

# State Agriculture Symbols

## State Tree: Red (Norway) Pine Chosen: 1953

Red (Norway) pine trees can grow over 100 feet tall.

What is the average life span of a red pine tree?

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## State Grain: Wild Rice Chosen: 1977

This was a staple food of the Ojibwe for centuries. Minnesota produces over half of the world's hand-harvested wild rice.

Where does our wild rice grow?

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What are two ways it's harvested in Minnesota?

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## State Drink: Milk Chosen: 1984

# Name the Symbol

**Clue:** Thriving in swamps, bogs, and damp woods, they grow slowly. They can live for 50 years or longer. It is illegal to pick them.

State Flower: \_\_\_\_\_

**Clue:** These large black-and-white water birds have long black bills. Clumsy on land, they are excellent divers, underwater swimmers, and high-speed flyers.

State Bird: \_\_\_\_\_

**Clue:** Minnesotans love to eat this fish which inhabits waters in all parts of the state, but mainly the large, cool lakes in northern Minnesota. Their eyes are sensitive, so they go to deep, dark waters during the day and move to shallow lake areas at night.

State Fish: \_\_\_\_\_

Minnesota cows produce over one billion gallons of milk each year!

Name ten milk products you have tasted.

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## State Fruit: Honeycrisp Apple Chosen: 2006

Fourth graders from Anderson Elementary in Bayport lobbied the State Legislature to give us this state apple.

Where was this juicy, crisp apple developed?

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