





## 凌波仙子——水雉

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臺南官田是臺灣菱角產業的重鎮，也是保育類野生動物——水雉的重要棲地。隨著工業用地擴張，棲地銳減，水雉的數量一度只剩 50 隻左右，故此，行政院農業委員會和臺南市政府合作，打造官田水雉生態教育園區，發展生態教育與觀光，水雉的族群規模而能穩定成長，至今已超過 1,000 隻。當地有不少農民響應政府作為，採用友善環境農法耕作，避免水雉誤食農藥，開創了生態與農業的雙贏局面。

「貼有『綠色保育標章』的菱角，代表種植過程中不使用農藥，能確保水雉的安全。」

「太好了，我可以用購買支持農民，為生態保護出一份力！」

Guantian Tainan is a major town for water chestnut farming in Taiwan, and also an important habitat for jacana, the wild species of conservation whose population decreased to around 50 birds due to the drastic habitat loss to the expanding industrial land. Therefore, Council of Agriculture, Executive Yuan and Tainan City Government established and jointly operated Jacana Ecological Education Park to develop ecological education and tourism. Steadily, the government's actions have brought back the population of jacana gradually. So far, there are more than 1,000 jacanas. Many local farmers also responded to the action. They adopt eco-friendly farming to prevent jacanas' ingestion of pesticides by mistake, and create a win-win situation for both ecology and agriculture.

“The water chestnut products with Green Eco Labels represent pesticide-free farming and protection of jacanas.”

“How wonderful. I can make contribution to eco protection by purchasing from these farmers.”

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