

Timber Rattle Snake (Potentially Dangerous)

Frogs

A frog is an amphibian. Adult frogs have long hind legs, a short body, webbed hands and no tail. Most frogs have a semi-aquatic lifestyle, meaning that they spend part of their life in water. Baby frogs or tadpoles are born from eggs in the water.

Snakes

A **snake** is a long, scaly, limbless reptile that periodically sheds its skin. All snakes are carnivorous meaning that they eat other animals but instead of chewing their food they swallow it whole.

Turtles

Turtles are also reptiles. They carry a special, bony shell on their back to protect their entire body. If threatened some turtles can retreat completely within their shell. Turtles are one of the oldest living reptile groups on the planet.

Mark down one point for each check you have. Tally up your score below and see how well you did at spotting the reptiles and amphibians of Hagerman.

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Wildlife Viewing Guide

HAGERMAN NATIONAL

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REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS

Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge is protects not only birds but also a variety of other animals native to Texoma, including local reptiles and amphibians.

As you enjoy the refuge today check off all of the commonly seen animals pictured below. Take notice of their color and shape and where you find them. Many reptiles and amphibians resemble the grass and plants. Try to spot as many as possible, but be careful some of the animals are potentially dangerous.

Turtles, frogs and some snakes can be found along the edge of lakes and ponds, including Deaver Pond and Picnic Pond. Toads and other snakes prefer wooded areas.

Have fun and enjoy viewing the reptiles and amphibians of Hagerman!



American Bullfrog

REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS of Hagerman



Tree Frog



Alligator Snapper (Potentially Dangerous)



Western Ribbon Snake



Red-ear Slider



Snapping Turtle (Potentially Dangerous)



Western Cottonmouth (Potentially Dangerous)



Three-toed Box Turtle



Great Plains Rat Snake