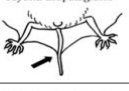
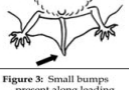
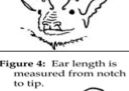

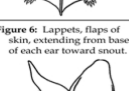
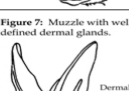
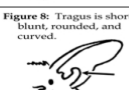




**DICHOTOMOUS KEY  
FOR THE  
BATS OF UTAH**

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FIGURE	STEP	DIAGNOSTIC
<p>Figure 1: Tail extends &gt;5 mm beyond uropatagium.</p> 	<b>1</b>	<p>a. Tail extends beyond rear edge of uropatagium (interfemoral membrane) by more than 5 mm [Figure 1]. <b>GO TO: 2 FAMILY: Molossidae</b></p> <p>b. Tail does not extend beyond rear edge of uropatagium or only slightly (≤5 mm) [Figure 2]. <b>GO TO: 3 FAMILY: Vespertilionidae</b></p>
<p>Figure 2: Tail does not extend more than 5 mm beyond uropatagium.</p> 	<b>2</b>	<p>a. Ears do not join at the base, small bumps are present along the ear's front edge. Ears barely extend past the snout when laid forward. Tail generally does not extend &gt;25 mm past interfemoral membrane; usually extends ~19 mm. Fur is generally uni-colored, darkish gray/brown, species often exudes strong, musty odor. <b>BRAZILIAN FREE-TAILED BAT (<i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>)</b></p> <p>b. Ears join at the base, small bumps along the front edges of the ear are not present [Figure 3]. Ears extend well beyond the snout when laid forward. Tail generally extends at least 25 mm past interfemoral membrane. Fur is bi-colored, almost white at its base, distal color ranges from reddish-brown to black. <b>BIG FREE-TAILED BAT (<i>Nyctinomops macrotis</i>)</b></p>
<p>Figure 3: Small bumps present along leading edge of ears.</p> 	<b>3</b>	<p>a. Ears longer than 25 mm [Figure 4]. <b>GO TO: 4</b></p> <p>b. Ears shorter than 25 mm. <b>GO TO: 7</b></p>
<p>Figure 4: Ear length is measured from notch to tip.</p> 	<b>4</b>	<p>a. Three conspicuous white spots present on back, one on each shoulder and one on lower back; [Figure 5]. Ears are pink. <b>SPOTTED BAT (<i>Euderma maculatum</i>)</b></p> <p>b. Three dorsal spots not present. <b>GO TO: 5</b></p>
<p>Figure 5: Spotted bat's dorsal markings.</p> 	<b>5</b>	<p>a. Ears clearly separated at base; dorsal pelage is light brown to yellow, hairs lighter at base. <b>PALLID BAT (<i>Antrozous pallidus</i>)</b></p> <p>b. Ears joined at base. <b>GO TO: 6</b></p>
<p>Figure 6: Lappets, flaps of skin, extending from base of each ear toward snout.</p> 	<b>6</b>	<p>a. Each ear has lappet (flap of skin) near its base anteriorly, which extends forward toward snout [Figure 6]. Muzzle does not have well-defined dermal glands [Figure 7]. <b>ALLEN'S BIG-EARED BAT (<i>Idionycteris phyllotis</i>)</b></p> <p>b. Ears do not have basal lappets (flaps of skin) extending anteriorly. Muzzle does have a well-defined pair dermal glands. <b>TOWNSEND'S BIG-EARED BAT (<i>Corynorhinus townsendii</i>)</b></p>
<p>Figure 7: Muzzle with well defined dermal glands.</p> 	<b>7</b>	<p>a. Uropatagium (interfemoral membrane) heavily furred dorsally. <b>GO TO: 8</b></p> <p>b. Uropatagium (interfemoral membrane) not heavily furred dorsally. <b>GO TO: 10</b></p>
<p>Figure 8: Tragus is short, blunt, rounded, and curved.</p> 	<b>8</b>	<p>a. Weight is generally greater than 20 g; Light colored ears distinctly edged in black. Dorsal pelage pale yellow/brown at base, black/dark brown in middle and white/cream at tip. <b>HOARY BAT (<i>Lasiurus cinereus</i>)</b></p> <p>b. Weight is generally less than 20 g. Dorsal pelage is not pale yellow/brown at base, black/dark brown in middle and white/cream at tip. <b>GO TO: 9</b></p>
<p>Figure 9: Tragus is long, pointed, and straight.</p> 	<b>9</b>	<p>a. Fur color is dark brown to black with silver/white tips, giving a frosted appearance. <b>SILVERED-HAIRED BAT (<i>Lasionycteris noctivagans</i>)</b></p> <p>b. Fur color is not dark brown to black with silver/white tips, rather it is brick red to rust on upperparts with pale undersides. <b>WESTERN RED BAT (<i>Lasiurus blossevillii</i>)</b></p>
	<b>10</b>	<p>a. Tragus short (&lt;6 mm), blunt, rounded, and curved [Figure 8]. <b>GO TO: 11</b></p> <p>b. Tragus long (&gt;6 mm), pointed, and straight [Figure 9]. <b>GO TO: 12</b></p>