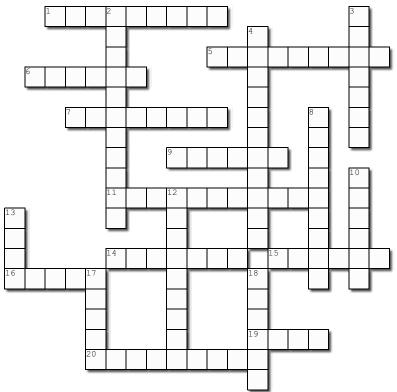
HIGH DESERT MUSEUM from home



High Desert Animals Crossword Puzzle

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Test how well you know the animals that call the High Desert Museum home. When you're done, draw a picture of your favorite animal at the Museum on the back of the paper. See if you can find any of these friends the next time you are out in nature. Enjoy!



Across

- 1. _____ owls are known for being diurnal, living in groups and nesting underground.
- 5. This mammal has 1,000s of quills to protect itself from predators.
- **6.** This mammal digs burrows like an expert using its very long and sharp claws.
- 7. This 8-legged creature is known for its stinging tail.
- 9. The peregrine _____ is the fastest animal on the planet.
- 11. The western _____ is the only venomous snake in Oregon.
- 14. The turkey _____ is known for being a scavenger and cleaning up the environment.
- 15. The _____ eagle is often found in a rimrock habitat.
- **16.** Rough-skinned _____ are easily recognized by their bright orange belies.
- **19.** The Swainson's _____ is known for its large migration route that can be over 12,000 miles.
- 20. This High Desert species of snake is known for eating other snakes.

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<u>Down</u>

- 2. This romp of mammals is fun to watch play and swim at the Museum (2 words).
- 3. The gila ____ is known for its venomous bite.
- 4. The ____(2 words) owl is easily recognized by its feather tufts on both sides of its head.
- **8.** The _____ (2 words) is one of the largest raptors and is easily recognized by its black and white colors.
- 10. The red-eared ____ is an invasive turtle species.
- 12. Male desert _____ can use their gular horn to flip each other over.
- 13. The _____ owl is a farmer's best friend and eats 1,000s of rodents in its lifetime.
- ${\bf 17}.$ This animal warns predators with its black and white colors, but its smelly spray will also do the trick.
- **18.** _____ snakes are known for imitating rattlesnakes and can be seen living with one at the High Desert Museum.