

MISSOURI

The Show-Me State

IOWA

ILLINOIS

KANSAS

ARKANSAS



Pony Express Museum

The mail service began here in April 1860

St. Joseph



Eastern Bluebird

This blue bird has a warm orange chest

Kansas City



Truman Library

It features a replica of the Oval Office



Missouri Mule

This strong animal is famous for farm work



Beef Cattle

Missouri is a top producer of beef cattle

Springfield



Carver National Monument

First US monument for an African American



Soybeans

This is Missouri's top crop by acreage



Mark Twain Boyhood Home

It inspired the white fence in Tom Sawyer

Columbia



Missouri River

This is the longest river in North America



Lake of the Ozarks

This huge man-made lake has a winding shape



White Hawthorn Blossom

This small white flower grows in clusters



Flowering Dogwood

Its white 'petals' are actually leaves



Gateway Arch

This 630-foot steel monument honors pioneers

St. Louis



Taum Sauk Mountain

At 1,772 feet, this is the highest point



Cotton Farming

Cotton grows well in the warm, flat Bootheel



Bald Cypress

These unique trees grow in swampy waters

KEY FACTS

★ Capital	Jefferson City
🏙️ Largest city	Kansas City
📅 Became a state	August 10, 1821 (24th)
🐦 State bird	Eastern Bluebird
🌸 State flower	White Hawthorn Blossom
🌳 State tree	Flowering Dogwood
🏛️ Motto	The welfare of the people shall be the supreme law