

# Wood Frog

## Wood Frog (*Rana sylvatica*) - Pl.35

**Identification:** 1 3/8" - 3 1/4". A dark mask marks the face of the Wood Frog. This key identifying mark starts at the nose as a thin dark line that abruptly widens at the eye, runs through the tympanum, then rapidly narrows to a point. The ground color ranges from pink to brown. The back is usually plain, occasionally marked by a light line running down the middle of the back. Dorsolateral ridges are present.

**Where to find them:** Typically found in moist, wooded areas. Breed in vernal pools and are considered vernal pool obligates in the state. Often found in the woods away from water outside of breeding season.

**When to find them:** An early breeder, late February (in south) - May.

**Voice:** Sounds something like the quack of a duck.

**Range:** Entire state, but fairly uncommon in core Pinelands.

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### Key Features

- Ground color varies from pink to brown.
- Dark mask extends backwards from nose.
- Dorsolateral ridges present.



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