

DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN SPOTTED AND TIGER SALAMANDERS

Spotted salamanders were documented in Minnesota in 2001 and are known to occur in Pine and Carlton counties. This species inhabits mature mixed deciduous-coniferous forests and breeds in shallow woodland pools.

- Rounded yellow spots occur in two irregular rows down the back
- Spots on the head may be orange
- Unmarked gray belly



Please report sightings of Spotted Salamanders to Carol Hall:
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The **Tiger salamander** occurs throughout most of Minnesota and closely resembles the Spotted Salamander. Tiger salamanders live in a variety of habitats including residential and agricultural areas. They are often found trapped in window wells after spring or fall rains.

- Yellow spots occur on the back, sides, and belly and are highly variable in size and pattern.

