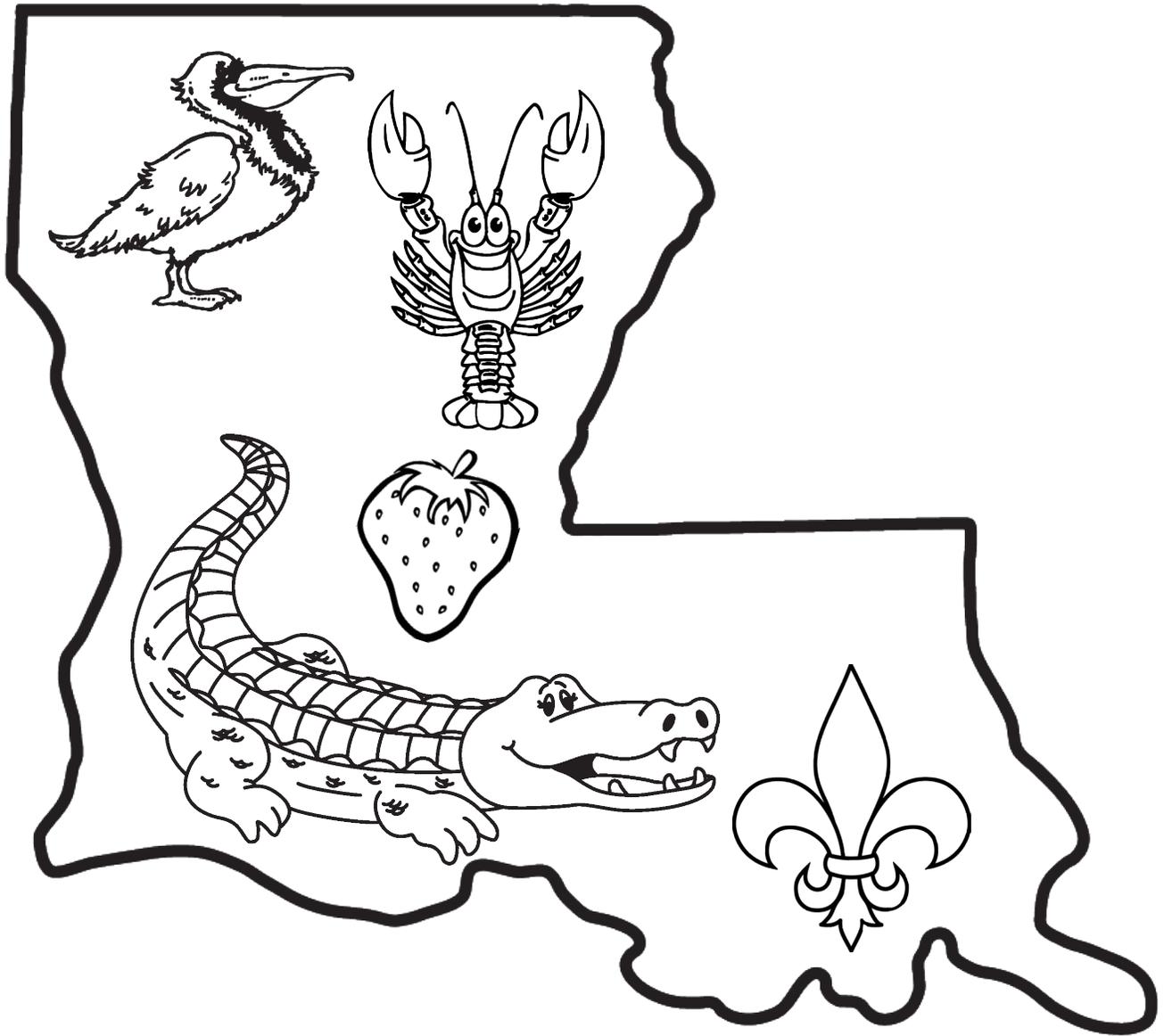


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## A Colorful State



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# Mementos of My Visit to the State Capitol

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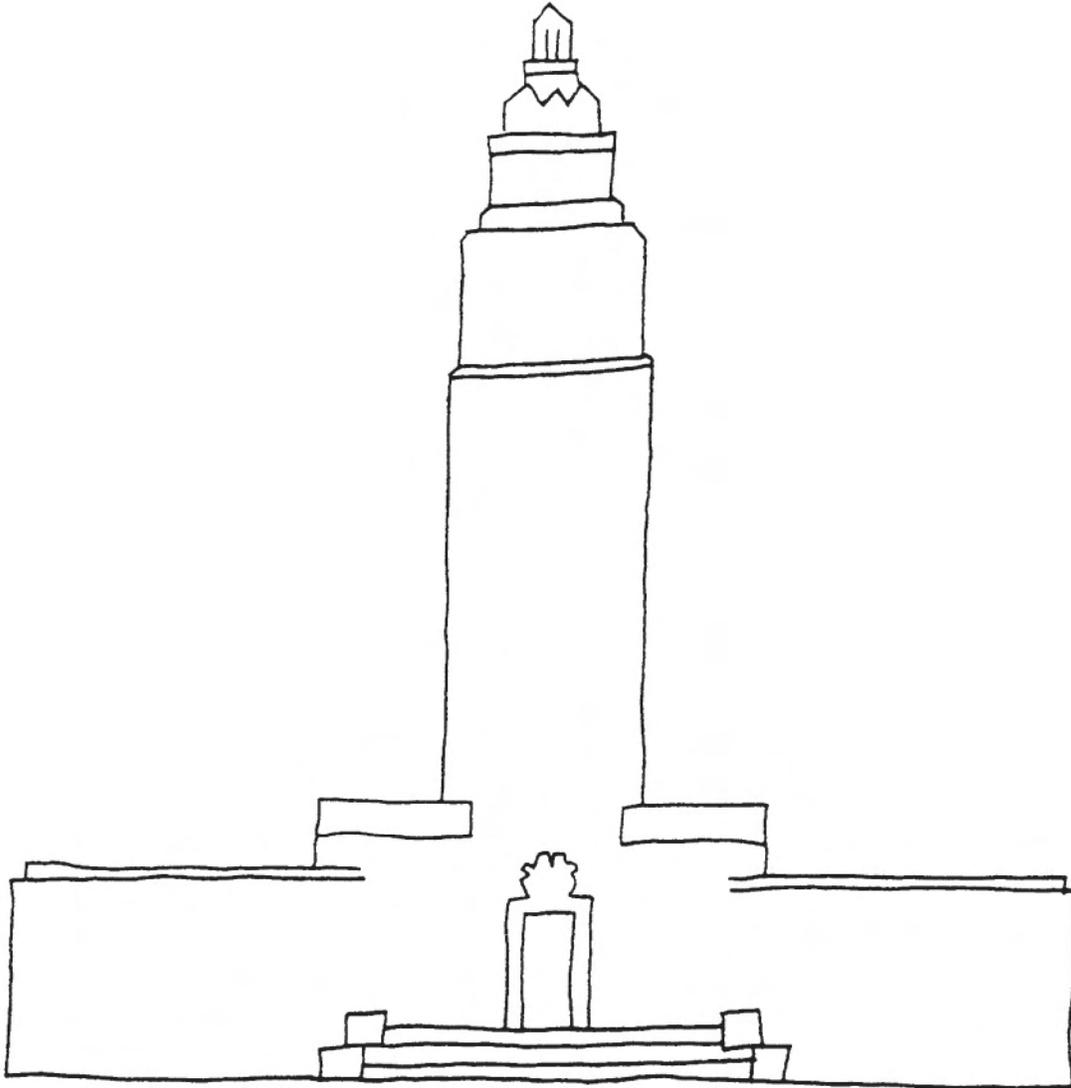
## Can you Recognize our State's Leaders?

Autographs of those I saw at the Capitol:

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# State Capitol



The "new" State Capitol was built in 1932. It cost 5 million dollars to build and took 14 months to finish. It is 34 stories tall and sits on 27 acres of land.



**Louisiana has 64 parishes. All other states call them counties. Can you find your parish?**



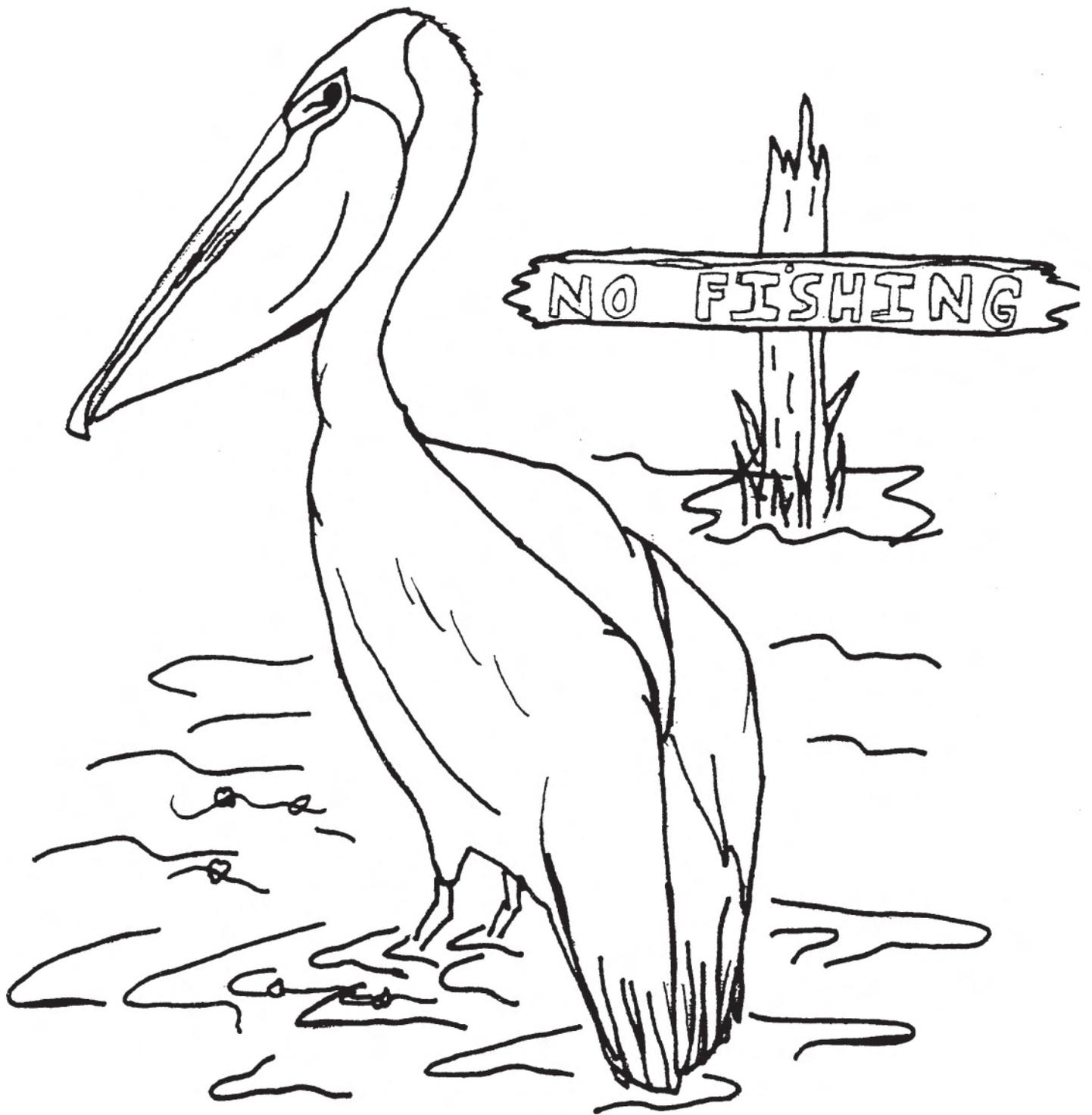
**10 different flags have flown over Louisiana. The state flag we have now was adopted in 1912 and redesigned in 2010.**



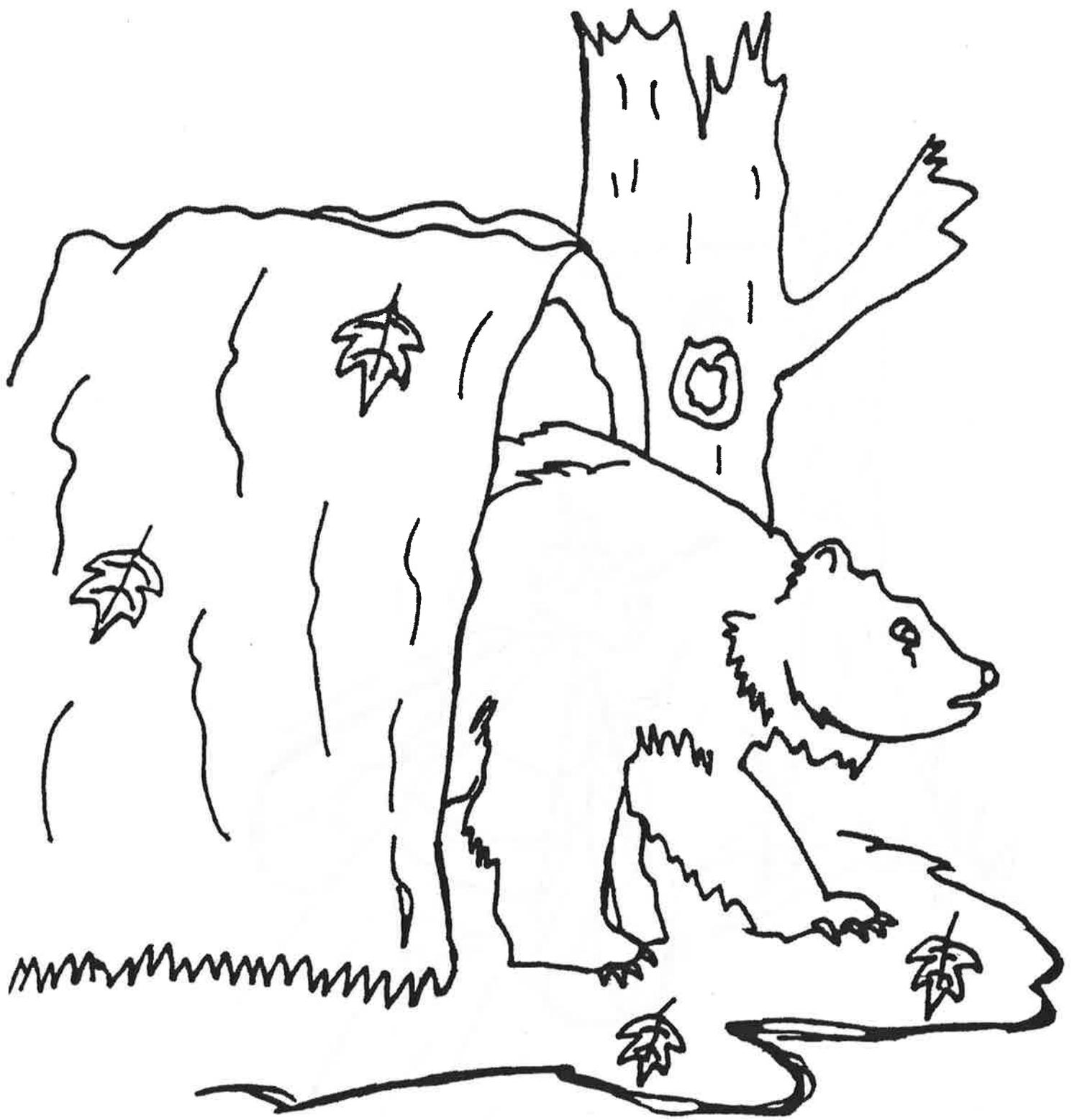
**Our State Seal was redesigned in 2010. The mother pelican and her three pelican chicks are white, the center is dark blue, and the three drops of blood are red.**



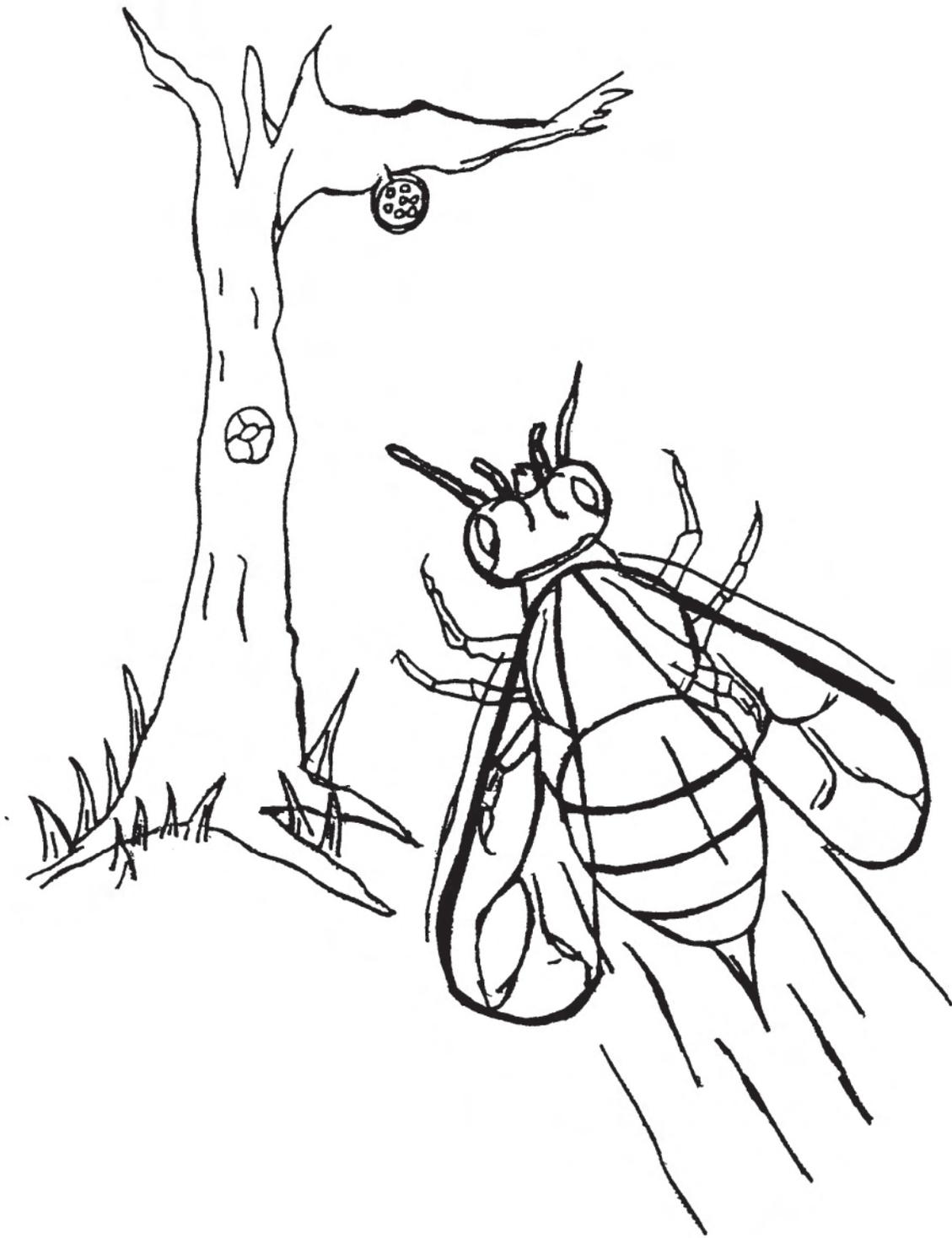
**The Honor and Remember Flag, the state  
Emblem of Military Service.**



The Brown Pelican is our State Bird. Our state is known as the Pelican State.

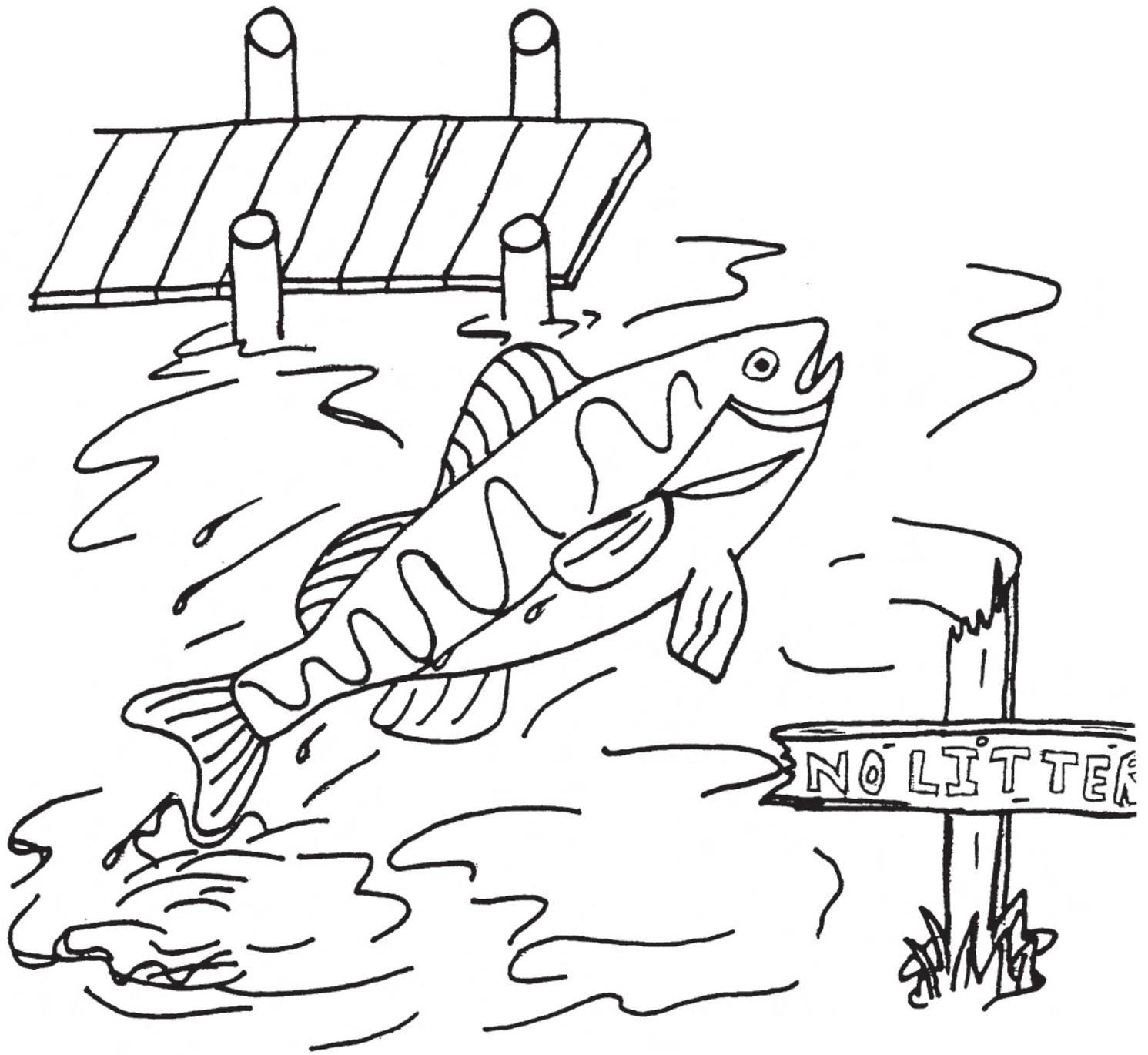


**The Louisiana Black Bear is our State Mammal.  
There are about 750 bears in our state.**

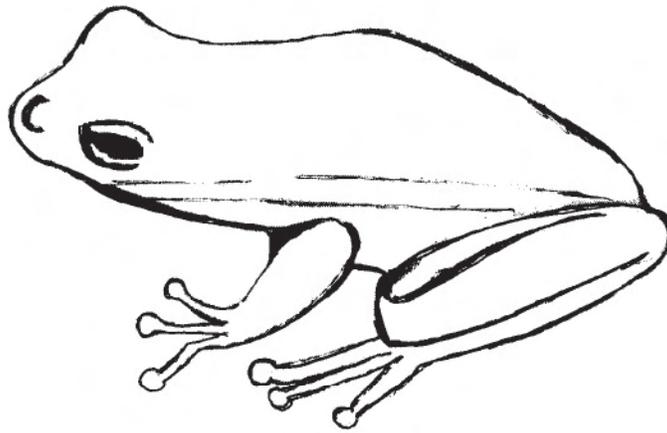


**The Honeybee, our State Insect.**

# The White Perch

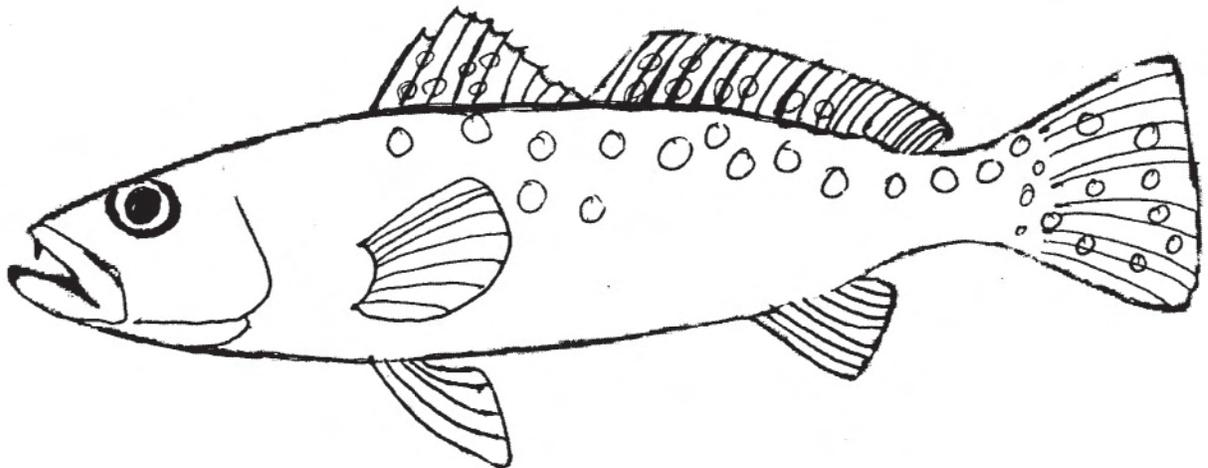


Our State Freshwater Fish

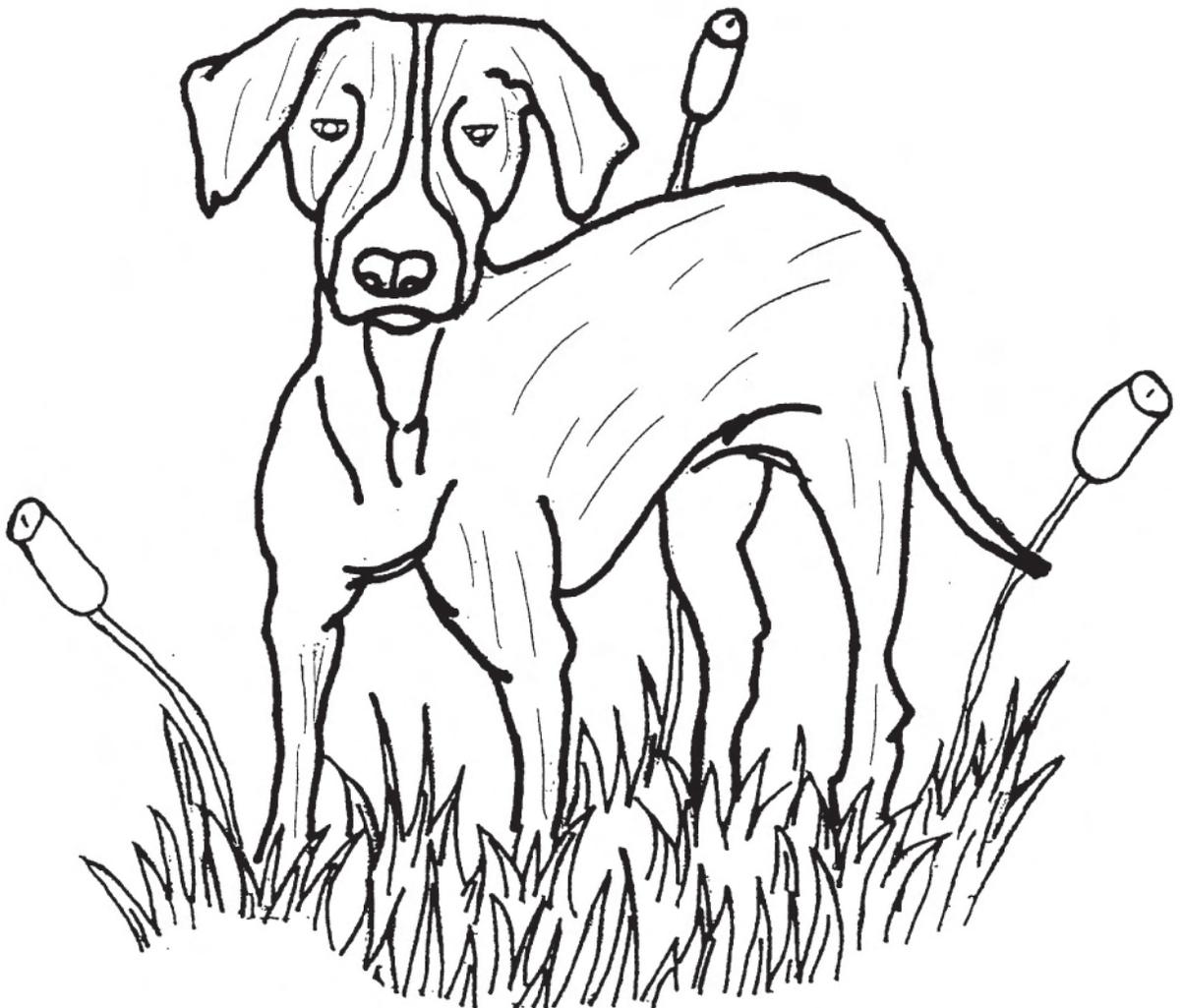
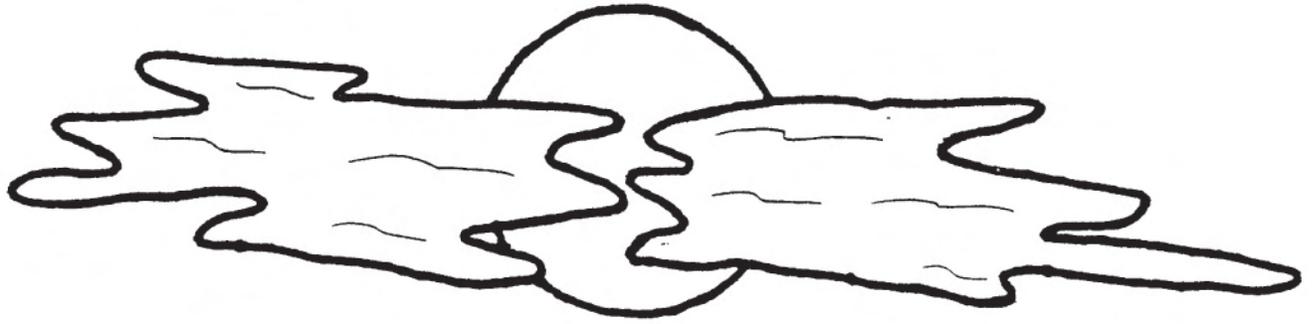


**The green tree frog is the State  
Amphibian of Louisiana.**

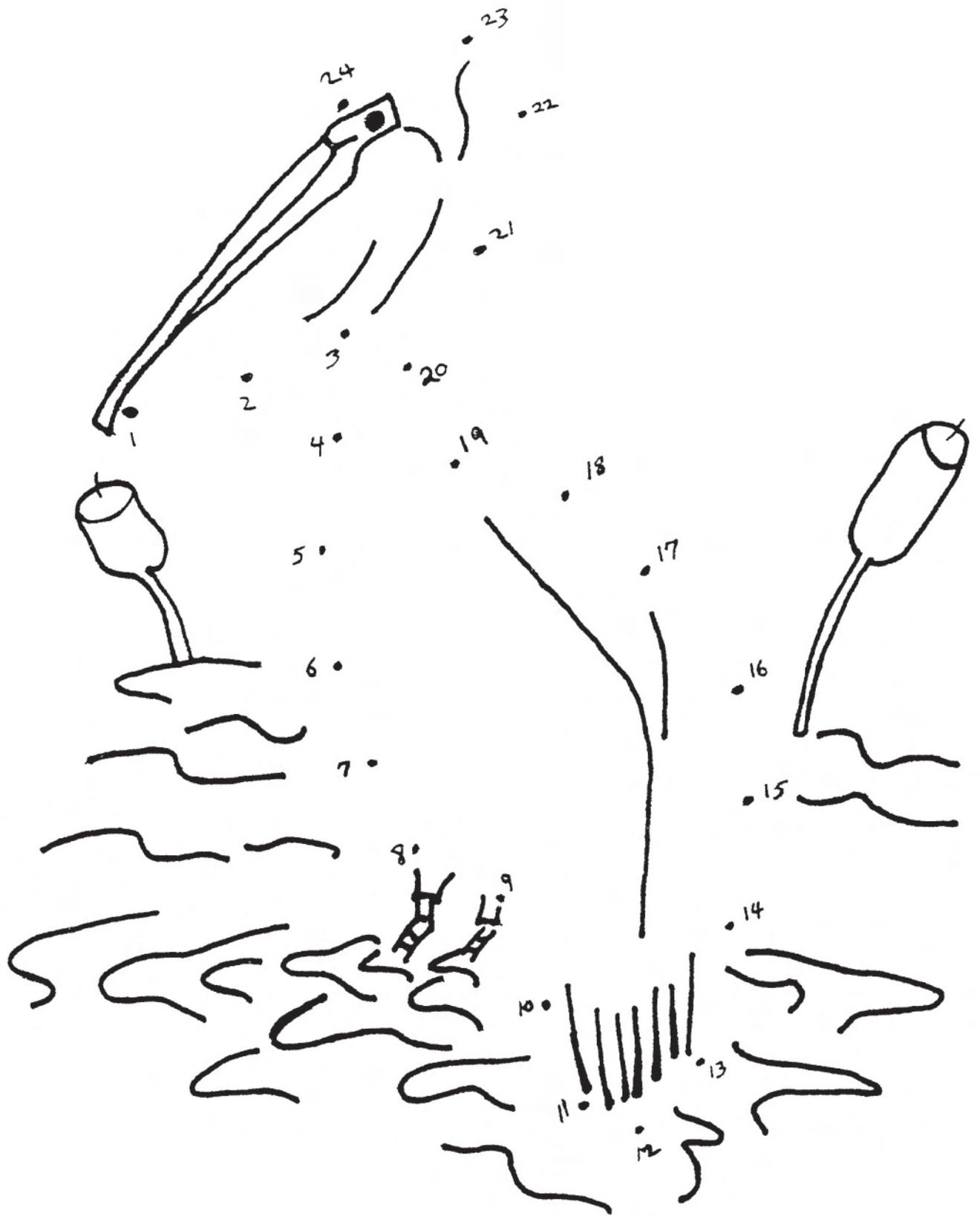
**Our State Saltwater Fish is the  
Spotted Sea Trout or Speckled Trout**







Louisiana even has a State Dog. It is called the  
Catahoula Leopard Dog.



# Our State Crustacean

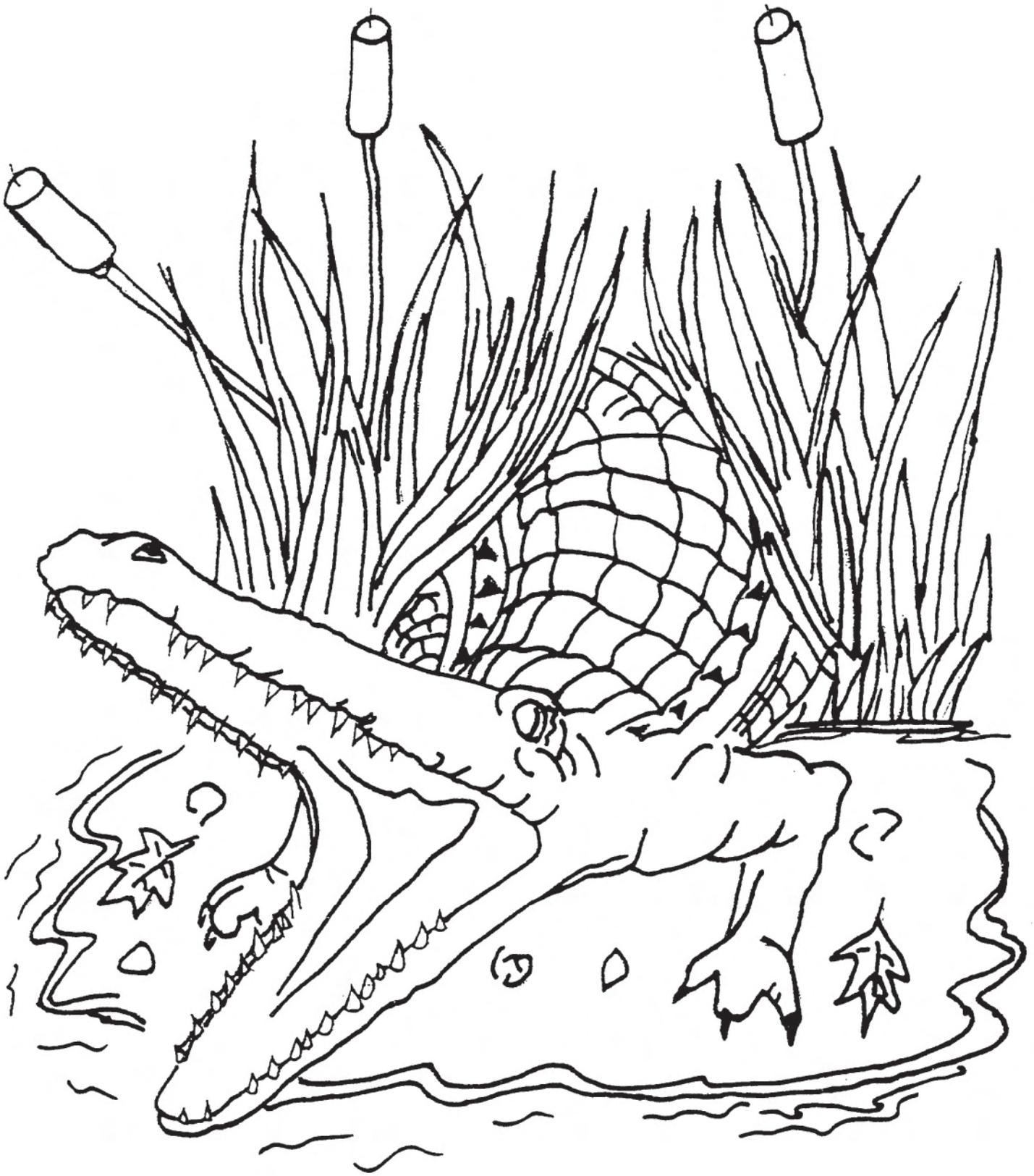


Crawfish are known as "crawdads" and "mudbugs" in other parts of the U.S.



**Mardi Gras colors are purple, green, and gold.  
The festival attracts visitors from all over the  
world to our state.**

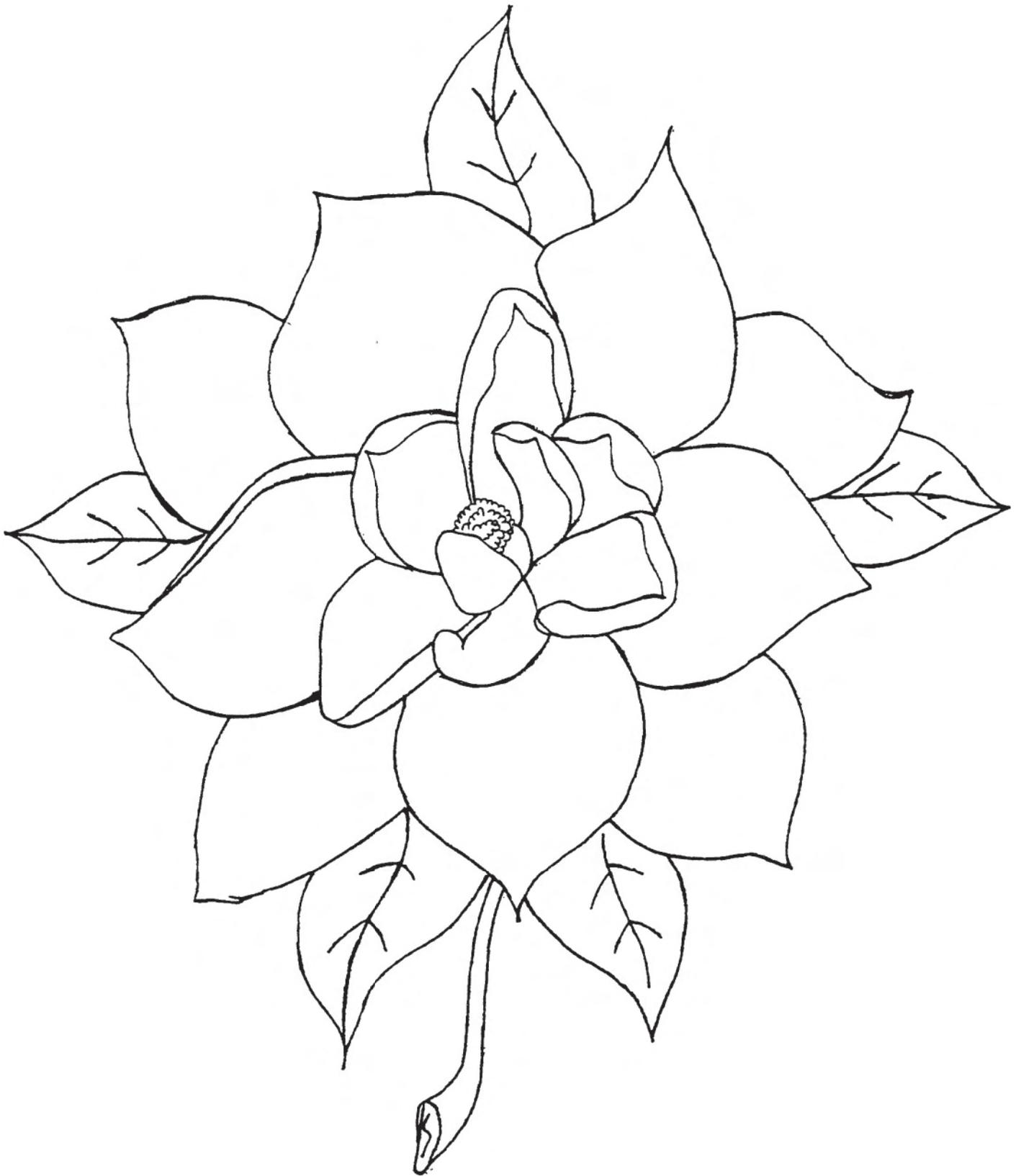




Do you recognize our State Reptile?



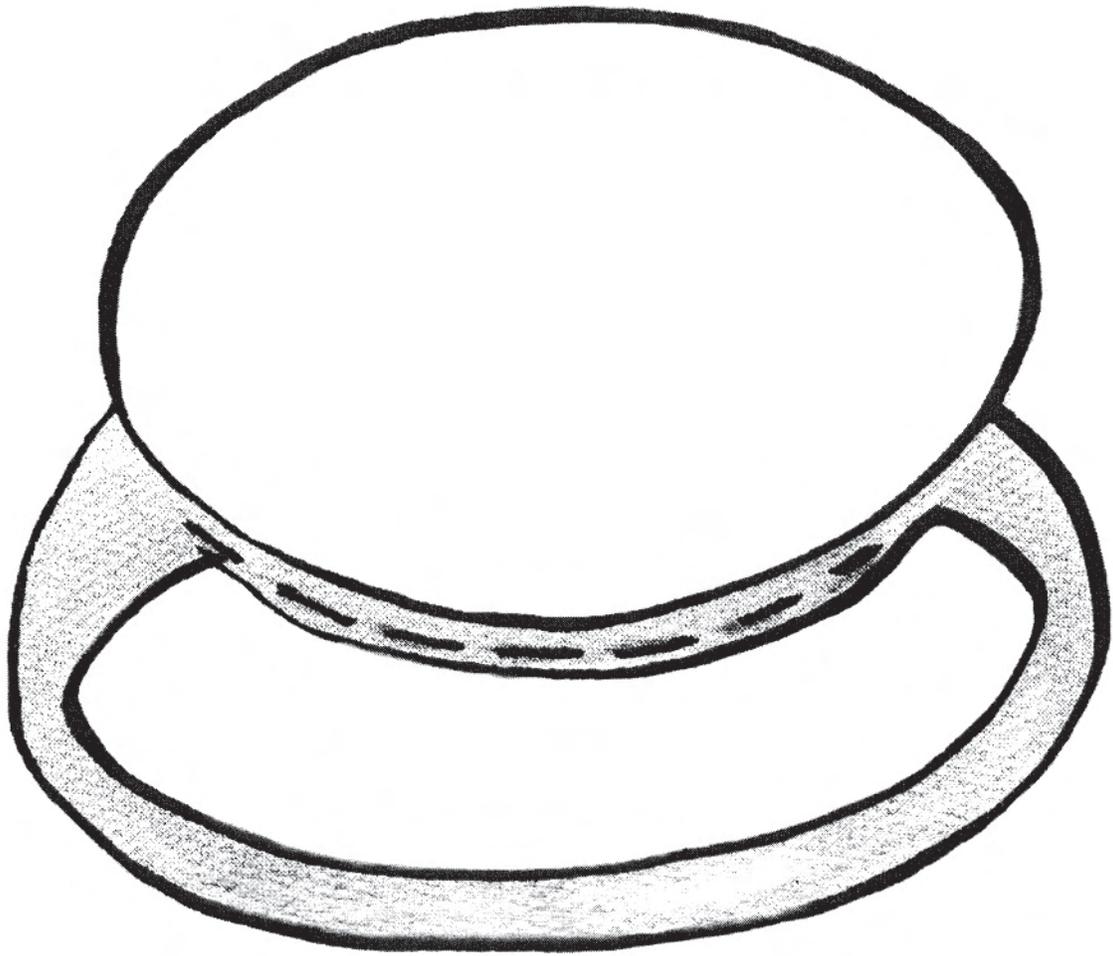
The Bald Cypress is our State Tree.



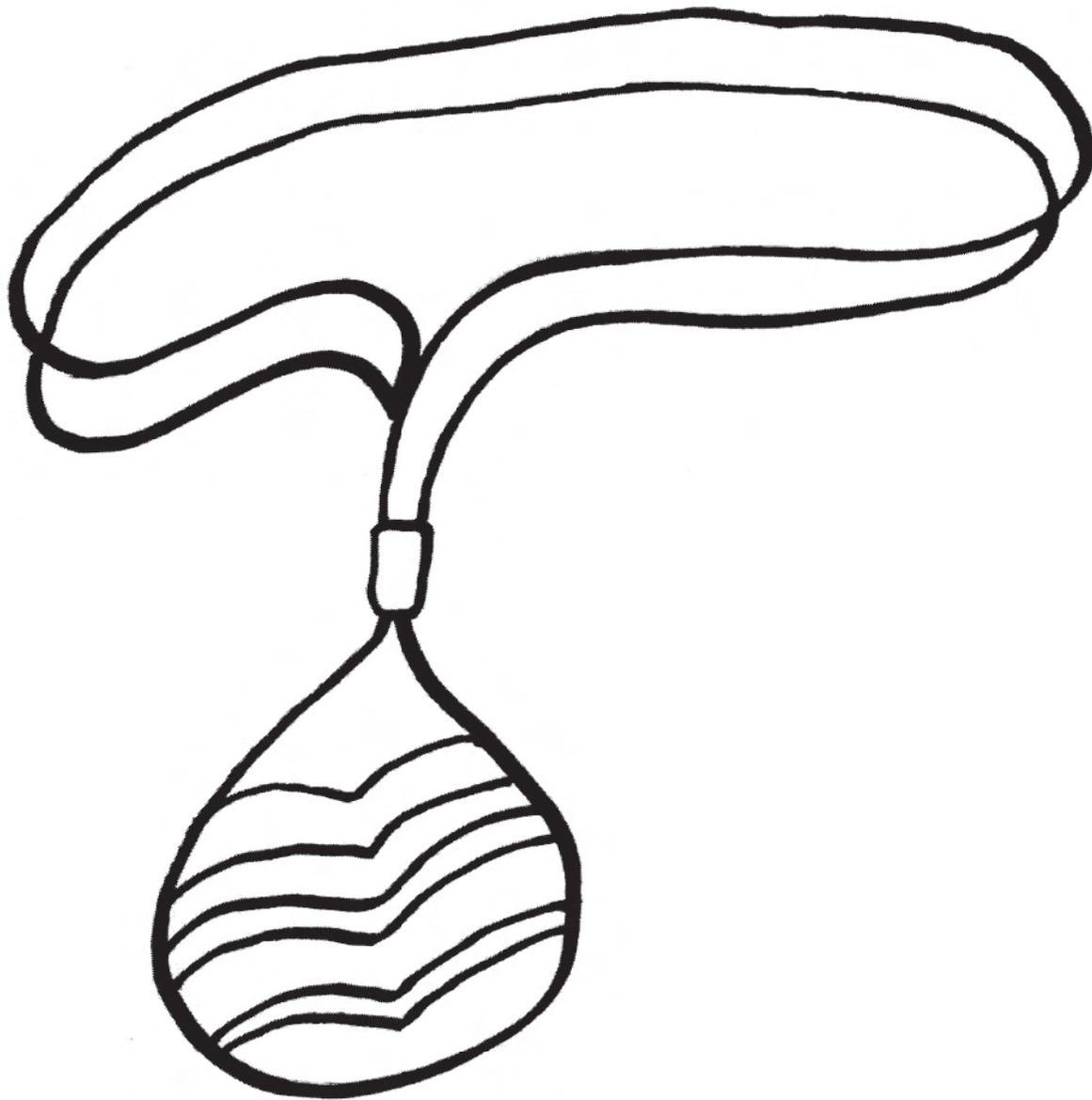
**The Magnolia Blossom became our State Flower in  
1900.**



**The State Wildflower is the Purple Iris.**



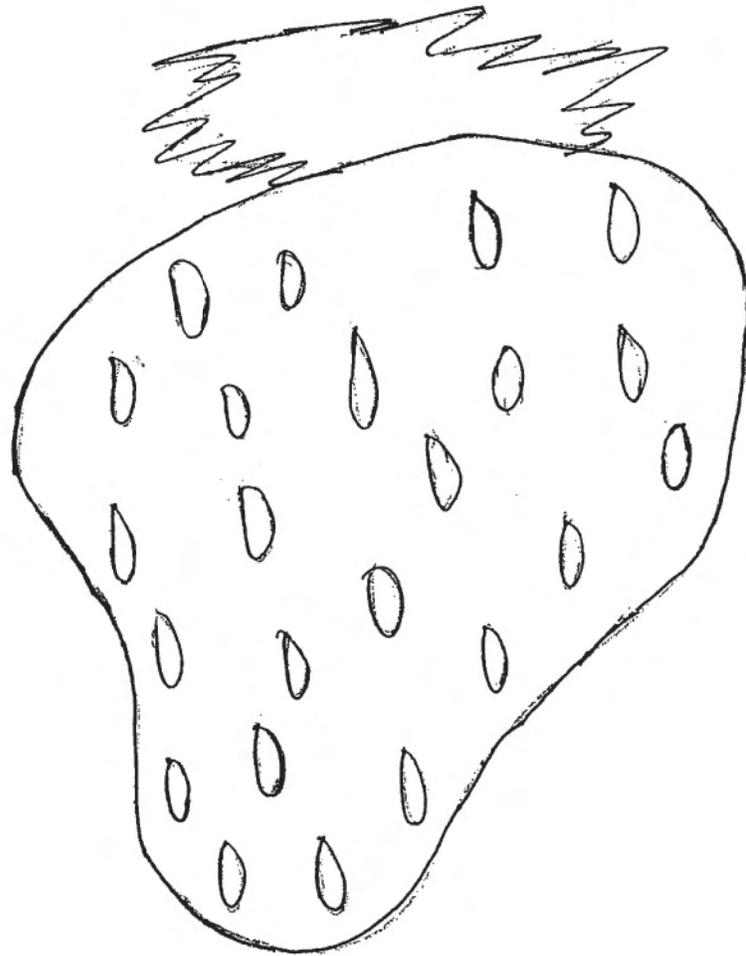
**The State Gemstone is called the cabochon-cut gemstone or LaPearlite. It is made from oyster shells.**



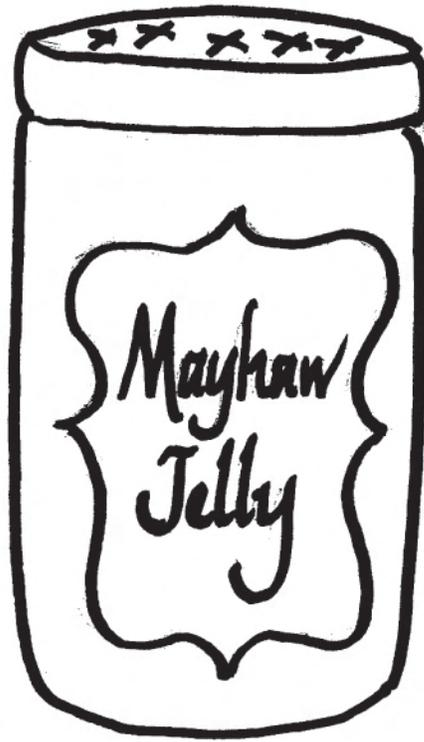
**The official State Mineral is the agate.**



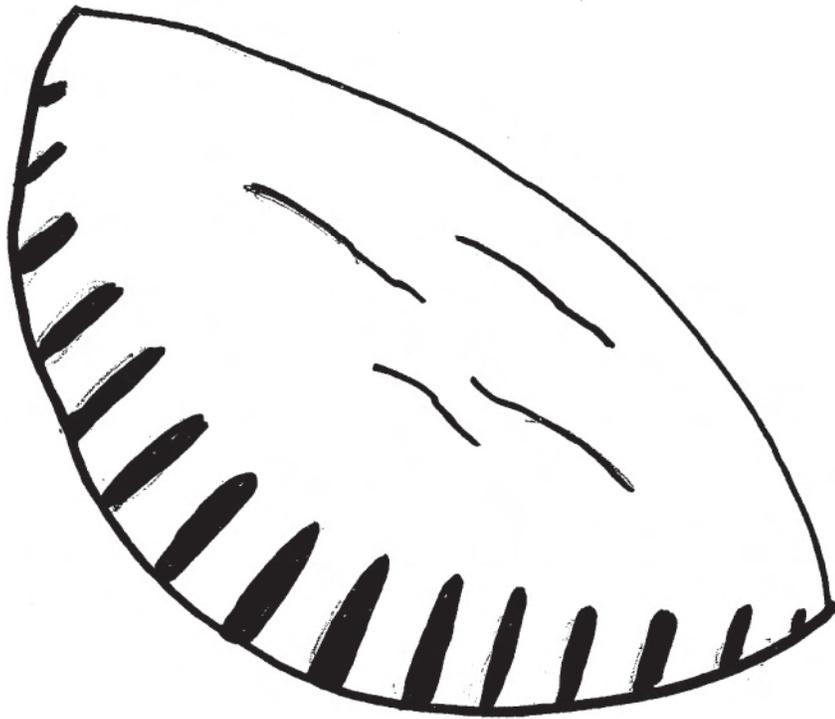
**Our State Drink**



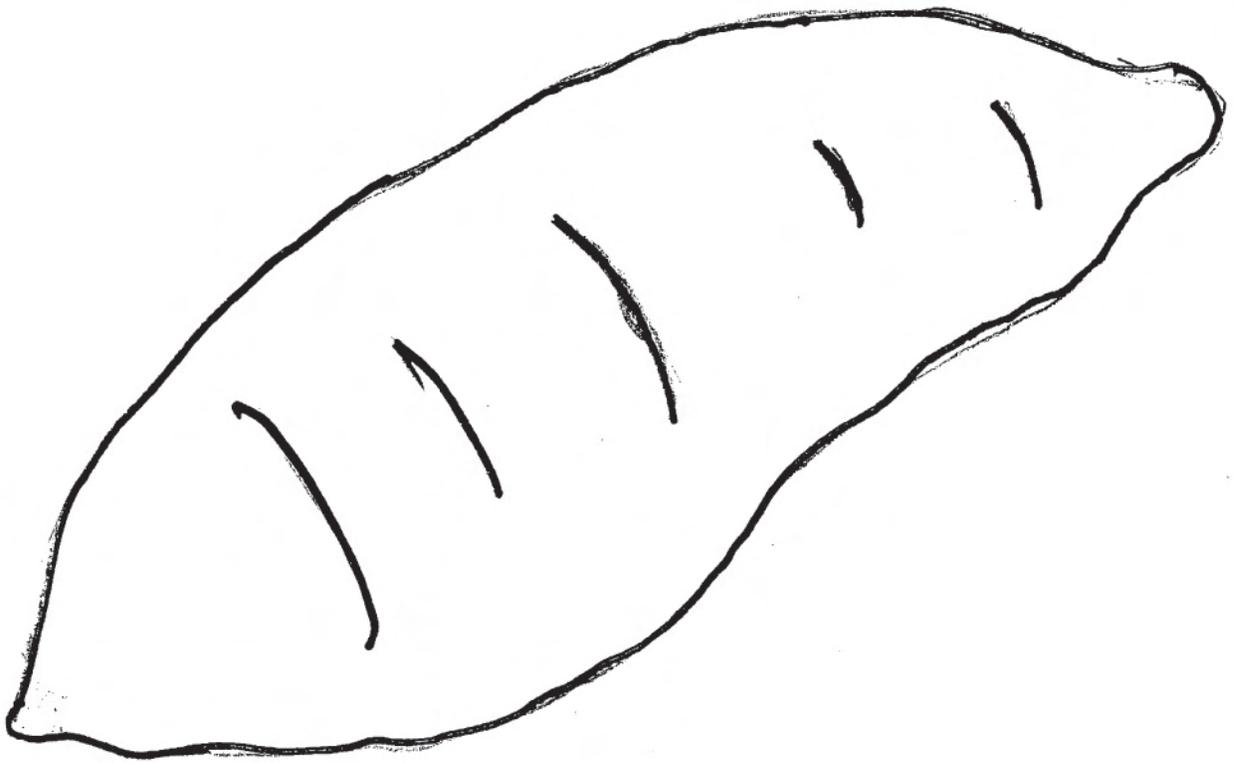
**The Strawberry, our State Fruit**



**Louisiana has 2 State Jellies – Mayhaw and Sugar Cane.**



**The Natchitoches Meat Pie  
Official Meat Pie of Louisiana**

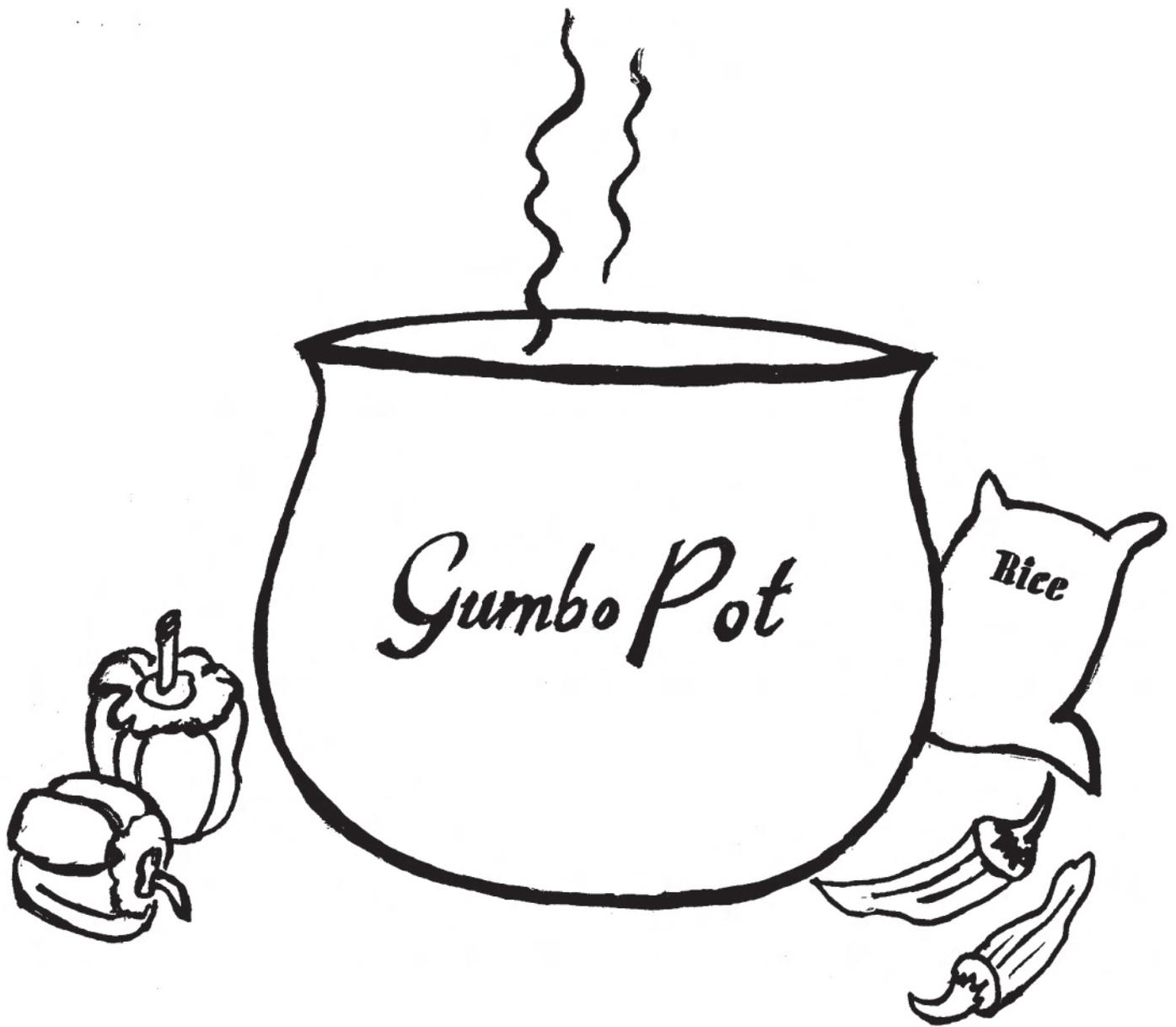


**Our State Vegetable is the Sweet Potato.**

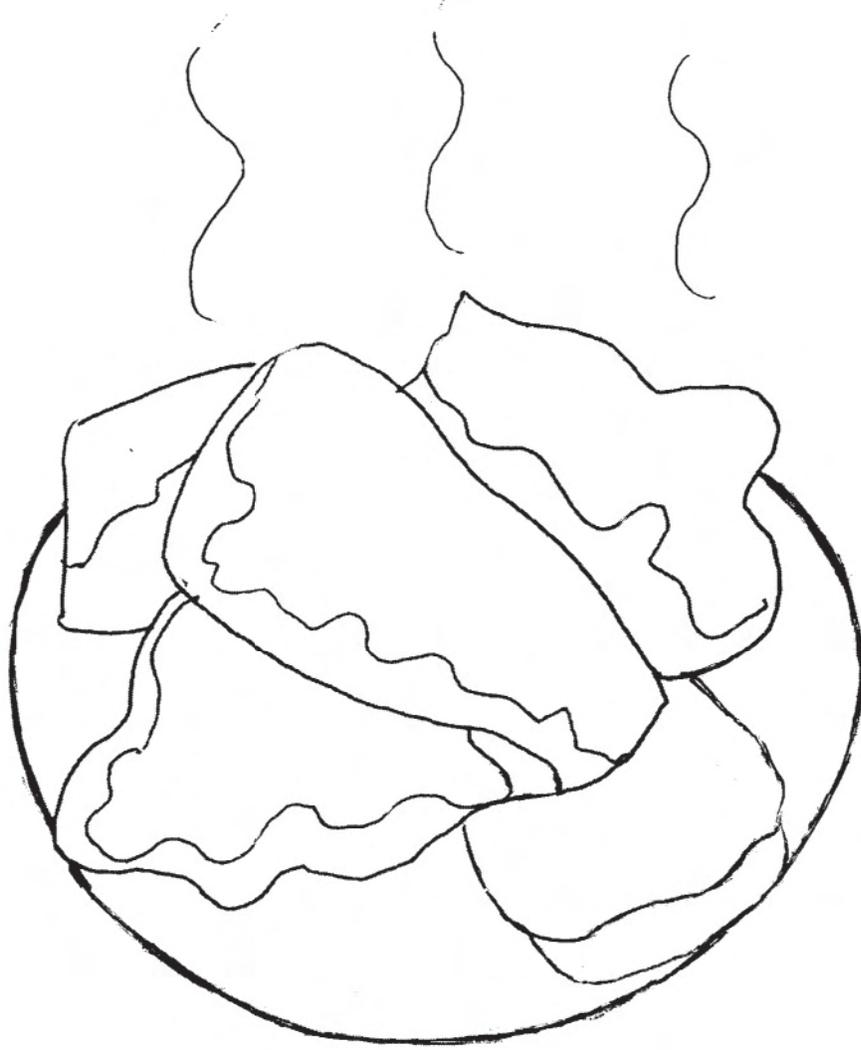
## Our State Vegetable Plant



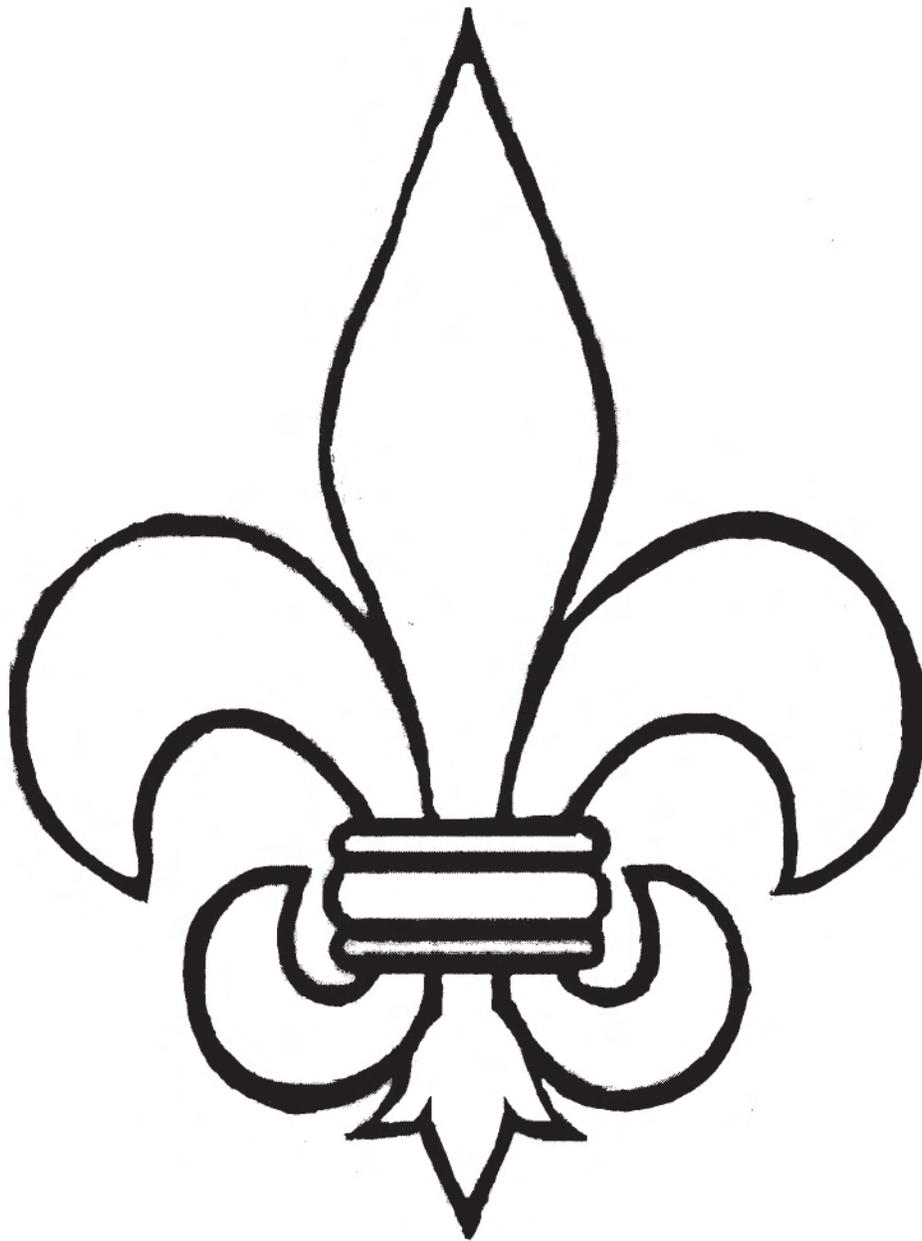
The Creole Tomato



**Gumbo is our State Cuisine**



**The State Donut is the yummy Beignet. It is sweet like a donut, but is square and doesn't have a hole.**



**The Fleur-de-lis is the State Symbol of Louisiana.**