



## Salamander Mask

### *Austin's Salamanders*

Austin is home to three species of aquatic salamander that occur no where else in the world except in and around this city: Barton Springs Salamander, Austin Blind Salamander, and Jollyville Plateau Salamander.

These salamanders live under water their entire lives and oxygen exchange occurs through their skin and gills.



### *Color*

- Barton Springs Salamander – cream to pale pink to lavender
- Austin Blind Salamander – pearly white to lavender
- Jollyville Plateau Salamander – light brown
- Gills on all species are bright pink or red.



*The Barton Springs Salamander was listed as an endangered species in 1997.*

Learn more at:

**[austintexas.gov/salamanders](http://austintexas.gov/salamanders)**