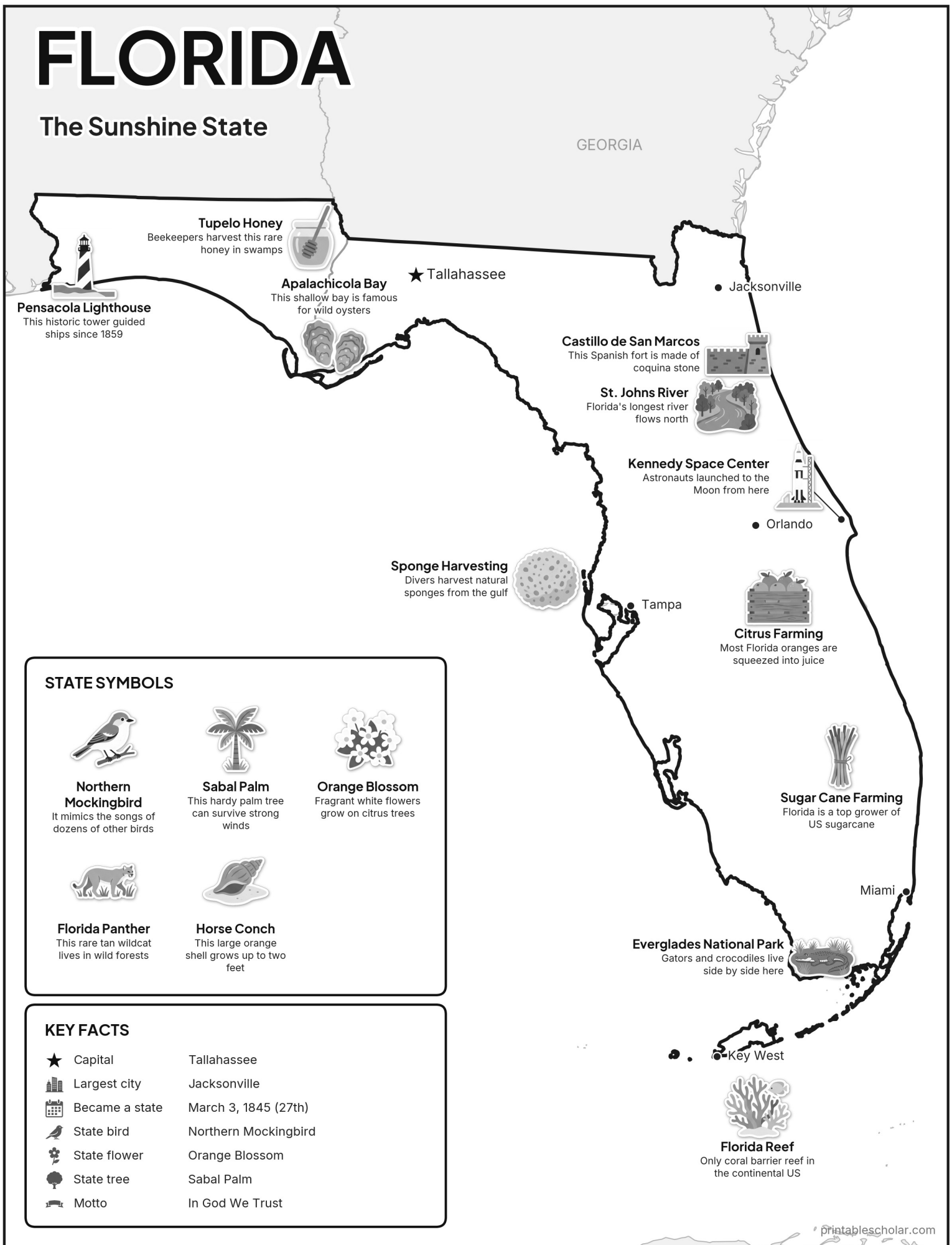


FLORIDA

The Sunshine State



Pensacola Lighthouse
This historic tower guided ships since 1859

Tupelo Honey
Beekeepers harvest this rare honey in swamps

Apalachicola Bay
This shallow bay is famous for wild oysters

★ Tallahassee

● Jacksonville

Castillo de San Marcos
This Spanish fort is made of coquina stone

St. Johns River
Florida's longest river flows north

Kennedy Space Center
Astronauts launched to the Moon from here

● Orlando

Sponge Harvesting
Divers harvest natural sponges from the gulf

Tampa

Citrus Farming
Most Florida oranges are squeezed into juice

Sugar Cane Farming
Florida is a top grower of US sugarcane

Miami

Everglades National Park
Gators and crocodiles live side by side here

Florida Reef
Only coral barrier reef in the continental US

STATE SYMBOLS



Northern Mockingbird
It mimics the songs of dozens of other birds



Sabal Palm
This hardy palm tree can survive strong winds



Orange Blossom
Fragrant white flowers grow on citrus trees



Florida Panther
This rare tan wildcat lives in wild forests



Horse Conch
This large orange shell grows up to two feet

KEY FACTS

★ Capital	Tallahassee
🏙️ Largest city	Jacksonville
📅 Became a state	March 3, 1845 (27th)
🐦 State bird	Northern Mockingbird
🌸 State flower	Orange Blossom
🌴 State tree	Sabal Palm
🏆 Motto	In God We Trust