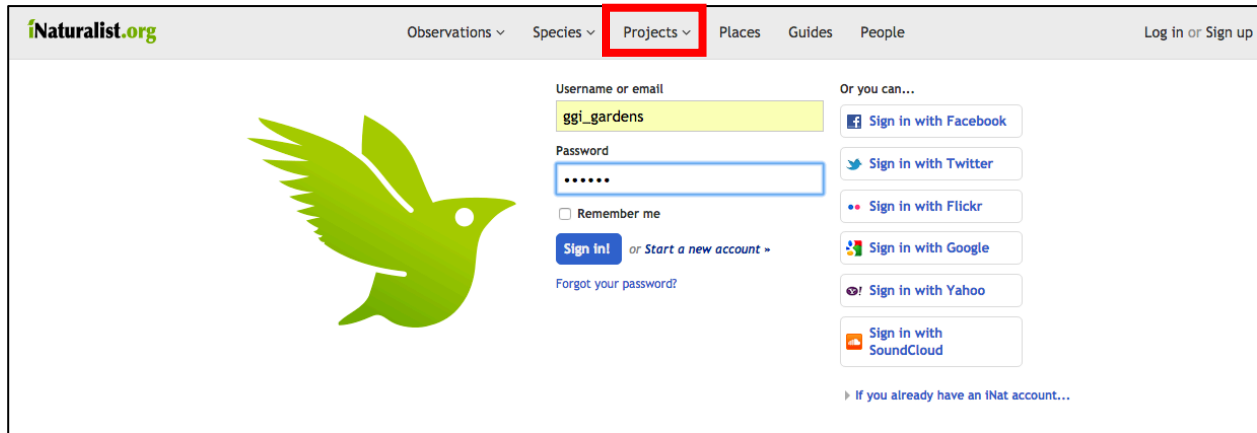# Using iNaturalist.org to document collections through the Global Genome Initiative for Gardens

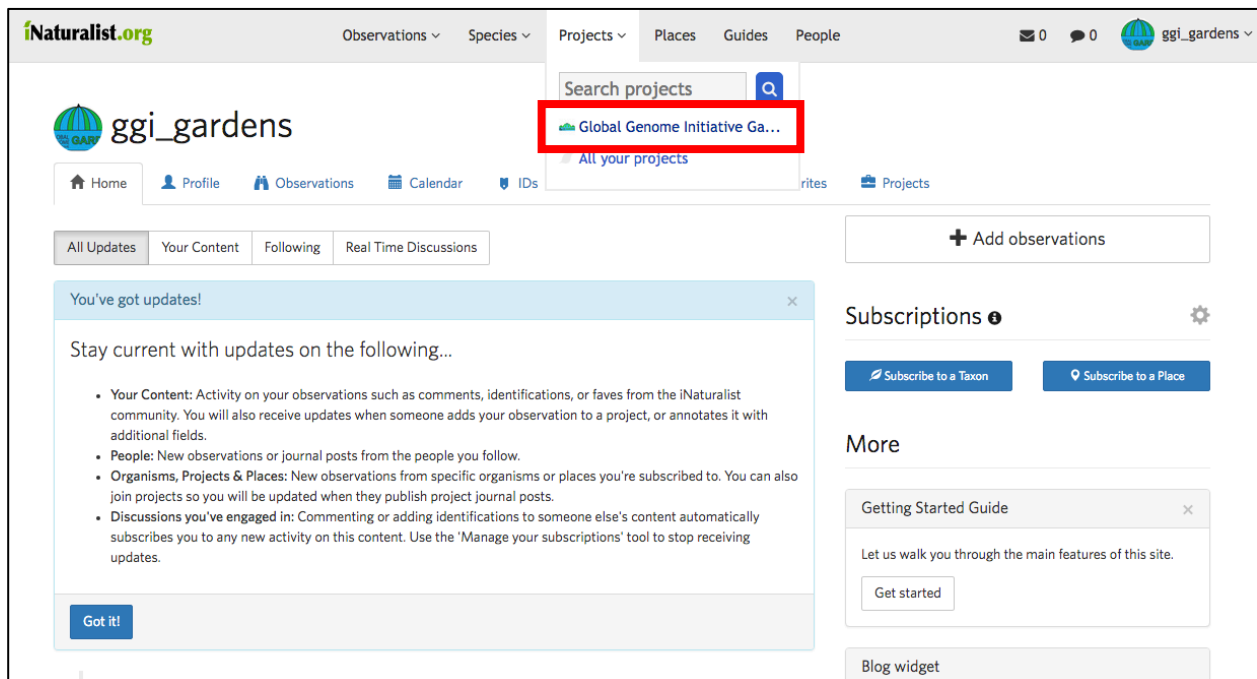*iNaturalist* as a tool to document GGI-Gardens collections

1.1) Create an account and send your iNaturalist ID to Morgan Gostel to be added as a "Project Curator"

1.2) Open the Global Genome Initiative for Gardens Project in iNaturalist

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2.1) After making observations (see below), Curators are able to export collections data from the project page

2.2) Use the 'Export Observation' guidance given in iNaturalist to customize the export query.

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3) Using the iNaturalist app on your phone and adding observations to the GGI-Gardens project is simple:

3.1) Your Application page, showing your observations;
3.2) Select 'More' and then 'Projects';
3.3) Select 'Global Genome Initiative for Gardens' project
3.4) Select 'Observe' to add an observation
3.5) Take a clear photo(s) of the plant (close up of vegetative and reproductive features as well as a habitat photograph);
3.6) Add the identification of the species observed.

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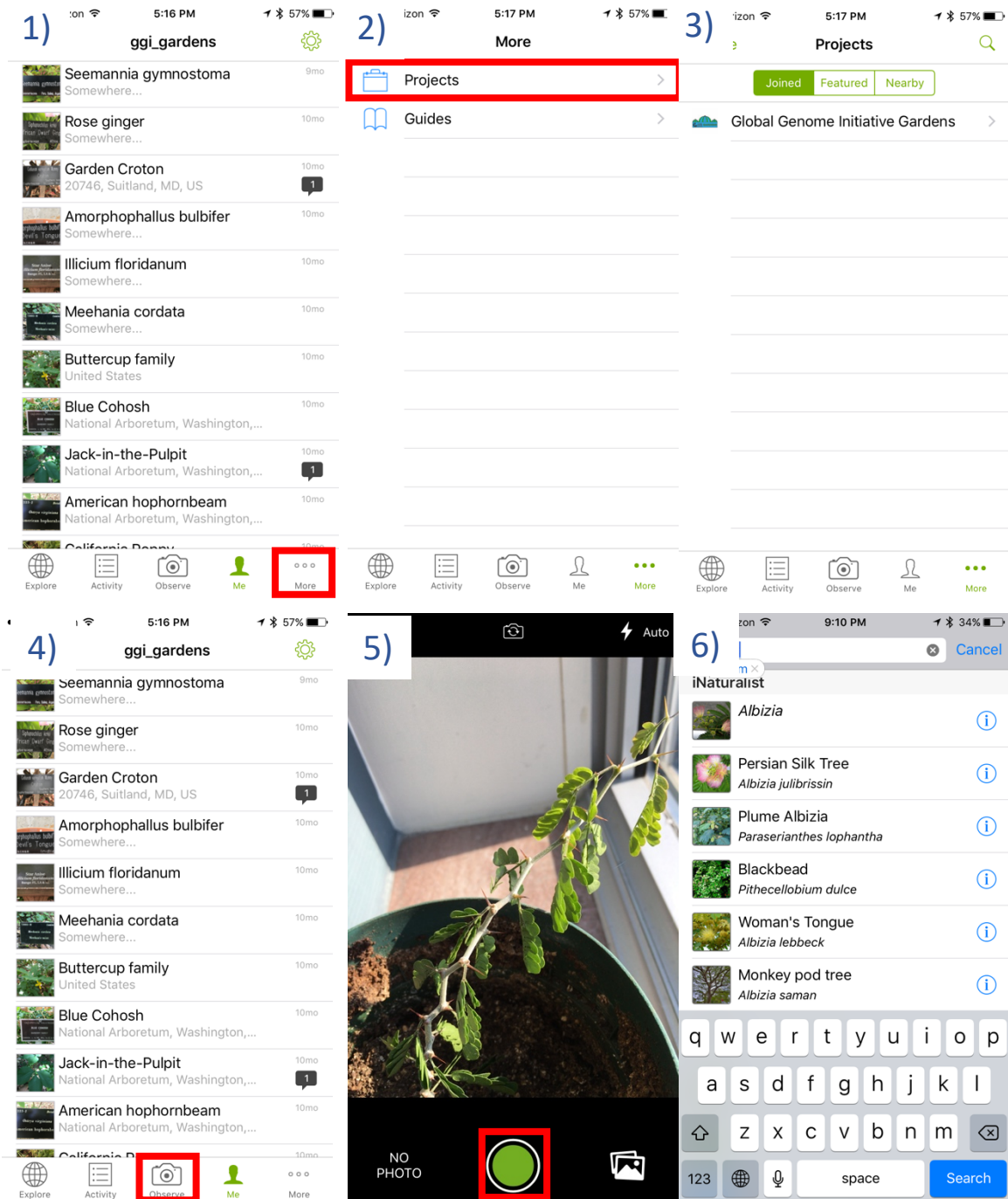
3.7) Ensure that 'Geoprivacy' is set to 'Private';
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3.9) Ensure that 'Captive/Cultivated" is set to 'Yes';
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3.11) Select 'Projects';
3.12) Ensure that 'GGI-Gardens' Project is toggled on;

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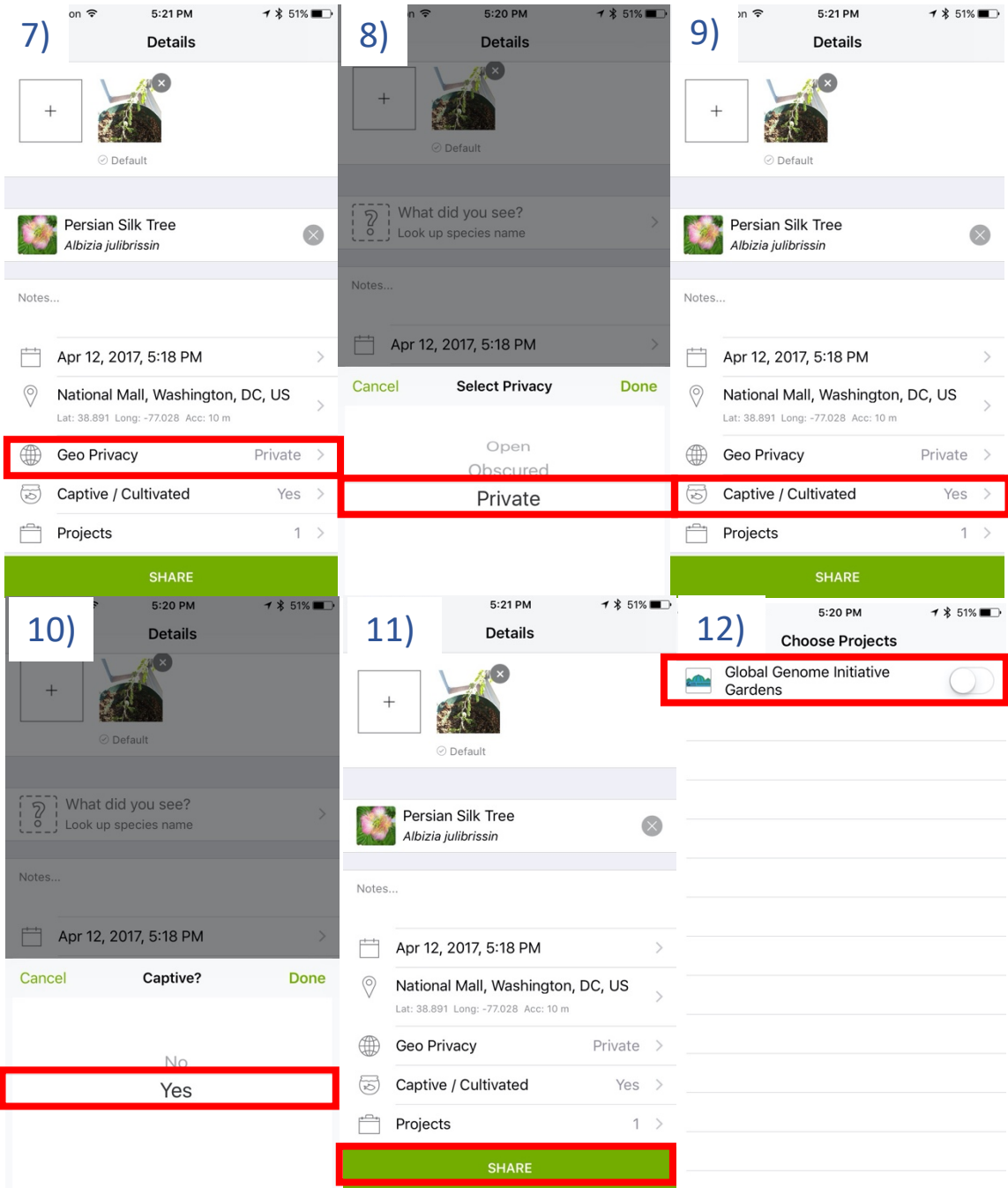
3.13) Fill in required project-specific fields about the observation;
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3.15) Select 'Share' button to complete and save observation.

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