



STATE AIRCRAFT
HOT-AIR BALLOON



STATE NECKLACE
NATIVE AMERICAN SQUASH BLOSSOM



STATE FLOWER
SOAP TREE YUCCA



STATE AMPHIBIAN
NEW MEXICO SPADEFOOT



STATE GEM
TURQUOISE

STATE VEGETABLES
CHILE AND PINTO BEANS



STATE FLAG

STATE POEM
"A NUEVO MEXICO," BY LUIS TAFOYA



STATE BIRD
GREATER ROADRUNNER

STATE SLOGAN
"EVERYBODY IS SOMEBODY
IN NEW MEXICO"

NEW MEXICO SYMBOLS

Most states have a state bird or state flower, and New Mexico does, too. But the Land of Enchantment (the state's official nickname) also has a state aircraft, state cookie and state tie. Here are the "official" symbols of New Mexico, according to the New Mexico Blue Book.

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STATE GUITAR
NEW MEXICO SUNRISE GUITAR
BY PIMENTAL GUITARS



STATE INSECT
TARANTULA HAWK
WASP



STATE TREE
PIÑON PINE

STATE TRAIN
CUMBRES & TOLTEC
RAILROAD

STATE GRASS
BLUE GRAMA



STATE COOKIE
BIZCOCHITO



STATE MAMMAL
AMERICAN BLACK
BEAR



STATE REPTILE
NEW MEXICO WHIPTAIL



STATE QUESTION
"RED OR GREEN?"



STATE BUTTERFLY
SANDIA HAIRSTREAK



STATE FOSSIL
COELOPHYSIS, AN EARLY
TRIASSIC DINOSAUR