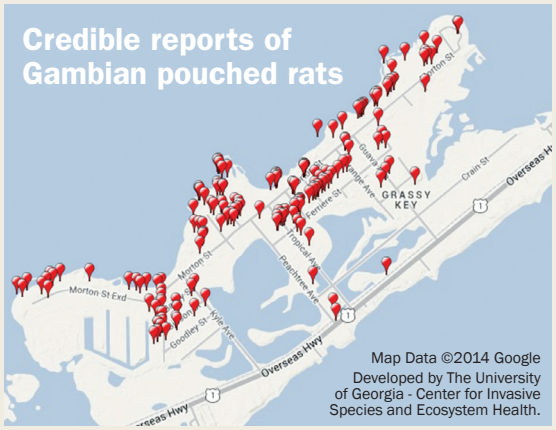
Have you seen a Gambian pouched rat?

These rats have been sighted on Grassy Key.

Gambian pouched rats are gray to brown in color with a paler belly and feet that are off-white. Most of the tail is dark gray while the final third is off-white.

This rat can be 20-35 inches in length and weigh 3 lbs. on average, which is much larger than other rat species.



Efforts to remove this invasive animal are ongoing and information regarding the presence of these animals can greatly assist wildlife managers in directing trapping efforts.

If you see a Gambian pouched rat:

1. Take a picture
2. Note the location
3. Report your sighting:
   - **Online** at IveGot1.org
   - **By phone** at 888-Ive-Got1 (888-483-4681)
   - **Download the IveGot1 reporting app**

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Black rat

Opossum

Raccoon

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