



# Threatened and Endangered Species



## South Florida National Parks:

Big Cypress National Preserve  
Biscayne National Park  
Dry Tortugas National Park  
Everglades National Park

There are many reasons why animals face extinction: habitat loss, disease, and pollution all fuel the loss of species. Perhaps nowhere on earth is human impact on other species more evident than in south Florida. The Endangered Species Act of 1973 has afforded some measure of protection and recognizes the aesthetic, educational, historic and scientific values for these species. It also allows for the classification of species as threatened or endangered and mandates legal protection for species so listed.

If you see any of the wildlife on this list or any species you believe is rare, please fill out a wildlife observation card at any visitor center.

## Threatened Species

The term threatened species means any species which is in danger of becoming endangered throughout its range.

### Wildlife:

SPECIES	BICY	BISC	DRTO	EVER
Caracara, Audubon's Crested <i>Polyborus aristodemus ponceanus</i>	*		*	*
Coral, Elkhorn <i>Acropora palmata</i>		X	X	
Coral, Staghorn <i>Acropora cervicornis</i>		X	X	
Crocodile, American <i>Crocodylus acutus</i>	*	X	*	X
Plover, Piping <i>Charadrius melodus</i>		X	X	X
Sea Turtle, Loggerhead <i>Caretta caretta</i>		X	X	X
Snake, Eastern Indigo <i>Drymarchon corais couperi</i>	X	X		X
Tern, Roseate <i>Sterna dougallii dougallii</i>			X	X

### Plants:

SPECIES	BICY	BISC	DRTO	EVER
Spurge, Garber's <i>Chamaesyce garberi</i>				X

\* indicates a casual visitor.

## Endangered Species

The term endangered species means any species which is in danger of extinction throughout its range.

### Wildlife:

SPECIES	BICY	BISC	DRTO	EVER
Butterfly, Schaus Swallowtail <i>Heraclides aristodemus ponceanus</i>		X		*
Kite, Everglades Snail <i>Rostrhamus sociabilis plumbeus</i>	X			X
Manatee, West Indian <i>Trichechus manatus</i>	X	X	*	X
Mouse, Key Largo Cotton <i>Peromyscus gossypinus allapaticola</i>		X		
Panther, Florida <i>Puma concolor coryi</i>	X	*		X
Sawfish, Smalltooth <i>Pristis pectinata</i>		X		X
Sea Turtle, Green <i>Chelonia mydas</i>		*	X	*
Sea Turtle, Hawksbill <i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>		X	X	*
Sea Turtle, Kemp's Ridley <i>Lepidochelys kempi</i>			*	*
Sea Turtle, Leatherback <i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>		X	*	*
Seal, Caribbean Monk <i>Monachus tropicalis</i>			**	
Sparrow, Cape Sable Seaside <i>Ammodramus maritimus mirabilis</i>	X			X
Sparrow, Florida Grasshopper <i>Ammodramus savannarum floridanus</i>		X		
Stork, Wood <i>Mycteria americana</i>	X	X		X
Whale, Finback <i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>		X	*	
Whale, Humpback <i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>		X	*	
Whale, Right <i>Balaena glacialis (incl. australis)</i>		X	*	
Woodpecker, Red-cockaded <i>Picoides borealis</i>	X			*
Woodrat, Key Largo <i>Neotoma floridana smalli</i>		X		

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\*\* Indicates extirpated.

# Candidate Species

Candidate species are likely to be added to the threatened or endangered list soon.

## Wildlife:

SPECIES	BICY	BISC	DRTO	EVER
<b>Butterfly, Bartram's hairstreak</b> <i>Strymon acis bartrami</i>				X
<b>Butterfly, Florida leafwing</b> <i>Anaea troglodyta floralis</i>				X
<b>Butterfly, Miami Blue</b> <i>Cyclargus (=Hemiargus) thomasi bethunebakeri</i>		X		**
<b>Knot, red</b> <i>Calidris canutus rufa</i>			*	

## Plants:

SPECIES	BICY	BISC	DRTO	EVER
<b>Silverbush, Blodgett's</b> <i>Argythamnia blodgettii</i>				X
<b>Thoroughwort, Cape Sable</b> <i>Chromolaena frustrata</i>				X
<b>Crabgrass, Everglades</b> <i>Digitaria pauciflora</i>	X			X
<b>Bully, Everglades</b> <i>Sideroxylon reclainatum ssp. austrofloridense</i>	X			X
<b>Clover, Florida Prairie</b> <i>Dalea cathagenensis var. floridana</i>	X			
<b>Sandmat, Pineland</b> <i>Chamaesyce deltoidea ssp. pinetorum</i>				X
<b>Cactus, Semaphore</b> <i>Opuntia corallicola</i>		X		

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