

<p>State Bird</p>  <p>In 1931, the Cactus Wren was chosen the state bird. A large wren that is native to the arid southwest. Women's groups launched a campaign in 1931 to decide on a state bird.</p>	<p>State Flower</p>  <p>In 1931, the Saguaro Blossom was chosen the state flower. The giant saguaro cactus is native to Arizona. It can grow over 40 feet tall and has a lifespan of over 150 years.</p>	<p>State Tree</p>  <p>In 1954, the Palo Verde was chosen the state tree. Palo Verde in Spanish means "green stick." All parts of the tree are green: leaves, branches, limbs, and trunk.</p>
<p>State Fish</p> <p>In 1986, the Apache Trout was chosen the state fish.</p>  <p>The Apache Trout fish is only found in the cold-water streams in the White Mountains of Arizona.</p>	<p>State Animal</p> <p>In 1986, the Ringtail was chosen the state animal. They are also called ringtail cats and miner's cats. They are not cats but are related to the raccoon.</p> 	<p>State Reptile</p>  <p>In 1986 the Arizona Ridge-nosed Rattlesnake was chosen the state reptile. It is found in south central Arizona. It is brown or red-brown with pale or white striping. It has ridges along its nose.</p>
<p>State Metal</p> <p>In 2015 copper was chosen the state metal.</p>  <p>Fourth-grade students at Copper Creek School concluded the state metal should be copper. The star on Arizona's flag represents copper.</p>	<p>State Gemstone</p> <p>In 1974, Turquoise was chosen the state gemstone.</p>  <p>Turquoise can be found throughout the southwest. Arizona. More copper present results in a blue turquoise; more iron a green turquoise.</p>	 

Arizona

The Grand Canyon State

Color Arizona's State Symbols



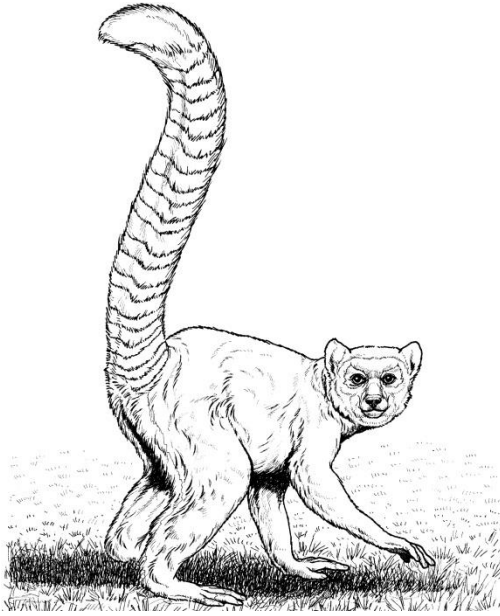
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Arizona State Tree: Palo Verde



Arizona State Flower: Saguaro Blossom



Arizona State Animal: Ringtail

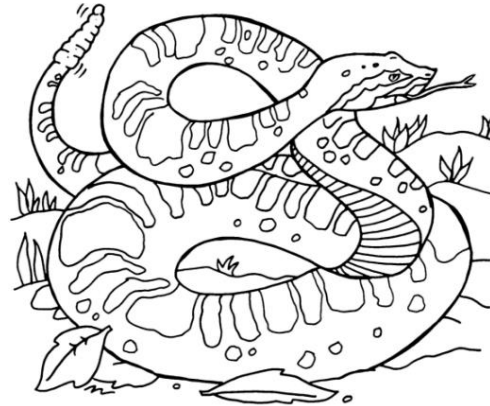
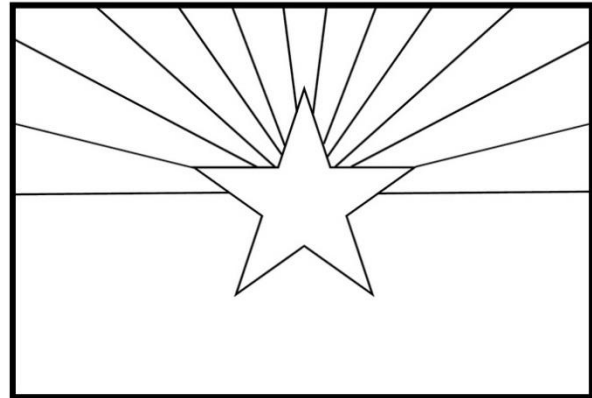


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Arizona State Reptile: Ridge-nosed Rattlesnake



Arizona 48th State



Arizona State Motto: *Ditat Dues* (God Enriches)

Origin of Name: From two Papago Indian words meaning "little spring" or "young spring."