

# 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, from 1777 until 1797.
- Adirondack Park is larger than Yellowstone, Yosemite, Grand Canyon, and Glacier parks combined.

## State Fossil

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

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