

## Pondicherry Reptiles and Amphibians

<b>Salamanders</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Spotted Salamander	<i>Ambystoma maculatum</i>	Common
Red-spotted Newt	<i>Notophthalmus viridescens</i>	Common
Northern Dusky Salamander	<i>Desmognathus fuscus</i>	Unconfirmed
Northern Redback Salamander	<i>Plethodon cinereus</i>	Common
Northern Two-lined Salamander	<i>Eurycea bislineata</i>	Unconfirmed
Spring Salamander	<i>Gyrinophilus porphyriticus</i>	Unconfirmed
<b>Snakes</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>	
Northern Red-bellied Snake	<i>Storeria occipitomaculata</i>	Common
Eastern Garter Snake	<i>Thamnophis sirtalis</i>	Common
Northern Ringneck Snake	<i>Diadophis punctatus</i>	Common
Eastern Smooth Green Snake	<i>Opheodrys vernalis</i>	Unconfirmed
<b>Turtles</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>	
Common Snapping Turtle	<i>Chelydra serpentina</i>	Common
Painted Turtle	<i>Chrysemys picta</i>	Common
Wood Turtle	<i>Glyptemys insculpta</i>	Unconfirmed
<b>Frogs</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>	
Green Frog	<i>Rana clamitans melanota</i>	Common
Northern Leopard Frog	<i>Rana pipiens</i>	Historic
Pickerel Frog	<i>Rana palustris</i>	Common
Wood Frog	<i>Rana sylvatica</i>	Common
Mink Frog	<i>Rana septentrionalis</i>	Uncommon
Gray Tree Frog	<i>Hyla versicolor</i>	Common
Spring Peeper	<i>Pseudacris crucifer</i>	Common
American Toad	<i>Bufo americanus</i>	Common

The primary reference is the NH Fish and Game RAARP website:

[http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Wildlife/Nongame/reptiles\\_amphibians.htm](http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Wildlife/Nongame/reptiles_amphibians.htm)

A dedicated inventory with photo documentation is needed for Spring Salamander, Northern Dusky Salamander, Wood Turtle and Northern Leopard Frog. The leopard frog has been present but the three other species have never been confirmed in Pondicherry but are likely to be found here. The Wood Turtle would most likely be found along the John's River near the Airport.

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