

# NEW YORK FUN FACTS

- Over 1,500,000 gallons of water per second go over Niagara Falls, which is one of the biggest waterfalls in the world.
- New York State has 62 counties and 62 cities, but there isn't a city in every county.
- New York has over 70,000 miles of rivers and streams.
- The Hudson River is the state's longest river at 306 miles.
- The first election for governor took place between Philip Schuyler and George Clinton in 1777. Clinton won and served as governor for the next 18 years.
- Albany became the state capital in 1797. Kingston was the first capital in 1777.
- Adirondack Park is larger than Yellowstone, Yosemite, Grand Canyon, and Glacier parks combined.

## State Fossil

The eurypterus remipes, a 420-million-year-old eurypterid, was chosen as the state fossil in 1984. The eurypterus was a sea scorpion.

## State Animal

The beaver was chosen as the state animal in 1975.

## State Insect

The ladybug was chosen as the state insect in 1989.

## State Bird

The bluebird was chosen as the state bird in 1970.

## State Gem

The garnet was chosen as the state gem in 1969.

## JUMBLE

The words below are all scrambled up. After reading these fun facts, can you figure them out?

1. R A G T E N

2. U R T O T

3. B Y N A L A

4. C K O N D A R A I D S

5. R I O N P O S C

6. L A B Y S E S M

7. K Y O S N E R

8. S T E W C E R H E S T

9. A Y B P A L O C S L

10. G N A P S I P N L E T T U R

## State Marine or Saltwater Fish

The striped bass was chosen as the state marine or saltwater fish in 2006.

## State Freshwater Fish

The brook trout was chosen as the state freshwater fish in 1975.

## State Shell

The bay scallop was chosen as the state shell in 1988.

## State Reptile

The common snapping turtle was chosen as the state reptile in 2006.

## WORD SEARCH

The following words are hiding in this puzzle:

Capitol, Assembly, Bill, Law, Speaker, Beaver, Sugar Maple, Bluebird, Ladybugs, Rose, Bass

L	A	D	Y	B	U	G	S	Q	R	N	B	T	W	B	N	R	K	Z	W
R	F	B	U	O	B	Z	U	B	D	O	B	Y	V	A	I	N	R	R	E
G	V	L	Z	B	L	T	G	N	U	J	J	Q	C	S	C	L	C	A	X
Q	Z	L	D	J	U	E	A	E	C	T	A	B	A	S	C	C	L	S	V
W	S	I	E	B	E	O	R	B	G	H	U	T	P	E	L	A	W	P	U
J	S	O	M	M	B	U	M	E	K	Y	J	Z	I	M	K	X	Z	E	V
G	J	I	R	N	I	E	A	A	J	O	Y	H	T	B	K	R	F	A	W
V	H	M	O	Z	R	G	P	V	M	N	Z	Z	O	L	U	P	V	K	H
G	S	W	S	J	D	G	L	E	N	C	G	E	L	Y	O	W	P	E	Y
X	S	R	E	Z	T	S	E	R	Y	Q	B	T	O	U	J	W	U	R	P

### State Bush

The lilac was chosen as the state bush in 2006.

### State Muffin

The apple muffin was chosen as the state muffin in 1987.

### State Drink

Milk was chosen as the state drink in 1981.



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# WHAT IS THE ASSEMBLY ?

The Assembly is part of the New York State Legislature. The Assembly has 150 members, who represent 150 different parts of New York State.

These areas are called districts. The Assembly passes bills and enacts laws that help people throughout the state of New York.

The Assembly meets in Albany every year for a legislative session. The room where the Assembly meets is called the Assembly Chamber – located in the New York State Capitol.

### State Tree

The sugar maple was chosen as the state tree in 1956.

### State Flower

The rose was chosen as the state flower in 1955.

### State Fruit

The apple was chosen as the state fruit in 1976.

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