

**LIST OF AMPHIBIA AND REPTILIA  
OF THE WETLANDS CENTER PREMISES AND GALVESTON COUNTY  
IN PHYLOGENETIC ORDER BY ORDER**

CLASS AMPHIBIA - skin smooth or warty and never with epidermal scales; limbs lacking true claws. The young generally undergo metamorphosis from a larval form with gills to an air-breathing adult with lungs, and are dependent on aquatic environments during reproduction. Amphibians include the salamanders, caecilians, and frogs and toads.

CLASS REPTILIA - skin nearly always with epidermal scales; if lacking scales, skin leathery; limbs, if present, with claws. Unlike amphibians, development is direct and life cycles do include aquatic larvae. Reptiles include snakes, turtles, lizards, tuataras and the crocodilians.

This list does not note subspecies epithets and references names and phylogeny from *Standard Common and Current Scientific Names for North American Amphibians, Turtles, Reptiles and Crocodilians* (Collins and Taggart, 2009).

**CLASS AMPHIBIA**

**ORDER ANURA**

Woodhouse's toad - *Anaxyrus woodhousei*  
Blanchard's cricket frog - *Acris blanchardi*  
Cope's gray treefrog - *Hyla chrysoscelis*  
green treefrog - *Hyla cinerea*  
squirrel treefrog - *Hyla squirella*  
spotted chorus frog - *Pseudacris clarkii*  
spring peeper - *Pseudacris crucifer*  
upland chorus frog - *Pseudacris feriarum*  
Eastern narrowmouth toad - *Gastrophryne carolinensis*  
Great Plains narrowmouth toad - *Gastrophryne olivacea*  
Southern crawfish frog - *Lithobates areolatus*  
Bullfrog - *Lithobates catesbeianus*  
bronze frog - *Lithobates clamitans*  
Southern leopard frog - *Lithobates sphenoccephalus*  
Eastern spadefoot - *Scaphiopus holbrookii*

## ORDER CAUDATA

smallmouth salamander - *Ambystoma texanum*

central newt - *Notophthalmus viridescens*

lesser siren - *Siren intermedia*

## CLASS REPTILIA

### ORDER TESTUDINES

loggerhead - *Caretta caretta*

green Turtle - *Chelonia mydas*

hawksbill - *Eretmochelys imbricata*

Atlantic ridley sea turtle - *Lepidochelys kempii*

common snapping turtle - *Chelydra serpentina*

alligator snapping turtle - *Macrochelys temminckii*

Western chicken turtle - *Deirochelys reticularia*

diamondback terrapin - *Malaclemys terrapin*

Texas river cooter - *Pseudemys texana*

three-toed box turtle - *Terrapene carolina*

ornate box turtle - *Terrapene ornata*

red eared slider - *Trachemys scripta*

yellow mud turtle - *Kinosternon flavescens*

Mississippi mud turtle - *Kinosternon subrubrum*

common musk turtle - *Sternotherus odoratus*

pallid spiny softshell - *Apalone spinifera*

### ORDER CROCODYLIA

American alligator- *Alligator mississippiensis*

## ORDER SQUAMATA - SUBORDER SAURIA

Western slender glass lizard - *Ophisaurus attenuatus*  
Mediterranean house gecko - *Hemidactylus turcicus*  
Texas horned lizard - *Phrynosoma cornutum*  
Eastern fence lizard - *Sceloporus undulatus*  
green anole - *Anolis carolinensis*  
five-lined skink - *Plestiodon fasciatus*  
Southern prairie skink - *Plestiodon obtusirostris*  
ground skink - *Scincella lateralis*  
six-lined racerunner - *Aspidocelis sexlineatus*

## ORDER SQUAMATA - SUBORDER SERPENTES

yellowbelly racer - *Coluber constrictor*  
Louisiana milk snake - *Lampropeltis triangulum*  
prairie kingsnake - *Lampropeltis calligaster*  
speckled kingsnake - *Lampropeltis getula*  
western coachwhip - *Masticophis flagellum*  
rough green snake - *Opheodrys aestivus*  
western rat snake - *Scotophis obsoletus*  
flathead snake - *Tantilla gracilis*  
southern copperhead - *Agkistrodon contortrix*  
cottonmouth - *Agkistrodon piscivorus*  
western diamondback rattlesnake - *Crotalus atrox*  
canebrake rattlesnake - *Crotalus horridus*  
western pigmy rattlesnake - *Sistrurus miliarius*  
Mississippi ringneck snake - *Diadophis punctatus*  
Texas coral snake - *Micrurus tener*  
Texas blind snake - *Leptotyphlops dulcis*  
Gulf salt marsh snake - *Nerodia clarkii*  
Mississippi green water snake - *Nerodia cyclopion*  
blotched water snake - *Nerodia erythrogaster*  
broad-banded water snake - *Nerodia fasciata*  
diamondback water snake - *Nerodia rhombifera*  
Graham's crayfish snake - *Regina grahami*  
marsh brown snake - *Storeria dekayi*  
eastern garter snake - *Thamnophis sirtalis*

Gulf coast ribbon snake - *Thamnophis proximus*  
rough earth snake - *Virginia striatula*  
western mud snake - *Farancia abacura*  
dusty hognose snake *Heterodon nasicus*  
eastern hognose snake - *Heterodon platirhinos*