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## States \& Capitals



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Inside, you will LEARN MORE about all 50 states. Each page includes state birthdays, state nicknames, state tree, state bird, state flower, fun facts \& more!

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# The First State 




$2^{\text {nd }}$ State to join the Union on December 12, 1787.

## Fun Facts:

Pennsylvania is where the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were debated and signed.

Pennsylvania is the only one of the original 13 colonies that does not border the Atlantic Ocean.

Harrisburg began as a trading post around 1718.

# The Keystone State 



Eastern
Hemlock

State Bird


Ruffed Grouse

State Capital


Harrisburg

State Flower


Mountain-Laurel

State Mammal


White-Tailed Deer


## Fun Facts:

New Jersey has the highest population density in the US, making it the most crowded.

New Jersey is known as the "Diner Capital of the World"', with about 500 diners throughout the state.

3rd State to join the Union on December 18, 1787.

Trenton hosted the first professional basketball game in 1896.

## The Garden State



Trenton


## Fun Facts:

Georgia is home to one of the oldest state parks in the country Indian Springs State Park.

In 1945, Georgia became the first state to change the legal age to vote from 21 to 18.

The capitol building is gilded with 43 ounces of locally mined gold.
$4^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on January 2, 1788.

## The Peach State




$5^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on January 9, 1788.

## Fun Facts:

Connecticut is home to Scoville Memorial Library - the first publicly funded library in the US.

The world's first nuclear powered submarine was built in Connecticut.

The Hartford Courant is the oldest continuously published newspaper in the US.

## The Constitution State



White Oak


American Robin


Hartford


## The Bay State



American Elm

State Bird


Black-Capped Chickadee


Boston

State Flower


Mayflower

State Insect


Ladybug
Boston



## Fun Facts:

Maryland is often referred to as "America in Miniature" due to the variety in its terrain.

Maryland is one of two states that gave up some of its land to help form the Nation's capital in 1790.
$7^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on April 28, 1788.

Annapolis once served as the capital of the US (1783-1784).

## The Old Line State



White Oak

State Bird


Baltimore Oriole

State Capital


Annapolis

State Flower


Black-Eyed Susan

State Butterfly


Baltimore Checkerspot


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$8^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on May 23, 1788.

## Fun Facts:

The word Carolina comes from the Latin word Carolus which translates to Charles.

South Carolina is home to Morgan Island (AKA Monkey Island) which is uninhabited by people and has about 4,000 monkeys.

Columbia is the first US city named after Christopher Columbus.

## The Palmetto State




CONCORD

$9^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on June 21, 1788.

## Fun Facts:

New Hampshire was originally named North Virginia.

New Hampshire has the shortest coastline of any coastal state in the U.S. - Only about 18 miles.

In 1787, the alarm clock was invented in Concord by Levi Hutchins.

## The Granite State



Paper Birch

State Bird


Purple Finch

State Capital


Concord

State Flower


Purple Lilac

State Insect


Ladybug


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$10^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on June 25, 1788.

## Fun Facts:

Virginia is the birthplace of 8 US presidents! That's more than any other state.

Virginia is home to the first English settlement in the US - Jamestown.

Richmond entered the 20th century with one of the world's first successful electric streetcar systems.

## Old Dominion




## The Empire State



Albany


$12^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on November 21, 1789.

## Fun Facts:

North and South Carolina were originally one territory.

In 1903, the Wright brothers completed the first successful powered airplane flight in NC.

Raleigh is known as the "City of Oaks" due to the vast number of Oak Trees that line the streets.

## The Tar Heel State



Pine

State Bird


Northern Cardinal


Raleigh

State Flower


Flowering
Dogwood

State Insect


Honeybee
Ge
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$13^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on May 29, 1790.

## Fun Facts:

Rhode Island is the smallest U.S. state by area.

All Rhode Island residents are within about 30 miles of the water.

Providence is the most populous city in Rhode Island.

## Little Rhodie



Red Maple

State Bird


Rhode Island Red


Providence

State Flower


Common Blue Violet

State Mammal


Harbor Seal


$14^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on March 4, 1791.

## Fun Facts:

Vermont is the largest producer of maple syrup in the US, with about 2.5 million gallons a year!

Vermont was the first state to join the Union after the 13 colonies.

Montpelier is the least populated capital city in the US with only about 8,000 residents.

# The Green Mountain State 



Sugar Maple


Hermit Thrush

State Capital


Montpelier

State Flower


Red Clover

State Mammal


Morgan Horse


$15^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on June 1, 1792.

## Fun Facts:

Kentucky is home to the world's longest cave system - Mammoth Cave National Park.

October $19^{\text {th }}$ is National Kentucky Day.

Frankfort is home to the Kentucky First Lady Doll Collection, located inside the Capitol building.

## The Bluegrass State



Tulip Tree

State Bird


Cardinal

State Capital


Frankfort

State Flower


Giant Goldenrod

State Mammal


Gray Squirrel


$16^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on June 1, 1796.

## Fun Facts:

Tennessee is tied with Missouri for having the most neighbors. Each borders 8 other states.

If you go to Lookout Mountain, you can see seven of those states.

President James K. Polk is buried on the grounds of the Capitol Building in Nashville.

# The Volunteer State 



Tulip Tree

State Bird


Mockingbird

State Capital


Nashville

State Flower


Irises

State Mammal


Raccoon


Ohio is the birthplace of 7 US presidents - Grant, Hayes, Garfield, Harrison, McKinley, Taft \& Harding.

Ohio was the first US state to use police cars (wagons).
$50 \%$ of the US lives within a 500 -mile radius of Columbus.
$17^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on March 1, 1803.

## Fun Facts:

## The Buckeye State

| State Tree | State Bird | State Capital | State Flower | State Mammal |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Ohio Buckeye | Cardinal | Columbus | Carnation | White-Tailed Deer |



$18^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on April 30, 1812.

## Fun Facts:

Lovisiand is home to the world's longest bridge over water - Lake Pontchartrain Causeway which is 24 miles long.

Louisiana is known as the
birthplace of jazz.
The Capitol building is the tallest in the U.S., standing at 450 feet.

## The Pelican State



Bald Cypress

State Bird


Eastern Brown Pelican

State Capital


Baton Rouge

State Flower


Magnolia

State Butterfly


Gulf Fritillary

# Baton Rouge 



ANAPOLIS


19 th State to join the Union on December 11, 1816.

## Fun Facts:

Indiana means "Land of Indians". There are over 12 Native American tribes that contribute to Indiana's history.

Indiana is the world's largest producer of popcorn.

Indianapolis was not the original capital. Until 1825, Corydon was the capital of Indiana.

# The Hoosier State 




## The Magnolia State


Jackson


$21^{\text {st }}$ State to join the Union on December 3, 1818.

## Fun Facts:

Softball got it's start in Illinois, beginning as a sport called "indoor baseball".

Illinois is where the world's first modern skyscraper was built in 1885.

Illinois has had six capitol buildings.
The current one resides in
Springfield.

# The Prairie State 



Springfield


TGOMER

$22^{\text {nd }}$ State to join the Union on December 14, 1819.

## Fun Facts:

The first rocket to put man on
the moon was built in Alabama.

Alabama means "Tribal Town" in the Creek Indian language.

Montgomery is where the civil rights movement began in 1955 when Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat on a segregated bus.

## The Yellowhammer State



Longleaf Pine


Northern Flicker

State Capital


Montgomery

State Flower


Camellia

State Mammal


Black Bear


GUSTA


23rd State to join the Union on March 15, 1820.

## Fun Facts:

Maine is the largest lobster producing state in the US.

There are over 4,000 islands off the coast of Maine. Only 15 of those are populated year-round.

Augusta was not always the
capital. Portland held that title until 1827.

## The Pine Tree State

State Tree


Eastern White Pine

State Bird


Black-Capped Chickadee

State Capital


Augusta

State Flower


White Pinecone

State Mammal


Moose


$24^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on August 10, 1821.

## Fun Facts:

The word Missouri comes from a Native American word meaning "town of the large canoe"

The first successful parachute jump occurred in Missouri in 1912.

Jefferson City was named for the third president of the United States, Thomas Jefferson.

## The Show IMe State

State Tree


Flowering
Dogwood

State Bird


Eastern
Bluebird

State Capital


Jefferson City

State Flower


Hawthorn Blossom

State Mammal


Missouri Mule Jefferson Gity


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$25^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on June 15, 1836.

## Fun Facts:

Arkansas's state flag has 25 stars to symbolize it becoming the $25^{\text {th }}$ state.

Arkansas is home to one of only two diamond mining sites in the US.

Little Rock was named by French explorer Jean Baptiste Bernard after a small rock edging the river.

## The Wonder State



Loblolly Pine

State Bird


Northern Mockingbird


Little Rock

State Flower


Apple Blossom

State Insect


Honeybee


$26^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on January 26, 1837.

## Fun Facts:

Michigan has more miles of freshwater shoreline than any other state in the nation.

In 1879, the city of Detroit became the first ever city to use phone numbers.

Lansing was not Michigan's first capital. Detroit originally held that title.

## The Great Lakes State



Eastern White Pine


American Robin

State Capital


Lansing

Iansing


# The Sunshine State 



Palmetto


Mockingbird

State Capital State Flower


Tallahassee


Orange Blossom

State Shell


Horse Conch


$28^{\text {th }}$ State to join the Union on December 29, 1845.

## Fun Facts:

Texas has more counties (254) than any other state in America!

Want to go fast? Texas has the highest speed limit in the country. 85 miles per hour!

Austin has the largest urban bat population. Around 1.5 million bats live under the Congress Ave Bridge.

## The Lone Star State



Austin


## Fun Facts:

lowa is the only state bordered by two parallel major river systems The Mississippi and The Missouri.

The first electronic digital computer was invented in lowa.

The dome of the Capitol building contains approximately 100 ounces of $233 / 4$ karat gold.

29th State to join the Union on December 28, 1846.


$31^{\text {st }}$ State to join the Union on September 9, 1850.

## Fun Facts:

California is home to the world's largest tree. "General Sherman" is a Sequoia that stands 275 ft tall and is 36 ft in diameter.

California is the highest populated state in the US with approximately 39 million people.

Sacramento is known as America's Farm-to-Fork capital.

# The Golden State 




## Iand of 10,000 Lakes



Red Pine

State Bird


Loon

State Capital


St. Paul

State Flower


Showdy Lady's Slippers

State Butterfly


Monarch


# The Beaver State 

State Tree


Douglas Fir

State Bird State Capital


Western Meadowlark


Salem

State Flower


Oregon Grape

State Mammal


Beaver


## The Sunflower State




# The MLountain State 




## The Silver State



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37 th State to join the Union on March 1, 1867.

## Fun Facts:

Nebraska is known for it's farming and agricultural production. Nearly $92 \%$ of it's land is made up of farms and ranches.

Nebraska is home to the world's largest indoor rainforest - Lied Jungle located at the Henry Doorly Zoo.

Lincoln houses the world's largest collection of elephant skeletons.

# The Cornhusker State 



Eastern
Cottonwood

State Bird


Western Meadowlark

State Capital


Lincoln

State Flower


Goldenrod

State Mammal


White-Tailed Deer


## The Centennial State

State Tree


Blue Spruce

State Bird


Lark Bunting

State Capital


Denver

State Flower


Rocky Mountain Columbine

State Mammal


Bighorn Sheep



39th State to join the Union on November 2, 1889.

## Fun Facts:

Dakota comes from the Sioux Indian word for "friend".

North Dakota is home to the National Buffalo Museum which has a buffalo statue that stands 26 ft high and 45 ft long.

The Capitol building in Bismarck is the tallest building in the state.

## The Peace Garden State



American Elm

State Bird


Western Meadowlark


Bismarck

State Flower


Prairie Rose

State Mammal


Horse


## Fun Facts:

South Dakota is home to a mountain with the highest peak in the US east of the Rockies - Black Elk Peak (AKA - Harney Peak).

It is also home to Mount Rushmore - featuring the faces of four US presidents carved into it.
40 th State to join the Union on November 2, 1889.

Pierre was named after French fur trader Pierre Chouteau, Jr in 1880.

# The Mount Rushmore State 




# The Treasure State 




42nd State to join the Union on November 11, 1889.

## Fun Facts:

Washington is the only state to be named after a president. Can you guess which one?

Washington is home to several bridges made exclusively for squirrels. The first was made in 1963 and named "Nutty Narrows".

Olympia (nickname: Oly) is the $22^{\text {nd }}$ largest city in WA.

## The Fvergreen State




## Fun Facts:

Idaho is known as the Gem State because it produces 72 types of precious and semi-precious stones.

Idaho is home to Shoshone Falls which is about 45 ft taller than Niagara Falls.

The capitol building in Boise is heated by geothermal energy from the hot springs below.

43 rd state to join the Union on January 4, 1896.

# The Gem State 




C/EYENNE

$44^{\text {th }}$ state to join the Union on July 10, 1890.

## Fun Facts:

Wyoming is the least populated state with 578,000 people.

It was given its nickname, the Equality State, because it was the first state to give women the right to vote.

In the 1880's, Cheyenne was one of the wealthiest cities in the world due to its cattle industry and the Gold Rush.

## The Equality State

State Tree


Plains
Cottonwood


Western Meadowlark

State Capital


Cheyenne

State Flower


Indian
Paintbrush

State Mammal


Bison



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$46^{\text {th }}$ state to join the Union on November 16, 1907.

## Fun Facts:

Oklahoma is named the Sooner State because of people who tried to sneak in and make land claims "sooner" than they were allowed.

The first tornado warning occurred in Oklahoma in 1948.

Oklahoma City has one of the world's largest livestock markets.

# The Sooner State 



Redbud

State Bird


Scissor-Tailed Flycatcher


Oklahoma City

State Flower


Oklahoma Rose

State Mammal


Buffalo



47 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ state to join the Union on January 6, 1912.

## Fun Facts:

New Mexico is where the World's first nuclear bomb was detonated.

New Mexico is a bilingual state. Nearly $1 / 3$ of families in the state speak Spanish at home.

Santa Fe is the oldest capital city in the United States.

## Land of Enchantment



Pinyon Pine


Great Roadrunner

State Capital


Santa Fe

State Flower


Yucca

State Insect


Tarantula Hawk Wasp


# The Grand Canyon State 



Palo Verde


Cactus Wren


Phoenix

State Flower


Saguaro White Blossom

State Reptile


Rattle Snake



49'h state to join the Union on January 3, 1959.

## Fun Facts:

Alaska is the largest state in the US by area. It is larger than TX, CA \& MT combined!

There are a total of 240 days in Alaska that offer the chance to see the northern lights.

Juneau is the only U.S. capital that is inaccessible by car. You must take a plane or boat to get there.

## The Last Frontier



Sika Spruce


Willow
Ptarmigan
Willow
Ptarmigan

Juneau


Alpine Forget-Me-Not

State Dog


Alaskan
Malamute
Juneau


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$50^{\text {th }}$ state to join the Union on August 21, 1959.

## Fun Facts:

Hawaii is the only state in the US to have two official languages English and Hawaiian.

Hawaii's state fish is the
Humuhumunukunukuapuaa which means "triggerfish with a snout like a pig".

Honolulu is home to the only royal palace in the US - Iolani Palace.


Candlenut

State Bird


Nene

State Capital


Honolulu

State Flower


Yellow Hibiscus

State Mammal


Monk Seal

## New educational holiday!

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