




<p>State Bird</p>  <p>In 1929, the Western Meadowlark was chosen the state bird. A list of five birds where given to the schools in Nebraska. The Western Meadowlark received the most student votes.</p>	<p>State Flower</p>  <p>In 1895, the Goldenrod was chosen the state flower. It is a native plant to Nebraska and many species of goldenrod grow throughout the state.</p>	<p>State Tree</p>  <p>In 1972, the Cottonwood was chosen the state tree. It is associated with Nebraska history. Shoots were collected and planted by pioneers. Today, cottonwood trees grow throughout the state.</p>
<p>State Fish</p>  <p>In 1997 the Channel Catfish was chosen the state fish. It was declared the state fish by the Governor Ben Nelson. It is the most numerous catfish species in North America.</p>	<p>State Animal</p>  <p>In 1981, the White-tailed Deer was chosen the state animal. They are found in farmlands, bushy areas, and the woods of Nebraska.</p>	<p>State Insect</p>  <p>In 1975 the Honeybee was chosen the state insect. Honeybees play an important role in agriculture. Honey and beeswax production are industries in Nebraska.</p>
<p>State Rock</p>  <p>In 1967 Prairie Agate was chosen the state rock. It is a semi-precious stone that Nebraska has an abundance of, especially in the Oglala National Grassland.</p>	<p>State Gemstone</p>  <p>In 1967, Blue Chalcedony (blue agate) was chosen the state gemstone. A pale stone which sometimes has bands of blue and white. It is found in northwestern Nebraska.</p>	 

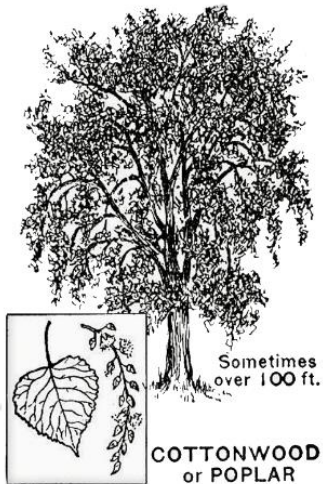
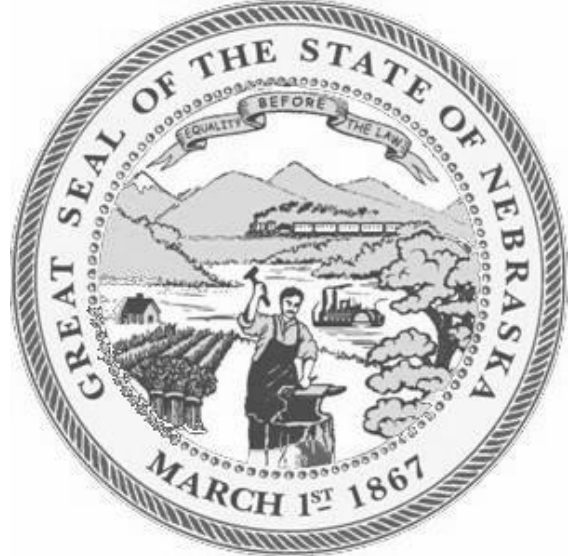
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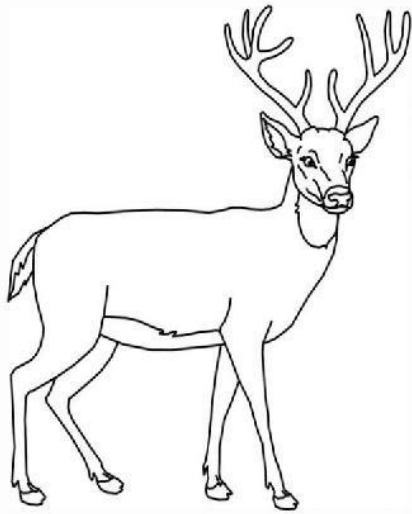
Nebraska State Bird: Western Meadowlark



Nebraska State Tree: Cottonwood



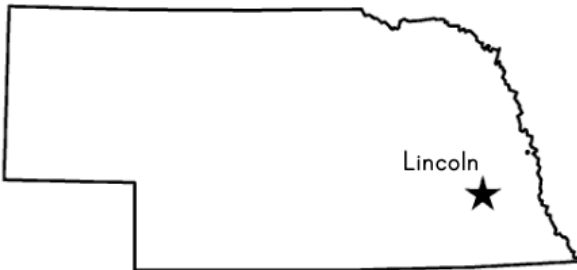
Nebraska State Flower: Goldenrod



Nebraska State Mammal: White-tailed Deer



Nebraska State Insect: Honeybee



Nebraska 37th State



Nebraska State Motto: Equality Before the Law
Origin of Name: From an Oto Indian word meaning flat water.