

State Bird In 1931, the American Robin

(Turdus migratorius) was chosen the state bird. The Michigan Audubon favored it. The American Robin is very well known and popular in Michigan.

State Flower

In 1897, the Apple Blossom (Pyrus

coronaria) was designated the state flower. It is native to the state and is most fragrant and beautiful.

State Tree



In 1955, the towering White Pine was chosen the state tree. It is a symbol of one of Michigan's greatest

industries, lumbering.
From 1870 to the early 1900s,
Michigan led the nation in lumber
production.

State Fish

In 1988, the Legislature specified the Brook Trout (Salelinus fontinalis) as the state fish. It is



native to Michigan and found

throughout the state.

State Animal

In 1997, the White-Tailed Deer (Odocoileus virginianus) was designated the state game animal.



They range through out and

are found in every county in Michigan.

State Reptile

In 1995, the Painted Turtle

(Chyse mys picta) was



designated the state reptile.

It was chosen due to the efforts of fifth grade students in Niles when they discovered that Michigan did not have a state reptile.

State Stone

In 1965, the Petoskey Stone (Hexagonaria pericarnata) was



adopted as the state stone.

Petoskey stone is fossilized corral and are found only in Michigan.

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State Gemstone

In 1972, Chlorastrolite (green



star stone) also known as the Royale greenstone was adopted as the

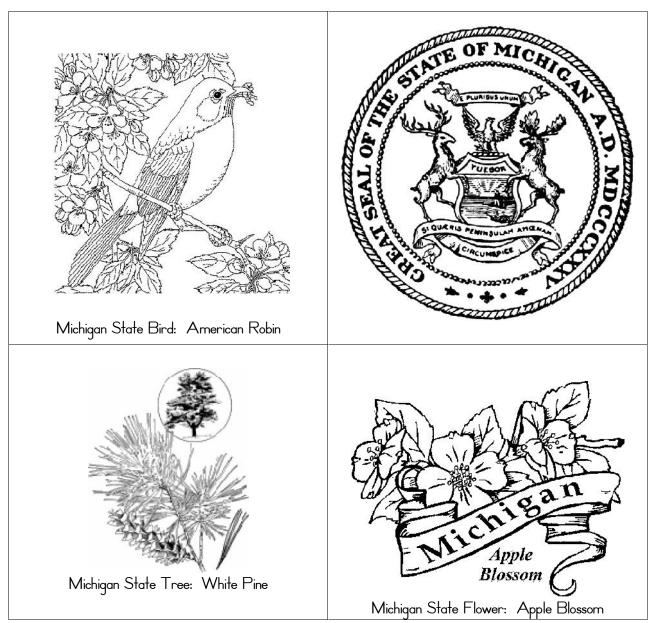
state gem. Royale greenstones are primarily found in the Upper Peninsula and range in color from yellow-green to almost black.



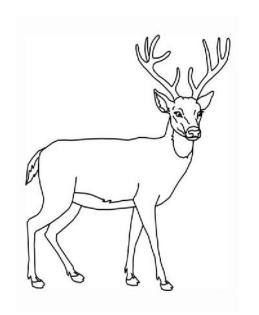




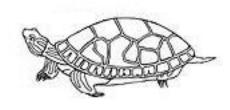
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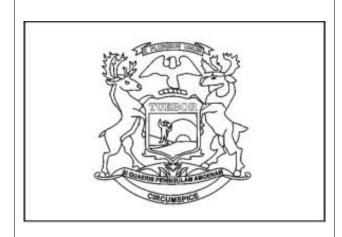
Michigan State Animal: White-Tailed Deer



Michigan State Reptile: Painted Turtle







Michigan 26th State

Michigan State Motto: Si quaeris peninsulam amoenam, circumspice If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look about you.

Origin of Name: From Chippewa words mici gama, meaning "great water," after the lake of the same name.