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#### LIST OF KANSAS FRESHWATER MUSSELS

Common Name	Scientific Name	Mussels occurring in Kansas River
Mucket (T/E)	<i>Actinonaias ligamentina</i>	
Slippershell mussel *	<i>Alasmidonta viridis</i>	
Elktoe (T/E)	<i>Alasmidonta marginata</i>	
Threeridge	<i>Amblema plicata</i>	
Flat floater (T/E)	<i>Anodonta suborbiculata</i>	
Giant floater	<i>Pyganadon grandis</i>	Yes
Paper pondshell	<i>Anodonta imbecillis</i>	
Cylindrical papershell	<i>Anodontoides ferussacianus</i>	
Rock pocketbook (T/E)	<i>Arcidens confragosus</i>	
Western fanshell (T/E)	<i>Cyprogenia aberti</i>	
Butterfly (T/E)	<i>Ellipsaria lineolata</i>	
Spike	<i>Elliptio dilitata</i>	

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Snuffbox *	<i>Epioblasma tiquetra</i>	
Wabash pigtoe	<i>Fusconaia flava</i>	
Plain pocketbook	<i>Lampsilis cardium</i>	
Neosho mucket (T/E)	<i>Lampsilis rafinesqueana</i>	
Fat mucket	<i>Lampsilis siliquoidea</i>	Yes (weathered/relict shells)
Yellow sandshell	<i>Lampsilis teres</i>	Yes (weathered/relict shells)
Fluted-shell (T/E)	<i>Lasmigona costata</i>	
White heelsplitter	<i>Lasmigona complanata</i>	Yes
Fragile papershell	<i>Leptodea fragilis</i>	Yes
Black sandshell *	<i>Ligumia recta</i>	
Pondmussel	<i>Ligumia subrostrata</i>	Yes (weathered/relict shells)
Washboard	<i>Megaloniaias nervosa</i>	
Threehorn wartyback	<i>Obliquaria reflexa</i>	Yes (weathered/relict shells)
Hickorynut *	<i>Obovaria olivaria</i>	Yes (weathered/relict shells)
Round pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema coccineum</i>	
Pink heelsplitter	<i>Potamilus alatus</i>	Yes
Pink papershell	<i>Potamilus ohioensis</i>	Yes
Bleufer	<i>Potamilus pupuratus</i>	
Ouachita kidneyshell (T/E)	<i>Ptychobranhus occidentalis</i>	
Rabbitsfoot (T/E)	<i>Quadrula cylindrical</i>	
Monkeyface	<i>Quadrula metanevra</i>	
Wartyback	<i>Quadrula nodulata</i>	

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Pimpleback	<i>Quadrula pustulosa</i>	Yes (weathered/relict shells)
Mapleleaf	<i>Quadrula quadrula</i>	Yes
Creeper	<i>Strophitus undulates</i>	
Lilliput	<i>Toxolasma parvus</i>	
Pistolgrip	<i>Tritogonia verrucosa</i>	
Deertoe	<i>Truncilla truncata</i>	Yes (weathered/relict shells)
Fawnsfoot	<i>Truncilla donaciformis</i>	Yes
Pondhorn	<i>Unio merus tetralasmus</i>	Yes
Ellipse (T/E)	<i>Venustaconcha ellipsiformis</i>	
Purple wartyback	<i>Cyclonaias tuberculata</i>	
Asiatic Clam	<i>Corbicula fluminea</i>	Yes (introduced species)

\* Extirpated in Kansas

(T/E) = Threatened or Endangered in Kansas



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