

Northern Arizona Wildlife

■ INVERTEBRATES

- a. Painted Lady
- b. Hairy Scorpion
- c. Tarantula

■ REPTILES

- d. Desert Tortoise
- e. Horned Lizard
- f. Gila Monster
- g. Arizona King Snake
- h. Gopher Snake
- i. Rattle Snake

■ BIRDS

- j. Roadrunner
- k. Bald Eagle
- l. Gambel's Quail
- m. Hummingbird
- n. Raven
- o. Scrub Jay
- p. Oriole

■ MAMMALS

- q. Coyote
- r. Javelina
- s. Pronghorn
- t. Elk
- u. Mule Deer
- v. Mountain Lion
- w. Bobcat
- x. Ringtail
- y. Packrat
- z. Spotted Skunk



These are the creatures in our neighborhood...

You may not find all the critters pictured to the right in Oak Creek Canyon itself (though most of them can be spotted there), but we couldn't pass up the chance to show off the great diversity of friends who fly, scamper, creep and prowl around Oak Creek, Sedona and the Verde Valley. Oak Creek Canyon and the Verde River create riparian zones, environments rich in plant and animal life due to the year-round water supplies. You don't have to hike far (or even leave town) to catch a glimpse of our animal residents. Wildlife is everywhere you look around here, from whiptail lizards zipping across the hot pavement to brightly-colored hummingbirds darting around a porch feeder. Want to see a tarantula? Look around the ground in a yard after a summer rainstorm. Lizards and snakes are most active in the morning and at dusk. Our famous javelina can be spotted along the Creek in the early morning.

To learn more

At www.gatewaytosedona.com you'll find this map, with clickable photos leading to profiles of all these Northern Arizona creatures.

You'll also find articles on birding, hiking, wildlife preservation and more.

