

Sample Species List

Mammals





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Birds

**Frogs
& Toads**

**Trees
& Shrubs**

Butterflies

Wildflowers

Reptiles

Insects

**Natural
Communities**

The Southwest Florida Water Management District (District) manages the water resources for west-central Florida as directed by state law. The goal of the District is to meet the needs of current and future water users while protecting and preserving the water resources within its boundaries.

Through its efforts to protect water resources, the District buys and manages land. As a result, plants and animals that live on these lands are also protected and the public can enjoy recreational and educational activities in the great outdoors.

Every year approximately 2.5 million people visit the more than 325,000 acres of public conservation lands acquired by the District and its partners to protect the region's water resources. The District provides opportunities for these recreational activities to highlight the uniqueness of conservation lands while protecting the natural resources that make them such great places to visit. The lands are open to the public for activities such as hiking, bicycling, hunting, horseback riding, fishing, camping, nature study and picnicking. Many District lands also have facilities that are universally accessible for the mobility-impaired. Each of the areas owned by the District offers something special. Learning as much as possible about what is special before you visit a park/management area allows you to gain an appreciation for what you are likely to experience. These species guides highlight common habitats, plants and animals found on District conservation lands.

For additional information on District lands, order or download our *Recreation Guide to Southwest Florida Water Management District Lands* at WaterMatters.org/recreation/. The property descriptions included in the recreation guide convey basic information about each property, such as location, access and parking, hours of operation, restroom and water availability, recreational opportunities, and contact numbers. You can also contact the District's Land Use and Protection Section at (352) 796-7211, ext. 4470, or via email at Recreation@WaterMatters.org.

Southwest Florida
Water Management District



CONSERVATION LANDS

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Virginia Opossum
Didelphis virginiana



Brazilian Free-Tailed Bat
Tadarida brasiliensis



Big Brown Bat
Eptesicus fuscus



Nine-Banded Armadillo
Dasypus novemcinctus



Eastern Cottontail
Sylvilagus floridanus



Marsh Rabbit
Sylvilagus palustris



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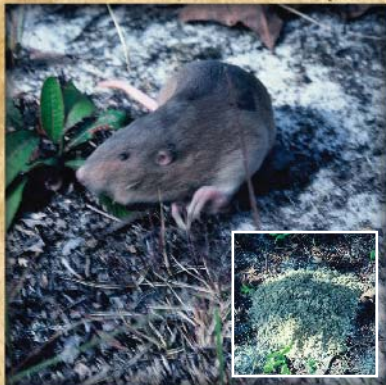
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Eastern Gray Squirrel
Sciurus carolinensis



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Sherman's Fox Squirrel
Sciurus niger shermani



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Southeastern Pocket Gopher
Geomys pinetis



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Cotton Mouse
Peromyscus gossypinus



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Hispid Cotton Rat
Sigmodon hispidus



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Coyote
Canis latrans



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Red Fox
Vulpes vulpes



Gray Fox
Urocyon cinereoargenteus



Black Bear
Ursus americanus



Raccoon
Procyon lotor



River Otter
Lutra canadensis



Striped Skunk
Mephitis mephitis



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Cedar Breaks National Monument

Spotted Skunk
Spilogale putorius



front foot

hind foot



istock

Bobcat
Lynx rufus



front foot

hind foot



Ivey Surrency

Feral Pig
Sus scrofa



front foot

hind foot



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White-Tailed Deer
Odocoileus virginianus



front foot

hind foot