



Florida Scrub Lizard

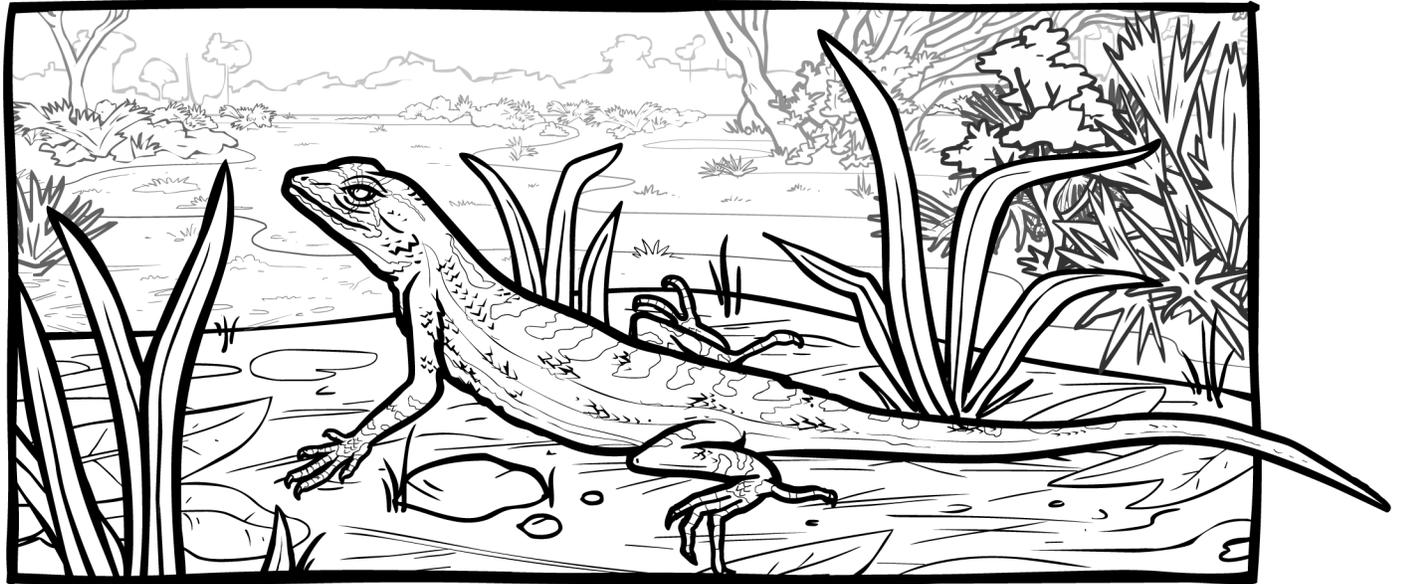
Florida Scrub Lizard *(Sceloporus woodi)*

Instant ID

- Small gray or gray-brown lizard with spiny scales
- Five inches in total length
- Has a thick brown stripe down each side from neck to tail
- Males have bright blue patches on bellies
- Females have wavy brown lines on backs

Native Niches

- Found most frequently in scrub habitats
- Like sunny areas with lots of bare sand near tree cover
- Most common in fire-maintained habitat
- Endemic to (only found in) Florida



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Favorite Foods

- Feeds on insects, spiders and sometimes other lizards
- Reduces feeding activity when it is too hot or too cold

Critter Characteristics

- Populations across the state have been isolated from each other
- Prefers not to move through dense vegetation

Population Protection

- Habitat loss has caused population decline and isolation
- Prescribed fire is a safe way to apply a natural process, ensure ecosystem health and reduce wildfire risk