

Small Categories Series

Thunderbirds

The thunderbird is a legendary creature in certain North American indigenous peoples' history and culture. It is considered a supernatural being of power and strength. It is especially important, and frequently depicted, in the art, songs and oral histories of many Pacific Northwest Coast cultures, but is also found in various forms among some peoples of the American Southwest, East Coast of the United States, Great Lakes, and Great Plains.

The historians Adrienne Mayor and Tom Holland have suggested that stories of the Thunderbird were based on discoveries of pterosaur fossils by Native Americans.

In 1925, Aleuts were recorded as using the term to describe the Douglas World Cruiser aircraft which passed through Atka on the first aerial circumnavigation by a US Army team the previous year.

This is a colorful, if not widely known category. They can be found on Lodging, Restaurant, Casino and who knows what covers. 20-strikes and 30-strikes are the most common sizes; I have seen them on 40-strikes.

Carmine Arpino, CT, reported having 380 as of January 2011.

This can be another fun category to collect. Consider it!

