

### State Bird



In 1926, the Cardinal was chosen the state bird. It is a native of the State of Kentucky.

### State Flower



In 1926, the Goldenrod was designated the state flower. It is a yellow flowering plant that blooms in late summer and early fall.

### State Tree



In 1994, the Tulip Poplar was chosen the state tree. It has a place in early Kentucky history. The wood was used for canoes, and as pipes in Mammoth Cave pits. It can grow up to 165 feet tall.

### State Fish

In 1956, the Kentucky Spotted Bass was chosen as the state fish. A sporting fish acclaimed for its gameness and fighting qualities.



### State Horse

In 1997, the Thoroughbred was designated the state horse. It is a horse breed best known for its use in horse racing. Central Kentucky's Bluegrass Region has the world's greatest concentration of thoroughbred breeding farms.



### State Wild Animal Game

In 1968, the Gray Squirrel was designated the state wild animal game. It has predominantly gray fur with a white underside and a large bushy tail.



### State Mineral

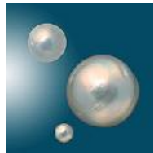
In 1998, Coal was adopted as the state mineral. Kentucky is one of the top three producers of coal in the United States



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### State Gemstone

In 1986, the Freshwater Pearl was adopted as the state gemstone. Freshwater pearls are formed in freshwater mussels in the rivers in Kentucky. The pearls have an irregular form and a wide range of color.



# Kentucky

The Bluegrass State

# Color Kentucky's State Symbols



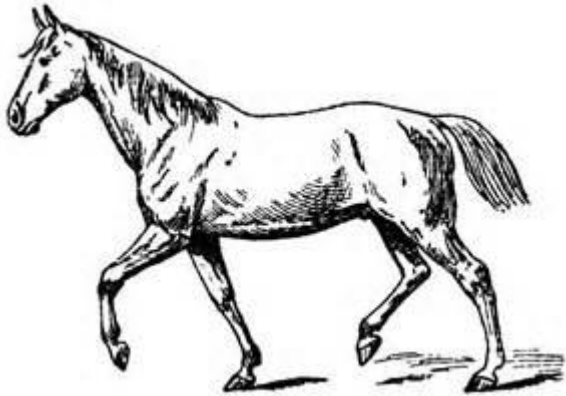
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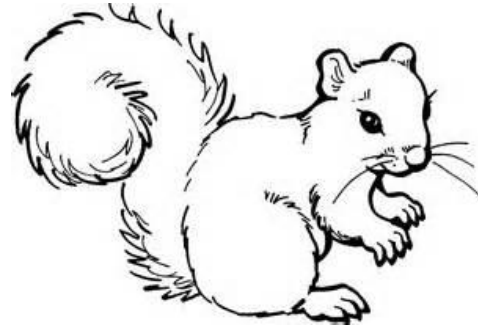
Kentucky State Tree: Tulip Poplar



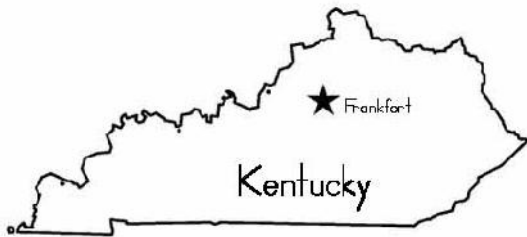
Kentucky State Flower: Goldenrod



Kentucky State Animal: Thoroughbred



Kentucky Wild Animal Game Species:  
Gray Squirrel



Kentucky 15th State



Kentucky State Motto: United We Stand, Divided We Fall.

Origin of Name: From an Iroquoian word "Ken-tah-ten" meaning "land of tomorrow".