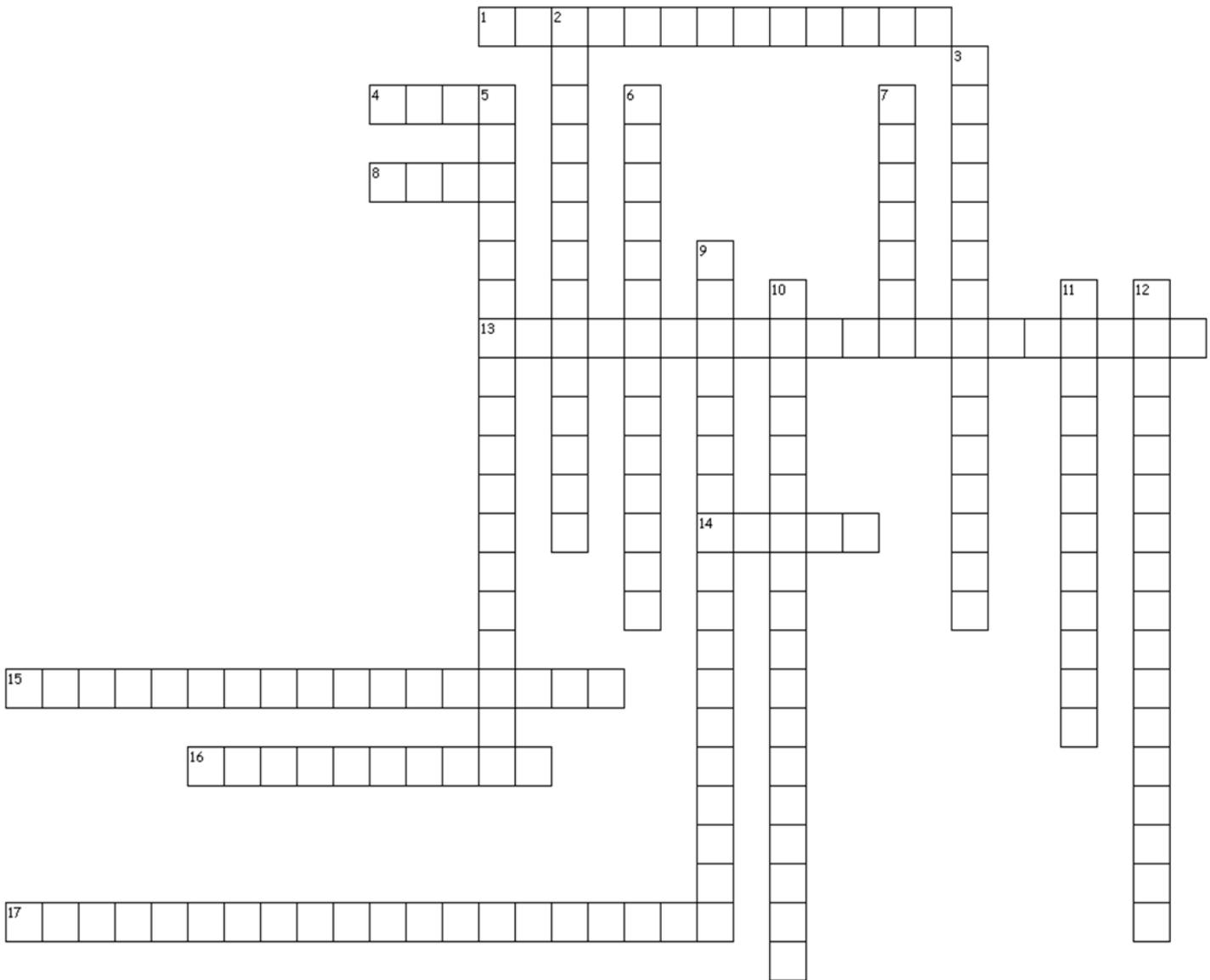


Critically Endangered Bird Species



Across

1. This species sticks out among its kind because it has a serrated bill, making slippery prey much easier to catch.
4. Starling the bright blue skin surrounding this bird's eye helps to make it look like a star.
8. This flightless bird is considered to be the "Ghost of the Forest" in its native home of New Caledonia.

13. This bird's unique bill helps this species dig up insects and other vertebrates.
14. This shy bird species has characteristically large feet and will abandon eggs to hatch all by themselves.
15. Unlike the ducks we find in our ponds and lakes, the world's rarest duck species doesn't tend to travel in flocks.
16. This ground dwelling bird loves the grasslands of its native home in Ethiopia.
17. It is thought that there are less than 250 of this ground-dwelling bird surviving in its native island nation

Down

2. The male birds of this grassland species are known to use their excellent flying abilities to attract a mate.
3. This bird can be spotted by the orange flap of skin under its neck called the dewlap. However, despite this noticeable feature the species was thought to be extinct until 1977.
5. This rare bird species is considered to be a new species to science since 2005.
6. This noisy species loves to eat sardines and anchovies. They can be spotted by the signature upside-down black horseshoe on their chest.
7. Mexico has a number of different subspecies of these birds, however the most common of these species are brightly colored and often kept as house pets.
9. These birds are notorious scavengers eating anything from fish to dead animal remains.
10. This Colombian bird species likes to live in pairs, oftentimes the same tow adult birds will live together their whole lives.
11. This bird of prey can be found in the Caribbean island of Hispanola eating mostly reptiles, which make up 90% of its diet.
12. This bird is best known for its striking cream white coat and bright red-orange tail feathers, which makes it a prize bird for the pet trade.

