

# Part of knowing our state is understanding what makes it **special**.

Every scene found in this booklet contains a special state symbol of great importance associated with Pennsylvania history or which pays tribute to a native species or product of particular significance. Below is a reference guide to help you find the symbols on each page as well as Web site addresses you can use to get more information on any of the subjects featured within.

For more information about Pennsylvania's state symbols, go to [www.netstate.com/states/symb/pa\\_symb.htm](http://www.netstate.com/states/symb/pa_symb.htm).



**State Tree: Hemlock**  
For more information about William Penn, go to: [www.williampenn.org](http://www.williampenn.org)



**State Animal: Whitetail Deer**  
For more information about Daniel Boone, go to: [www.earlyamerica.com/lives/boone](http://www.earlyamerica.com/lives/boone)



**State Bird: Ruffed Grouse**  
For more information about George Washington, go to: [www.georgewashington.si.edu/kids](http://www.georgewashington.si.edu/kids)



**State Icon: Keystone**  
For more information about Betsy Ross, go to: [www.betsyross.org](http://www.betsyross.org)



**State Dog: Great Dane**  
For more information about Benjamin Franklin, go to: [www.imahero.com/herohistory/ben\\_herohistory.htm](http://www.imahero.com/herohistory/ben_herohistory.htm)



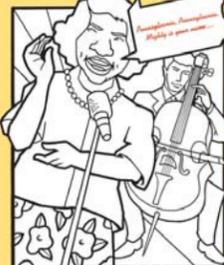
**State Insect: Firefly**  
For more information about The Underground Railroad, go to: [www.nationalgeographic.com/railroad](http://www.nationalgeographic.com/railroad)



**State Flag**  
For more information about Abraham Lincoln, go to: [www.imahero.com/herohistory/abe\\_herohistory.htm](http://www.imahero.com/herohistory/abe_herohistory.htm)



**State Fossil: Trilobite**  
For more information about Pennsylvania coal, go to: [www.explorepahistory.com/story.php?storyId=11](http://www.explorepahistory.com/story.php?storyId=11)



**State Song: Pennsylvania**  
For more information about Marian Anderson, go to: [www.mariananderson.org/bio](http://www.mariananderson.org/bio)



**State Electric Train: GGI 4859**  
For more information about Pennsylvania Industry, go to: [www.phmc.state.pa.us/bah/pahist/industry.asp?secid=31](http://www.phmc.state.pa.us/bah/pahist/industry.asp?secid=31)

Great moments in history ...

# PENNSYLVANIA



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The Office of the Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives  
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Three hundred years ago, it was known as Penn's Woods (Penn's Sylvania). And William Penn owned it all.



Berks County native son and frontier hero, Daniel Boone, blazed the trail for settlers moving west.



General George Washington—First in War, First in Peace, and First in the Hearts of His Countrymen—encamped at Valley Forge.



A symbol of liberty, freedom, and pride, Betsy Ross sewed the nation's first flag in Philadelphia.



One of the greatest Americans in history, Benjamin Franklin, helped write the Declaration of Independence in The City of Brotherly Love.



Bravehearted runaway slaves risked everything and sought their freedom by traveling north through Pennsylvania on the "Underground Railroad."



President Abraham Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg Address honoring the courageous men who fought to preserve the United States and abolish slavery.



Boys as young as eight years old often helped in the coal mines of northeastern Pennsylvania.



Philadelphia opera legend, Marian Anderson, had a voice "heard once in a hundred years."



Pennsylvania's rich resources and industrial strength helped build this great nation.