

Faces of Bat Week:

Florida Bonneted Bat

Eumops floridanus



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Background

The Florida bonneted bat is found nowhere in the world but south Florida. At night they fly high in the sky, feeding on insects. During the day, they sleep in pine and palm tree cavities, beneath barrel tile roofs, and in bat houses. They are listed as endangered in the United States.

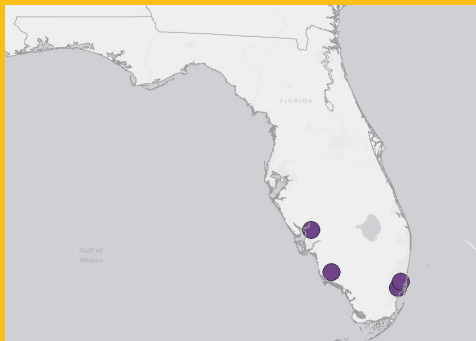
Current Threats

Loss of habitat is their biggest threat, including the destruction of natural roost sites and hurricane damage.

How You Can Help

- Report sightings to aid researchers
- Attend a local Bat Walk to learn more about this species
- Plant native flowers to attract insects
- Spread the word about Bat Week!

Range



Fun Facts

They are the largest bat species in Florida, about the size of a chipmunk.

They feed on pest insects, protecting our crops and lowering pesticide use.

Females typically only give birth to one pup each year.

Learn more by visiting FloridaBonnetedBat.org

