

There are 53 species of freshwater mussels and 12 aquatic snails listed as either threatened or endangered in Alabama. Like the fishes, preserving water quality and streambed habitat can best protect them from the effects of forestry operations. Closely following guidelines in Alabama's Best Management Practices for Forestry will help ensure minimal impacts to freshwater invertebrates and their habitat. This list contains all counties in which the species are known to or believed to occur as reported by the [U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service website](#). Species names followed by an asterisk (*) are listed as endangered and all others as threatened.



Southern Clubshell Mussel
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Mollusks

Southern Acornshell* (*Epioblasma othcaloogensis*)

Bibb, Calhoun, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Elmore, Etowah, Jefferson, St. Clair, Shelby, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa

Purple Bankclimber (*Elliptoideus sloatianus*)

Chambers, Lee, Russell

Choctaw Bean* (*Villosa choctawensis*)

Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Escambia, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Lowndes, Monroe, Montgomery, Pike

Cumberland Bean* (*Villosa trabalis*)

Jackson

Yellow Blossom* (*Epioblasma florentina*)

County level range not defined in Alabama.

Cumberlandian Combshell* (*Epioblasma brevidens*)

Colbert

Southern Combshell* (*Epioblasma penita*)

Fayette, Lamar, Marion, Winston

Upland Combshell* (*Epioblasma metastrata*)

Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Cherokee, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Dekalb, Elmore, Etowah, Jefferson, Marshall, Perry, Shelby, St. Clair, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker

Ovate Clubshell* (*Pleurobema perovatum*)

Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Cherokee, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Cullman, Dallas, Dekalb, Elmore, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Greene, Hale, Jefferson, Lamar, Lawrence, Lee, Macon, Marengo, Marion, Marshall, Monroe, Morgan, Perry, Pickens, Russell, Shelby, St. Clair, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Wilcox, Winston

Southern Clubshell* (*Pleurobema decisum*)

Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Bullock, Butler, Calhoun, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Dallas, Dekalb, Elmore, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Greene, Jefferson, Lamar, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Marion, Monroe, Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Shelby, St. Clair, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Washington, Wilcox

Round Ebonyshell* (*Fusconaia rotulata*)

Bullock, Butler, Conecuh, Covington, Crenshaw, Escambia, Pike

Fanshell* (*Cyprogenia stegaria*)

Colbert, Lauderdale

Alabama Heelsplitter (*Potamilus inflatus*)

Baldwin, Choctaw, Clarke, Fayette, Greene, Hale, Lamar, Marengo, Marion, Monroe, Pickens, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington, Winston

Southern Kidneyshell* (*Ptychobranthus jonesi*)
Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington,
Crenshaw, Dale, Escambia, Geneva, Henry, Houston,
Lowndes, Monroe, Montgomery, Pike

Triangular Kidneyshell* (*Ptychobranthus greeni*)
Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Cherokee, Chilton, Clay,
Cleburne, Coosa, Elmore, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin,
Jefferson, Lawrence, Marshall, Shelby, St. Clair,
Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Winston

Alabama Lamp* (*Lampsilis virescens*)
Jackson, Madison, Marshall

Pale Lilliput* (*Toxolasma cylindrellus*)
Jackson, Marshall

Alabama Mocassinshell (*Medionidus acutiossimus*)
Bibb, Blount, Chilton, Dallas, Elmore, Etowah,
Fayette, Greene, Hale, Jefferson, Lamar, Lawrence,
Marengo, Marion, Marshall, Perry, Pickens, Shelby, St.
Clair, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Winston

Coosa Mocassinshell* (*Medionidus parvulus*)
Blount, Calhoun, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa,
Elmore, Etowah, Jefferson, Shelby, St. Clair,
Talladega, Tallapoosa

Gulf Mocassinshell* (*Medionidus penicillatus*)
Geneva, Houston

Cumberland Monkeyface* (*Quadrula intermedia*)
Colbert, Lauderdale

Orangenacre Mucket (*Lampsilis perovalis*)
Autauga, Bibb, Blount, Chilton, Choctaw, Conecuh,
Dallas, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Greene, Hale,
Jefferson, Lamar, Lawrence, Lowndes, Marion,
Marshall, Monroe, Perry, Pickens, Shelby, St. Clair,
Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Wilcox, Winston

Pink Mucket (*Lampsilis abrupta*)
Colbert, Franklin, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence,
Limestone, Madison, Marshall, Morgan

Oyster Mussel* (*Epioblasma capsaeformis*)
Colbert

Sheepnose* (*Plethobasus cyphus*)
Colbert, Jackson, Lauderdale, Limestone, Madison,
Marshall, Morgan

Snuffbox* (*Epioblasma triquetra*)
Colbert, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone,
Madison, Marshall, Morgan

Alabama Pearlshell* (*Margaritifera marianae*)
Conecuh, Crenshaw, Escambia, Monroe, Wilcox

Cracking Pearlymussel* (*Hemistena lata*)
Limestone

Dromedary Pearlymussel* (*Dromus dromas*)
Colbert, Franklin, Lauderdale

Littlewing Pearlymussel* (*Pegias fabula*)
Lauderdale, Limestone

Slabside Pearlymussel* (*Pleuroaia
dolabelloides*)
Colbert, Franklin, Jackson, Lauderdale, Madison,
Marshall

Dark Pigtoe* (*Pleurobema furvum*)
Blount, Cullman, Fayette, Franklin, Jefferson,
Lawrence, Marion, Morgan, Tuscaloosa, Walker,
Winston

Finerayed Pigtoe* (*Fusconaia cuneolus*)
Jackson, Madison, Marshall

Flat Pigtoe* (*Pleurobema marshalli*)
Pickens

Fuzzy Pigtoe (*Pleurobema strodeanum*)
Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Coffee, Conecuh,
Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Escambia, Geneva,
Henry, Houston, Lowndes, Monroe, Montgomery,
Pike

Georgia Pigtoe* (*Pleurobema hanleyianum*)
Cherokee, Clay, Coosa, Etowah, Tallapoosa

Heavy Pigtoe* (*Pleurobema taitianum*)
Autauga, Dallas, Greene, Lowndes, Marengo,
Perry, Pickens, Sumter, Wilcox

Narrow Pigtoe (*Fusconaia escambia*)
Bullock, Butler, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington,
Crenshaw, Escambia, Lowndes, Monroe,
Montgomery, Pike

Oval Pigtoe* (*Pleurobema pyriforme*)
Barbour, Bullock, Chambers, Dale, Geneva,
Henry, Houston, Lee, Macon, Randolph, Russell

Rough Pigtoe* (*Pleurobema plenum*)
Colbert, Franklin, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence,
Limestone, Madison, Marshall, Morgan

Shiny Pigtoe* (*Fusconaia cor*)
Jackson, Madison, Marshall

Southern Pigtoe* (*Pleurobema georgianum*)
Blount, Calhoun, Cherokee, Chilton, Clay,
Cleburne, Coosa, Dekalb, Elmore, Etowah,
Jefferson, Randolph, Shelby, St. Clair, Talladega,
Tallapoosa

Tapered Pigtoe (*Fusconaia burkei*)
Barbour, Bullock, Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw,
Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Pike

Orangefoot Pimpleback* (*Plethobasus
cooperianus*)
Colbert, Lauderdale

Finelined Pocketbook (*Lampsilis altilis*)
Autauga, Bibb, Blount, Bullock, Calhoun,
Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne,
Coosa, Dekalb, Elmore, Etowah, Jefferson, Lee,
Macon, Perry, Randolph, Russell, Shelby, St.
Clair, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa

Shinyrayed Pocketbook* (*Lampsilis
subangulata*)
Barbour, Geneva, Houston, Lee, Russell

Snails

Slender Campeloma* (*Campeloma decampi*)
Lauderdale, Limestone, Madison

Lacy Elimia (*Elimina renetella*)
Clay, Talladega

Rough Hornsnail* (*Pleurocera foremani*)
Chilton, Coosa, Elmore, Shelby, Talladega

Rabbitsfoot (*Quadrula cylindrica ssp. cylindrical*)
Colbert, Franklin, Jackson, Madison, Marshall

Pink Ring* (*Obovaria retusa*)
Colbert, Lauderdale

Southern Sandshell (*Hamiota australis*)
Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Coffee, Conecuh,
Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Escambia, Geneva,
Henry, Houston, Lowndes, Monroe, Montgomery,
Pike

Chipola Slabshell (*Elliptio chipolaensis*)
Geneva, Houston

Spectaclecase* (*Cumberlandia monodonta*)
Colbert, Lauderdale, Limestone, Madison,
Marshall, Morgan

Stirrup* (*Quadrula stapes*)
Greene, Pickens, Sumter

White Wartyback* (*Plethobasus cicatricosus*)
Colbert, Lauderdale



Tulotoma Snail, Coosa and Alabama rivers
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Cylindrical Lioplax* (*Lioplax cyclostomaformis*)
Bibb, Jefferson, Shelby, Talladega, Tuscaloosa

Flat Pebblesnail* (*Lepyrium showalteri*)
Bibb, Jefferson, Shelby, Tuscaloosa

Anthony's Riversnail* (*Athearnia anthonyi*)
Jackson, Limestone, Madison, Morgan

Interrupted Rocksnail* (*Leptoxis foremani*)
Cherokee, Elmore, Etowah

Painted Rocksnail (*Leptoxis taeniata*)
Calhoun, Chilton, Etowah, Shelby, St. Clair, Talladega

Plicate Rocksnail* (*Leptoxis plicata*)
Blount, Jefferson, Walker

Round Rocksnail (*Leptoxis ampla*)
Bibb, Chilton, Jefferson, Shelby, Tuscaloosa

Armored Snail* (*Pyrgulopsis pachyta*)
Limestone, Madison

Tulotoma Snail* (*Tulotoma magnifica*)
Autauga, Clarke, Coosa, Dallas, Elmore, Lowndes,
Monroe, Montgomery, Shelby, St. Clair, Talladega,
Wilcox

Shrimp

Alabama Cave Shrimp* (*Palaemonias alabamae*)
Jackson, Limestone, Madison, Marshall, Morgan



Alabama Cave Shrimp
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