

State Bird



In 1947, the **Western Meadowlark** was chosen as the state bird. The Western Meadowlark's yellow throat extends slightly onto its face.

State Flower



In 1907, the **Wild Prairie Rose** was designated the state flower. It grows wild along roadsides and in pastures all over North Dakota.

State Trees

In 1947, the **American Elm** was chosen as the state tree. It is a common tree found across the State.



State Fish

In 1969, the **Northern Pike** was designated the state fish. It can reach a length of four feet.



State Honorary Equine



In 1993, the **Nokota Horse** was designated the state marine honorary equine. Nokota horses live in the badlands of southwestern North Dakota.

State Insect



In 2011, the **Green Lady Beetle (ladybug)** was designated the state insect.

Second-grade students from Kenmare Elementary were instrumental in passing the legislation. They wrote to their state legislators about establishing an official state insect.

State Fruit



In 2007 **Chokecherry** was adopted as the state fruit. It grows wild in all parts of North Dakota.

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State Fossil

In 1967, the **Teredo-Bored Petrified Wood** was adopted the state fossil.

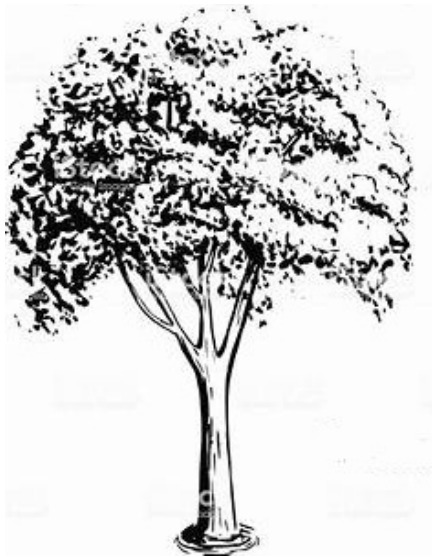
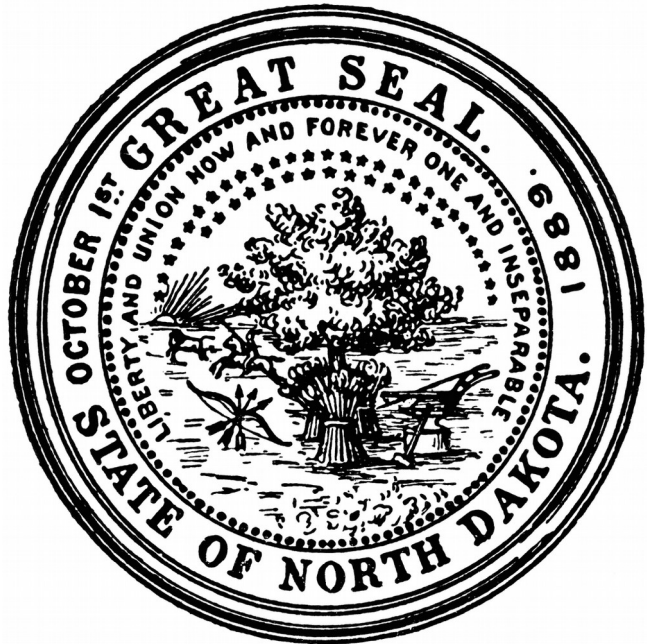
The Teredo was a worm-shaped mollusk related to modern clams, mussels, and oysters. It burrowed through trees growing near swamps in North Dakota.



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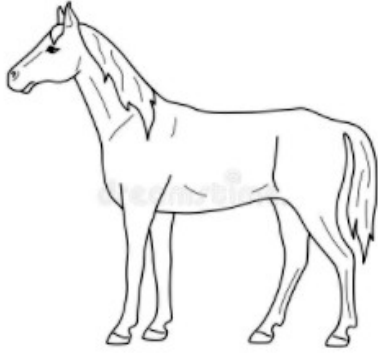


North Dakota State Tree: American Elm



Wild Prairie Rose

North Dakota State Flower: Wild Prairie Rose



North Dakota State Honorary Equine: Nokoto Horse



North Dakota State Insect: Lady Beetle (ladybug)



North Dakota 39th State

North Dakota State Motto: 'Liberty and union, now and forever: one and inseparable'

Origin of Name: From the Dakota or Sioux tribe, meaning 'allies' or 'friends'.

