

# Tennessee Activity Packet



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TENNESSEE

## **Comparing and Contrasting Alabama and Tennessee**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Alabama**

Alabama, which means "Tribal Town" in native language, became a state on December 14, 1819. It is a southern state that borders Mississippi, Florida, Tennessee, and Georgia. Much of the Tennessee River winds through the northern part of the state. High hills from the Appalachian Range dot parts of northern Alabama. Alabama borders the Gulf of Mexico to the south and features popular beaches. Its capital, Montgomery, was named for Revolutionary War hero Richard Montgomery. Its state bird is the yellowhammer.

### **Tennessee**

Tennessee is located in the Southern United States. It borders eight other states including Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Missouri. Tennessee is landlocked, which means it has no beaches. Tennessee became America's 16th state on June 1, 1796. It's capital and largest city is Nashville. Both the Tennessee and Mississippi Rivers wind through the state, with the Mississippi forming its entire western border. Eastern Tennessee features some of the highest peaks in the Appalachian Mountains. The Mockingbird is the state bird of Tennessee, and four other southern states.

Which facts belong in each category?

<b>Borders Mississippi</b>
<b>The Tennessee River flows through</b>
<b>Became a state FIRST</b>
<b>Is a Southern state</b>
<b>Its capital and largest city are the same</b>
<b>Has popular beaches</b>
<b>Touches the Gulf of Mexico</b>
<b>Includes parts of the Appalachian Mountains and hills</b>
<b>Borders Florida</b>

<b>Alabama</b>	<b>Both</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>

**Answers:**

<b>Alabama</b>	<b>Both</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>
<b>Has popular beaches</b>	<b>Borders Mississippi</b>	<b>Became a state FIRST</b>
<b>Touches the Gulf of Mexico</b>	<b>The Tennessee River flows through</b>	<b>Its capital and largest city are the same</b>
<b>Borders Florida</b>	<b>Is a Southern state</b>	<b>Shares a state bird with other states</b>
	<b>Includes parts of the Appalachian Mountains and hills</b>	

## **Comparing and Contrasting Georgia and Tennessee**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Georgia**

In 1732, Georgia became the last of the original 13 colonies to receive a royal charter. It was originally a colony designed for people crowded into debtors prisons in England. Georgia became America's fourth state on January 2, 1788. It is located in the southeastern United States and borders Alabama, Florida, Tennessee, and North and South Carolina. It is nicknamed the Peach State. Atlanta is Georgia's capital and largest city. In 1996, it hosted the Olympic Summer Games. Atlanta's airport, Hartsfield International, is the world's busiest airport. With over 10.6 million people, Georgia is the eighth most populous state in America. Like many east coast states, Georgia features beautiful beaches on its east coast, piedmont in the central parts of the state, and mountains in the northwestern part of the state. Georgia's state bird is the Brown Thrasher.

### **Tennessee**

Tennessee is located in the southeastern United States. It is nicknamed the Volunteer State. It borders eight other states including Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Missouri. Nearly seven million people live in Tennessee. Tennessee is landlocked, which means it has no beaches. Tennessee became America's 16th state on June 1, 1796. Its capital and largest city is Nashville. Both the Tennessee and Mississippi Rivers wind through the state, with the Mississippi forming its entire western border. Eastern Tennessee features some of the highest peaks in the Appalachian Mountains. Great Smoky National Park, the nation's most visited national park, lies partly in Tennessee and partly in North Carolina. The Mockingbird is the state bird of Tennessee, and four other southern states.

Which facts belong in each category?

<b>Mockingbird is the state bird</b>
<b>Was a state first</b>
<b>Its capital and largest city are different</b>
<b>Has mountains</b>
<b>Has more people</b>
<b>Has beaches</b>
<b>One of the original 13 colonies</b>
<b>Is Landlocked</b>
<b>Hosted the Summer Olympics</b>
<b>Located in the southeastern United States</b>

<b>Georgia</b>
<b>Both</b>
<b>Tennessee</b>
<b>Neither</b>



**Answers:**

**Georgia**

**Was a state first  
Has more people  
Has beaches  
One of the original 13 Colonies  
Hosted the Summer Olympics**

**Both**

**Has mountains  
Located in the southeastern United States**

**Tennessee**

**Mockingbird is the state  
Is landlocked**

**Neither**

**Its capital and largest city are different**

## **Comparing and Contrasting Kentucky and Tennessee**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Kentucky**

Kansas, nicknamed the Bluegrass State, is located in the Southeastern United States. It borders seven states: West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Tennessee, and Virginia. Its western border is formed by the Mississippi River and its northern border is formed by the Ohio River. Kentucky became America's 15<sup>th</sup> state on June 1, 1792. It was one of the first states to become part of America after the Revolutionary War. Its capital is Frankfort and its largest city is Louisville, site of the Kentucky Derby - the world's most important horse race. Today, about four and half million people live in Kentucky. Its state bird is the cardinal.

### **Tennessee**

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Which facts belong in each category?

<b>The Mississippi River winds through</b>
<b>The capital is Nashville</b>
<b>State bird is the mockingbird</b>
<b>Became a state first</b>
<b>Has more people</b>
<b>Has beaches</b>
<b>Borders Indiana</b>
<b>Borders more states</b>
<b>Located in the Southeastern United States</b>
<b>Home to the world's most important horse race</b>

<b>Kentucky</b>
<b>Both</b>
<b>Tennessee</b>
<b>Neither</b>

**Answers:**

**Kentucky**

**Became a state first**  
**Borders Indiana**

**Both**

**Located in the Southeastern United States**  
**The Mississippi River winds through**

**Tennessee**

**Has more people**  
**The capital is Nashville**  
**State bird is the mockingbird**  
**Has more people**  
**Borders more states**

**Neither**

**Has beaches**

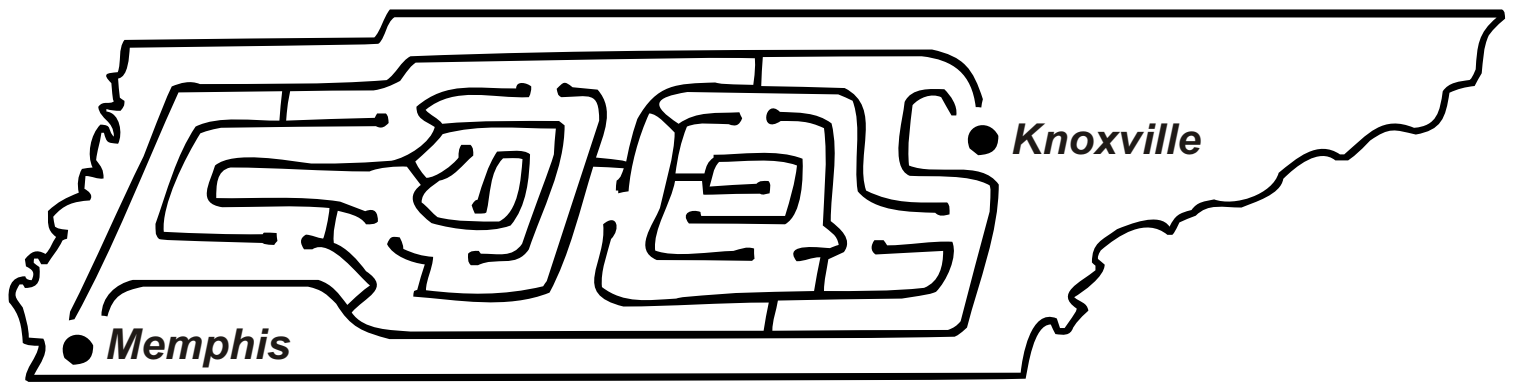


## Imagine: Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Imagine you are visiting Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Read the description and draw the picture to the best of your ability.

A still fog rises over and across the ancient hills, shrouding them in an ashy, haze, through which only hints of black forest escape to visibility. But soon, the sun powers through the cloak of thickness and casts an eerie, pink glow which fills the smoky scene with splashes of morning color.







**Mockingbird**

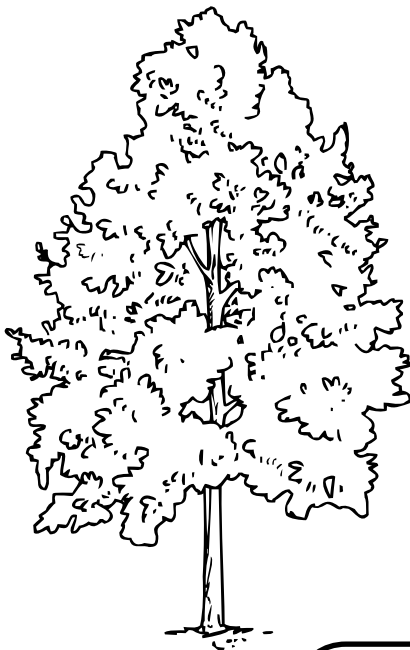


**Purple Iris**

☆ Nashville

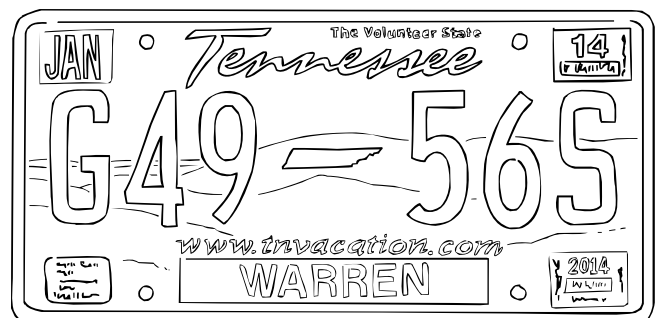
**Tennessee**

**The Volunteer State**



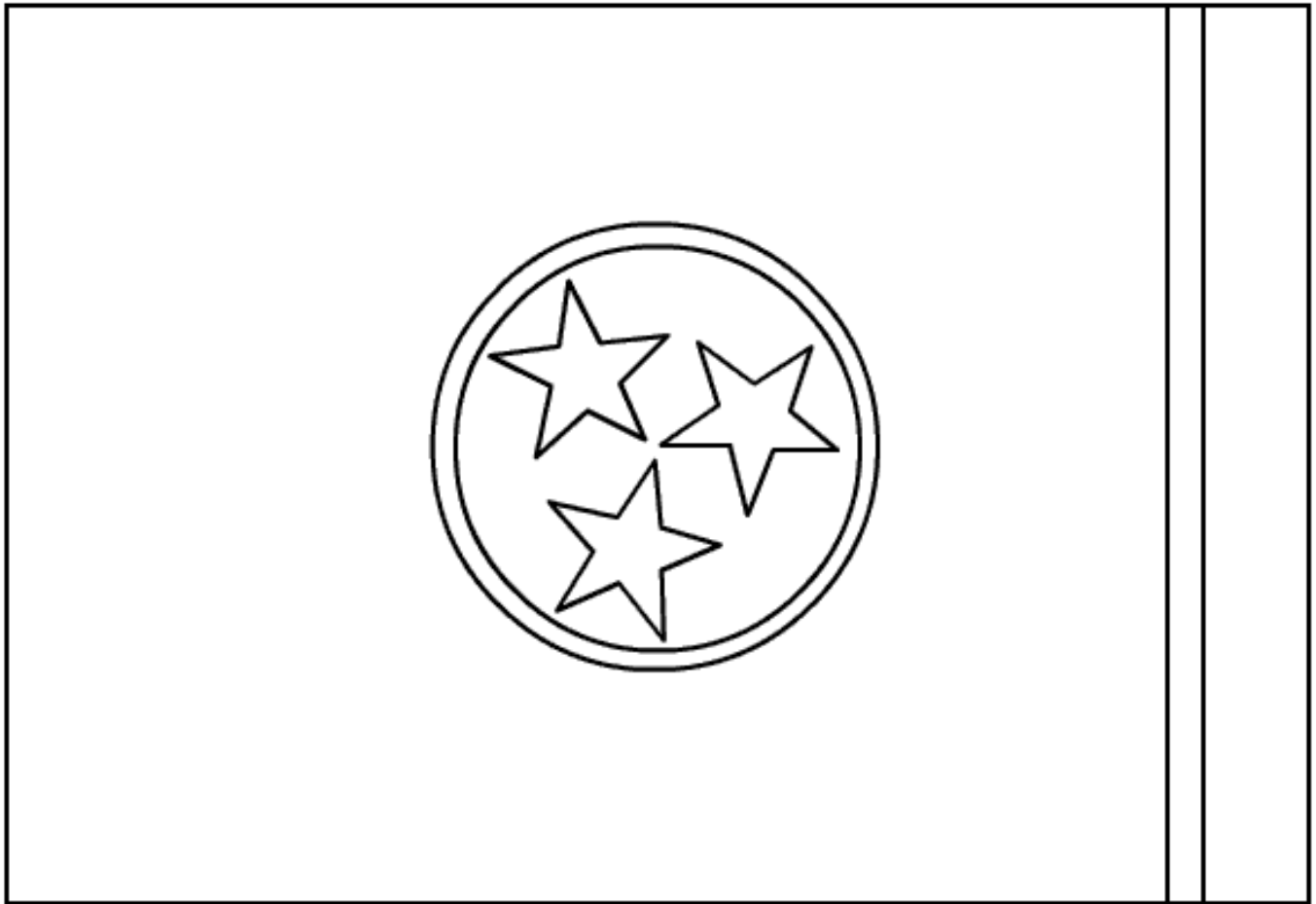
**Tulip Poplar**

**State license plate**





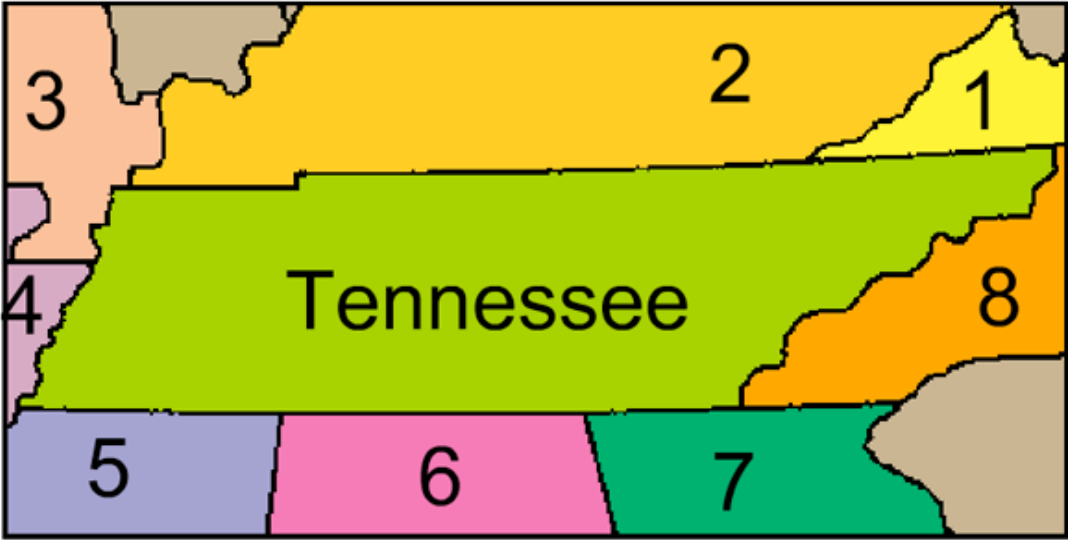
## Tennessee Flag Outline







Tennessee Label-me Map – Bordering States and Bodies of water



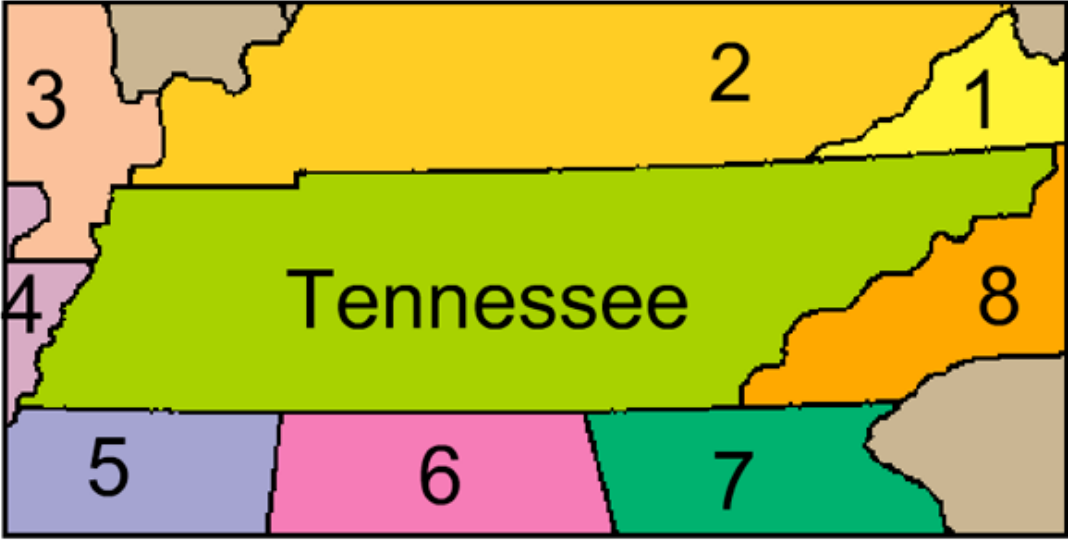
Tennessee Labels

Georgia
Kentucky
Arkansas
Alabama
Mississippi
Virginia
Missouri
North Carolina

Labels:

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

## Tennessee Label-me Map – Bordering States and Bodies of water



Tennessee Labels

Georgia
Kentucky
Arkansas
Alabama
Mississippi
Virginia
Missouri
North Carolina

Labels:

1. Virginia
2. Kentucky
3. Missouri
4. Arkansas
5. Mississippi
6. Alabama
7. Georgia
8. North Carolina

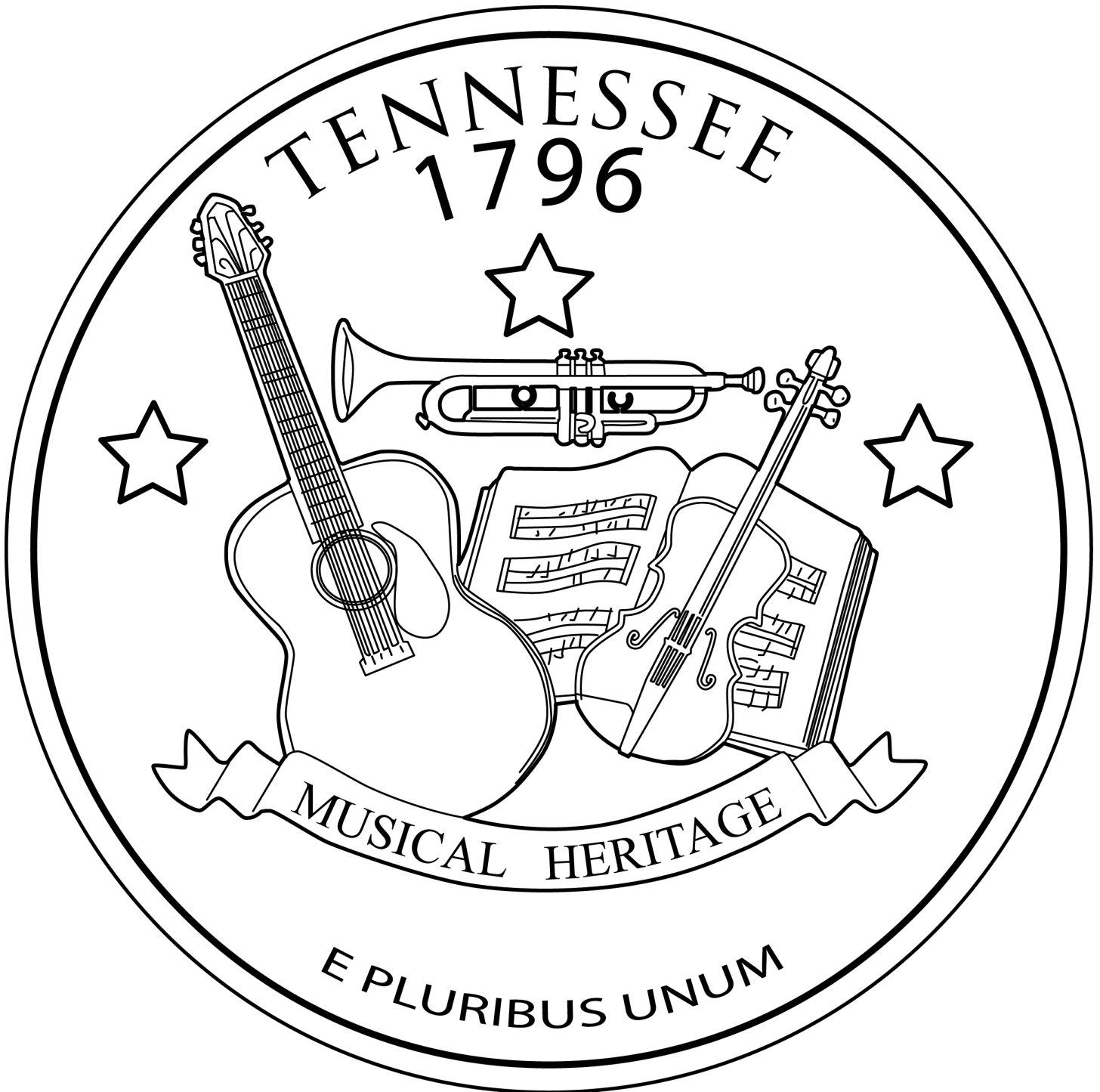




## Tennessee Printable Outline Map



Tennessee State Quarter



## Tennessee



Capital: **Nashville**  
Area: **42,146 sq. miles (36th)**  
Population: **6,720,000 (16th)**  
Date of Union Entry: **6/1/1796 (16th state)**  
State Bird: **Mockingbird**  
State Flower: **Iris**  
State Tree: **Tulip Poplar**  
Highest Point: **Clingman's Dome – 6,643 feet.**  
Motto: **Agriculture and Commerce**