

# AMERICAN GREEN TREE FROG

*Dryophytes cinereus*  
Schneider, 1799



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## CLASSIFICATION

**Class:** Amphibia

**Order:** Anura

**Family:** Hylidae

No recognized subspecies



NOT LISTED

FAIRLY COMMON



## LEAST CONCERN

**Identification** : Adults can reach a total length of 6.2 cm. Smooth skin and long legs. Females are larger than males. Coloration from bright green to light yellow-green or brown with faint golden spots on back. White belly. White stripe on flanks and cheeks.

**Range**: The species occurs in North America and is endemic to USA, being found in eastern and central parts of the country, from Virginia to Florida, east to Texas.

**Habitat** : Swamps, marshes, ponds, rivers and streams with aquatic vegetation.

**Behavior**: Solitary, mostly active during moist weather. Gathers in big groups during breeding (influenced by rain). Mostly eats small insects.

**Status in the wild**: The species has a fairly large range and remains globally common despite habitat modification. Captured for the pet trade but that's no threat.

**In captivity**: The species is fairly common in American zoos and occurs in nearly 20 European public collections. It is often bred but mostly in private collections where the species seems commoner than zoos. Often sold in reptile markets and shops.