

Arkansas State Symbols - Office



Original Seal

The Arkansas **State Seal** was adopted on May 3, 1864. The seal was modified to its present form on May 23, 1907.

What images are inside the shield, covering the front of the eagle?

top: _____

middle: _____

: _____

bottom: _____



Current Seal



(color the flag)

The flag of Arkansas, also known as the **Arkansas flag**, consists of a rectangular field of red, on which is placed a large white diamond, bordered by a wide band of blue. Across the diamond is the word 'Arkansas' and four blue stars, one above, three below the word. On the blue band are how many stars? _____

The flag was adopted by the Arkansas legislature on February 26, 1913. It has had many different designs since then, the current flag is the one we use today.

What is Arkansas **State Moto**? _____

What were the local Native American tribes called, that the French and Spanish explorers referred to as the "People who live downstream?" _____ and _____



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What images are inside the shield covering the front of the eagle?

top: **STEAMBOAT**

middle: **PLOW**

: BEEHIVE

bottom: **WHEAT**

*On the blue band are how many stars? **25***

*What is Arkansas State Moto? **The People Rule***

What were the local Native American tribes called, that the French and Spanish explorers referred to as the “People who live downstream?”

Quapaw and **Arkansaw**

Arkansas State Symbols - Geology

Arkansas has 6 natural regions each with its own geology. Much of our landscape is the result of differential erosion, the varying resistance of individual rocks to wearing down. Another way Arkansas was shaped, was through new settlements being developed. Lands used for farming, towns, roads, railroads, and eventually payment roads for vehicles. Not to mention natural occurrence through heavy rain, flooding, earthquakes, and climate changes.





Use the 6 Regions listed below to color the map of Arkansas.

- Ozarks** – Orange,
- Arkansas River Valley** – Blue,
- Ouachitas** – Red,
- Coastal Plains** – Yellow,
- Mississippi Alluvial Plain** – Green,
- Crowley's Ridge** – Purple.



Draw a line from the minerals below to the county they come from.

(You will need a county map to help you.)

<p>Arkansas Mineral: Quartz</p>  <p>Quartz are mined in the Ouachita Mountains. They can be found in Scott County and are usually clear or white, but can also be pink, yellow or even purple.</p>	<p>Arkansas Rock: Bauxite</p>  <p>Bauxite is an important part of making aluminum, a metal used for soft drink cans. Saline County has the largest bauxite deposits.</p>	<p>Arkansas Gemstone: Diamond</p>  <p>The Crater of Diamonds State Park in Murfreesboro is the only place in the world you can dig and KEEP diamonds.</p>	<p>Arkansas Soil: Stuttgart Soil</p>  <p>Stuttgart soils named after the City Stuttgart, in Arkansas County, are best at producing rice, soybeans, small grains, and corn.</p>
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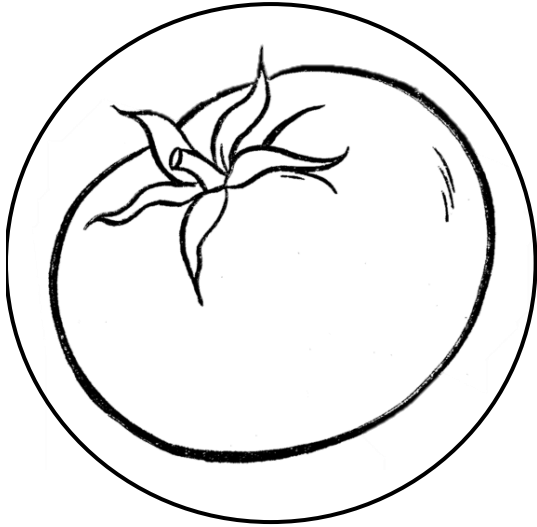
Arkansas Soil:
Stuttgart Soil



Stuttgart soils named after the City Stuttgart, in **Arkansas County**, are best at producing rice, soybeans, small grains, and corn.

Arkansas State Symbols – Natural

Once you have read about each natural symbol color the pictures.



The **Tomato** is officially a fruit, but is usually used as a vegetable. Bradley County celebrates the tomato with the annual Pink Tomato Festival.

The **Apple Blossom** grows on trees with flowers that can bloom pink or white with green leaves. The town of Lincoln in Washington County hosts an annual Apple Festival each Fall.



Rice is an important food for people around the world. It is the leading crop for Arkansas farms. Almost half of all American rice, is grown in the eastern delta part of our state.



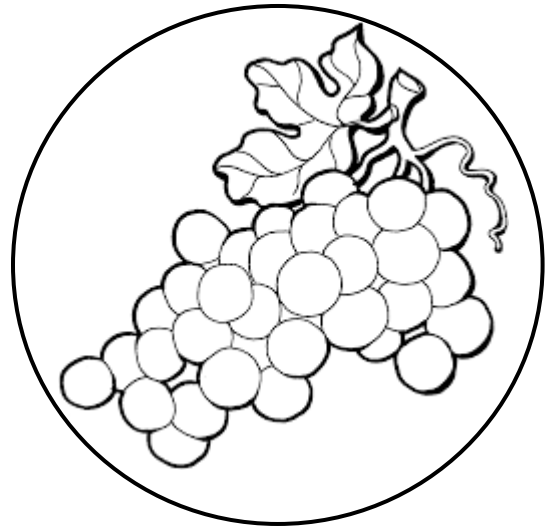
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Arkansas **Pecan** groves produce around 1 million pounds of nuts each year. Pecans can be found in many southern recipes.

Cynthiana grapes are native to Arkansas. Grown for wine-making by vineyards across the Ozarks. Our state is one of the nation's top producers of this type of grape.



The **Southern Yellow and Loblolly Pine** trees are common around Arkansas. They can grow more than 100 feet tall.



Arkansas State Symbols – Animals

Arkansas has many different types of animals but only a few can be established as a state symbol. Learn about these animals by unscramble the words related below. Use the word bank for help.

Word Bank

Mockingbird



Honeybee



Diana Fritillary



White Tail Deer



Arkansaurus Fridayi



Alligator Gar



1. ANIDA TLYFIALRIR

This insect lives in moist mountain areas and the females are large with bright blue markings.

2. HTIWE LTIA EDRE

This animal when young has red fur with white spots. As they get older, it turns brownish-gray and helps them hide.

3. GLATLAOIR AGR

To survive in shallow water I can breathe both air and water. I have a broad snout and sharp teeth.

4. BOEHYENE

This flyer collects pollen and helps plants make fruit and seeds for farmers.

5. KBMIORINDGC

I imitate the sounds of many other birds-frogs and insects.

6. SAKRUANUSRA DYRFIAI

I lived a long time ago, and my right hind foot was discovered by Joe B. Friday in Sevier County.



Answers! Arkansas State Symbols – Animals



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2. White Tail Deer



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4. Honeybee



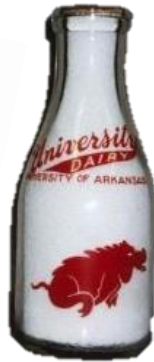
5. Mockingbird



6. Arkansaurus Fridayi

Arkansas State Symbols - Crossword

Read the sentences below to figure out the crossword puzzle.



Word Bank

- Fiddle
- Songs of Arkansas
- Square Dance
- Bowie Knife
- Dutch Oven
- Shotgun
- The Arkansas Traveler
- Milk

Down:

1. State song (s), official State Anthem, and State Historic Song are.
2. Early European settlers carried long-barreled _____ for hunting and self-protection.
4. good for calcium and Vitamin D.
5. a "caller," will call out steps during this type of dance?

Across:

3. before itunes, radios, tvs, this instrument was common in pioneer homes.
6. On a lonely road quite long ago, a trav'ler trod with fiddle and a bow.
7. this heavy pot is used over the campfire for cooking food in.
8. James _____ adventurer and land speculator made these self-defense _____.



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