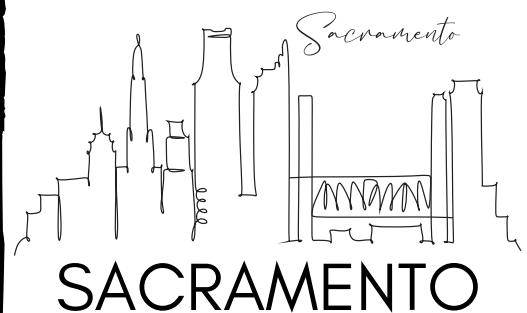




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CAPITAL



STATE NUMBER

31ST STATE

September 9, 1850

CALIFORNIA STATE FISH:

GARIBALDI



GRIZZLEY



# STATE FLAG



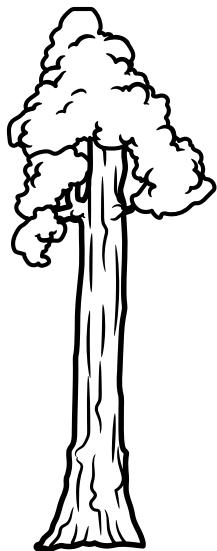
**By definition, a Republic is a representative form of government that is ruled according to The Constitution**



The Great Seal of the State of California was designed and approved at the 1849 Monterey Constitutional Convention. The complex imagery on the Great Seal serves as a snapshot in time, capturing some of the main issues facing the convention members. These included many activities and localities in the future state that were important to them – mining, farming and water transportation.

After the Constitutional Convention, the first set of seals were engraved, with further changes following over the next century. The Great Seal also includes two other state symbols: the grizzly bear and the state motto “Eureka.”. The Seal’s 31 stars symbolize California’s admission into the Union in 1850 as the 31st state. The State Seal is stamped on official documents including California driver’s licenses.

## CALIFORNIA STATE TREE: REDWOOD



The Coast Redwood is the tallest tree in the world. They are 400 feet high, 100 feet wide and grow 2-10 feet a year. Weighing 1.4 million pounds,



## STATE FLOWER: POPPY

On March 2, 1903 the California poppy, became the official state flower of California



## STATE BIRD: QUAIL

The California Quail is California's state bird

The State Motto that appears on the State Seal is the Greek word Eureka - which means "I have found it!"

The Golden State became the official State Nickname in 1968. The name has only grown in popularity, recalling not just the Gold Rush, but the seemingly limitless possibilities of California. The California Maritime Academy named its first training ship the Golden State.

