NOTE

Names of reptiles and amphibians taken from "A Field Guide to Reptiles and Amphibians of Eastern North America" by Roger Conant (Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston 1958). Names of fishes taken from "A List of Common and Scientific Names of Fishes from the United States and Canada" (American Fisheries Society, Box 483, McLean, Virginia, 1960).

Okefenokee Swamp, a 412,000-acre peat-filled bog in Ware, Charlton, and Clinch Counties, Georgia, and Baker County, Florida, is one of the nation's great unspoiled areas. Although a considerable amount of timber has been harvested here in past years, most of this great swamp is still little different from what it was when first seen by white men. About four-fifths of the swamp is included in the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, which is administered by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, in the Department of the Interior.

Except for some fifty islands which total about 25,000 acres, Okefenokee Swamp is usually shallowly flooded. Most of the flooded area is more or less densely forested with cypress, blackgum, bay, and maple, with an understory and interspersal of a variety of heaths, smilax, titi, and cassena. About 60,000 acres is flooded marshland or "prairie," which is covered principally with waterlilies, neverwet, pipewort, ferns, maidencane, and a variety of sedges and grasses.

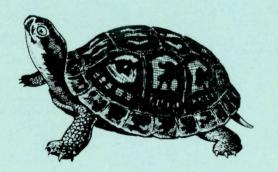
Open water areas are the water courses, the prairie lakes, smaller prairie ponds known as 'gator holes, the twelve-mile-long Suwannee Canal which was dug in 1891-2, and the borrow pit of the Suwannee River Sill, which was constructed in 1958.

The islands and the adjacent upland on the periphery of the swamp are usually covered by pine forests.

This variety of wooded swamp, prairies, lakes, water courses, islands, and pine barrens supports a varied fauna. The following list of reptiles, amphibians, and fishes is based on specimens collected or reliably reported.

Most of the species listed are supported by specimens which are now in the United States National Museum or in the museums at Cornell University and the University of Michigan.

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REPTILES AMPHIBIANS AND FISHES OF OKEFENOKEE



A CHECK LIST OF ANIMALS LIVING IN AND AROUND THE OKEFENOKEE SWAMP ON THE OKEFENOKEE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

NOTES

REPTILES

Crocodilians American Alligator

Turtles

Snapping Turtles Alligator Snapping Turtle Loggerhead Musk Turtle Striped Mud Turtle Eastern Mud Turtle Eastern Mod Turtle Gulf Coast Box Turtle Gulf Coast Box Turtle Florida Cooter Eastern Chicken Turtle Gopher Tortoise Florida Softshell Turtle

Lizards

Green Anole Southern Fence Lizard Six-lined Racerunner Ground Skink Five-lined Skink Broad-headed Skink Southeastern Five-lined Skink Georgia Red-tailed Skink Eastern Glass Snake Island Glass Snake

Snakes

Florida Green Water Snake **Brown Water Snake Red-bellied Water Snake Banded Water Snake** Florida Water Snake **Glossy Water Snake** North Florida Swamp Snake Florida Brown Snake Florida Red-bellied Snake Eastern Garter Snake Southern Ribbon Snake **Rough Earth Snake Eastern Earth Snake** Striped Swamp Snake Eastern Hognose Snake Southern Ringneck Snake **Rainbow Snake** Mud Snake Southern Black Racer Eastern Coachwhip **Rough Green Snake** Eastern Indigo Snake Corn Snake Yellow Rat Snake Gray Rat Snake Florida Pine Snake Eastern Kingsnake Scarlet Kingsnake **Scarlet Snake**

Alligator mississipiensis

Chelydra serpentina serpentina Macroclemys temmincki Sternothaerus minor minor Kinosternon bauri palmarum Kinosternon subrubrum subrubrum Clemmys guttata Terrapene carolina carolina Terrapene carolina major Pseudemys scripta scripta Pseudemys floridana floridana Dierochelys reticularia reticularia Gopherus polyphemus Trionyx ferox

Anolis carolinensis carolinensis Sceloporus undulatus undulatus Cnemidophorus sexlineatus Lygosoma laterale Eumeces fasciatus Eumeces laticeps Eumeces inexpectatus Eumeces egregius similis Ophisaurus ventralis Ophisaurus compressus

Natrix cyclopion floridana Natrix taxispilota Natrix erythrogaster erythrogaster Natrix sipedon fasciata Natrix sipedon pictiventris Natrix rigida Seminatrix pygaea pygaea Storeria dekayi victa Storeria occipitomaculata obscura Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis Thamnophis sauritus sackeni Haldea striatula Haldea valeriae valeriae** Liodytes alleni Heterodon platyrhinos Diadophis punctatus punctatus Abastor erythrogrammus** Farancia abacura Coluber constrictor priapus Masticophis flagellum flagellum **Opheodrys** aestivus Drymarchon corais couperi Elaphe guttata guttata Elaphe obsoleta quadrivittata Elaphe obsoleta spiloides Pituophis melanoleucus mugitus Lampropeltis getulus getulus Lampropeltis doliata doliata Cemophora coccinea

Eastern Coral Snake Eastern Cottonmouth Dusky Pigmy Rattlesnake Canebrake Rattlesnake Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake Micrurus fulvius fulvius Agkistrodon piscivorus piscivorus Sistrurus miliarius barbouri Crotalus horridus atricaudatus Crotalus adamanteus

AMPHIBIANS

Salamanders Greater Siren Eastern Lesser Siren Broad-striped Dwarf Siren Two-toed Amphiuma Frosted Flatwoods Salamander Central Newt Striped Newt Southern Dusky Salamander Slimy Salamander Rusty Mud Salamander Dwarf Salamander

Frogs and Toads Eastern Spadefood Toad Southern Toad Oak Toad Southern Cricket Frog Southern Spring Peeper Green Treefrog Pine Woods Treefrog Squirrel Treefrog Eastern Gray Treefrog **Barking Treefrog** Little Grass Frog Southern Chorus Frog **Ornate Chorus Frog** Eastern Narrow-mouthed Frog Bullfrog **River Frog** Pig Frog **Carpenter Frog Bronze** Frog Southern Leopard Frog Florida Gopher Frog

Siren lacertina Siren intermedia intermedia Pseudobranchus striatus striatus Amphiuma means means Ambystoma cingulatum cingulatum Diemictylus viridescens louisianensis Diemictylus perstriatus Desmognathus fuscus auriculatus Plethodon glutinosus glutinosus Pseudotriton montanus floridanus Manculus guadridigitatus

Scaphiopus holbrooki **Bufo terrestris Bufo quercicus** Acris gryllus gryllus Hyla crucifer bartramiana Hyla cinerea cinerea Hyla femoralis Hyla squirella Hyla versicolor versicolor** Hyla gratiosa Hyla ocularis Pseudacris nigrita nigrita Pseudacris ornata** Gastrophryne carolinensis Rana catesbeiana** Rana heckscheri Rana arvlio Rana virgatipes Rana clamitans clamitans Rana pipiens sphenocephala Rana areolata aesopus



FISHES

Bowfin Eastern Mudminnow **Redfin Pickerel** Chain Pickerel Lake Chubsucker Spotted Sucker Yellow Bullhead Brown Bullhead Tadpole Madtom American Eel Golden Topminnow **Banded Topminnow** Starhead Topminnow Mosquitofish **Pygmy Killifish Pirate Perch** Mud Sunfish Flier Warmouth **Everglades Pygmy Sunfish** Okefenokee Pygmy Sunfish Blackbanded Sunfish **Bluespotted Sunfish Banded Sunfish Redbreast Sunfish** Bluegill **Dollar Sunfish** Spotted Sunfish Largemouth Bass **Black Crappie** Scalyhead Darter Swamp Darter **Brook Silverside**

Florida Gar

Lepisosteus platyrhincus Amia calva Umbra pyamaea Esox americanus americanus Esox niger Erimyzon sucetta Minytrema melanops Ictalurus natalis Ictalurus nebulosus Noturus gyrinus Anguilla rostrata Fundulus chrysotus Fundulus cingulatus Fundulus notti Gambusia affinis Leptolucania ommata Aphredoderus sayanus Acantharchus pomotis Centrarchus macropterus Chaenobryttus gulosus Elassoma everaladei Elassoma okefenokee Enneacanthus chaetodon Enneacanthus gloriosus Enneacanthus obesus Lepomis auritus Lepomis macrochirus Lepomis marginatus Lepomis punctatus Micropterus salmoides Pomoxis nigromaculatus Etheostoma barratti Ethesotoma fusiforme

Labidesthes sicculus