

# Can you find at least 10 of these birds?

Captain John Smith navigated  
the Suffolk waterways in 1608.



1 Osprey



2 Caspian Tern

30 Brown Thrasher



29 Red Tailed Hawk



28 Great Crested Flycatcher



25 Eastern Kingbird



24 Bald Eagle



3 Barn Swallow



5 Grackle



4 Northern Cardinal

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
Brown Thrashers defend their territory by singing loudly from high perches.



6 American Robin

The wingspan of a Great Egret can be up to 1.5 meters!



8 Eastern Bluebird



7 Carolina Wren

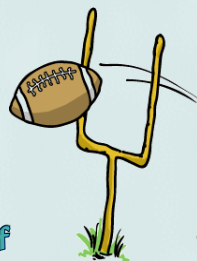


27 Carolina Chickadee



9 Blue Jay

Suffolk has 27,000 acres of tidal wetlands – that's the area of over 20,000 football fields!



17 Great Egret



21 Double Crested Cormorant



10 Tufted Titmouse



18 Mourning Dove



11 Great Blue Heron



12 Wood Duck



13 Canada Goose



14 Gadwall



16 Black Vulture



15 Laughing Gull

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
Male mourning doves lead their partner to nesting sites, & the female decides where to build their nest.

The Nansemond River is 23 miles long!



23 Red Bellied Woodpecker

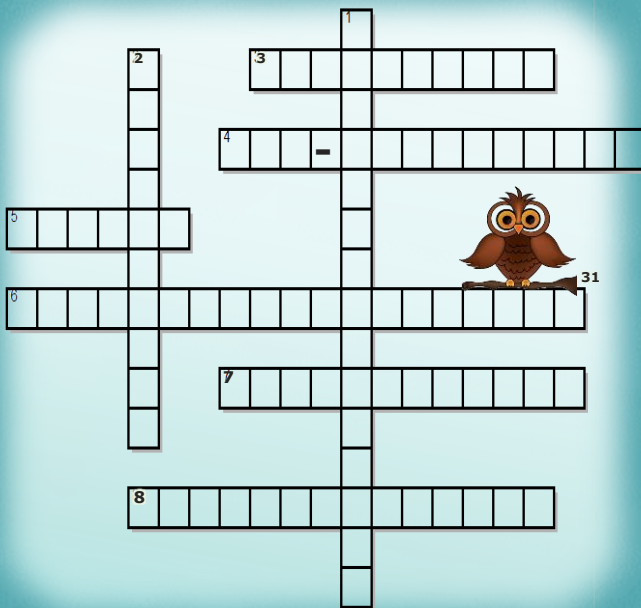


20 Pileated Woodpecker



19 Yellow Crowned Night Heron

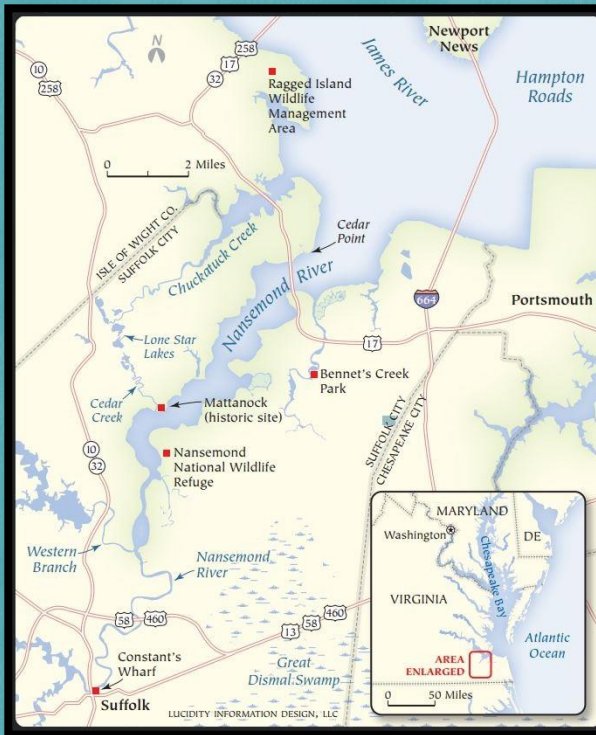
# CROSSWORD CHALLENGE



## WORD BANK

- |                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| SCREECH OWL           | GREAT EGRET      |
| OSPREY                | EASTERN KINGBIRD |
| RED-TAILED HAWK       | MOURNING DOVE    |
| NORTHERN MOCKING BIRD | TUFTED TITMOUSE  |

- 1) I'll perform displays of rapid up-and-down flight, zigzags, backwards somersaults, and other aerial acrobatics to attract a female.
- 2) At only 6 inches tall, I am the smallest owl found in North America.
- 3) I have a wingspan of up to 1.5 meters!
- 4) I soar through the air at speeds reaching 121 mph & spot a mouse from 100 feet in the air.
- 5) Males of my species will "dance" with a female by circling and diving high in the sky during courtship.
- 6) I like to mimic the sounds of animals around me, including frogs and other types of birds.
- 7) I am also commonly known as the "Turtle Dove."
- 8) Sometimes, one of my young will remain with me to help raise the next year's brood.



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# BIRDS OF THE SUFFOLK WATERWAYS



## Explore & Watch Them Soar!

*Nansemond River, Chuckatuck Creek, Bennett's Creek, and their tributaries and wetlands.*

