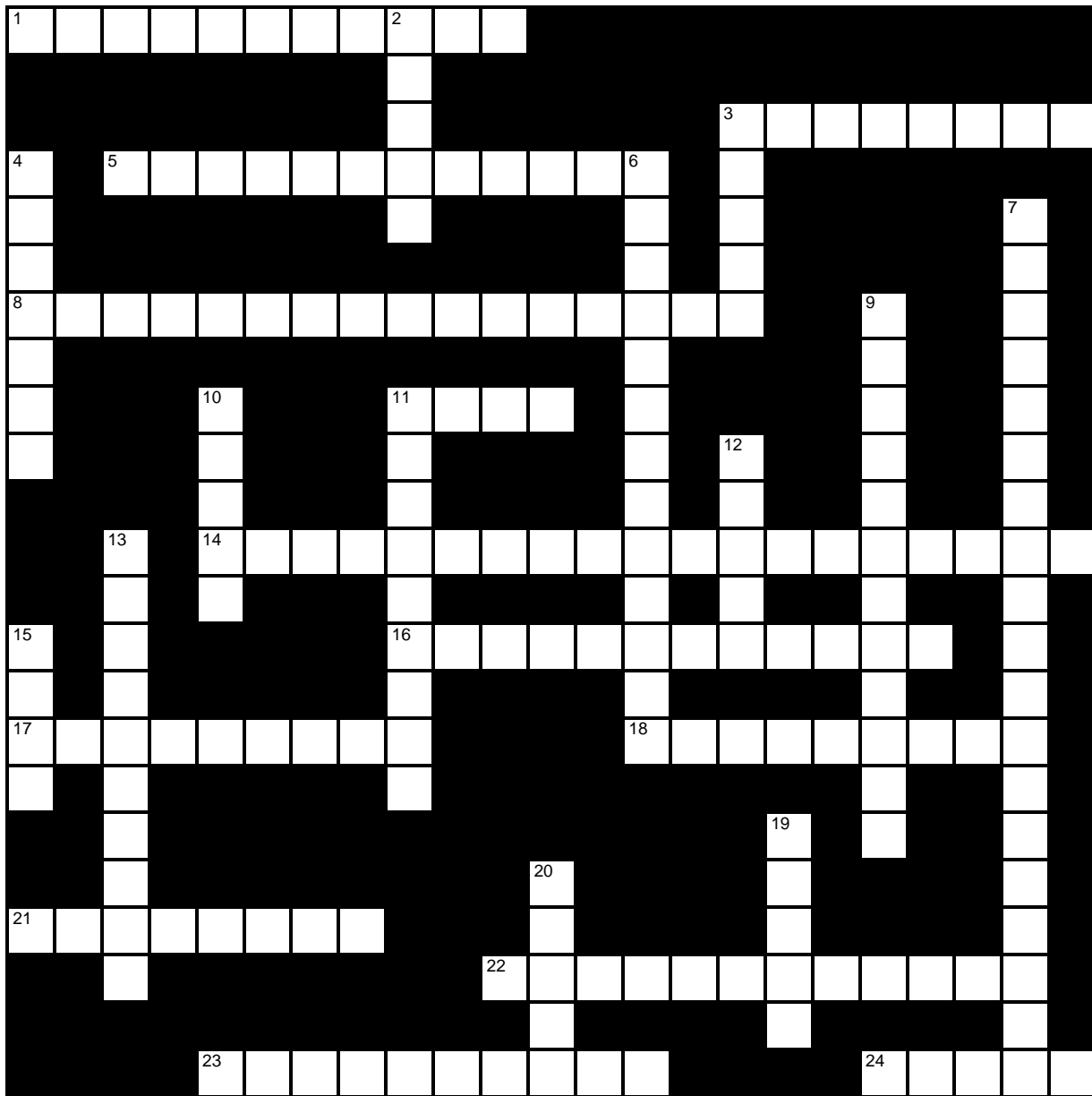


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Across

- 1 Its shape depends greatly on the amount and duration of flooding in the area, and varies from columnar to conical or bottle shaped. The bark is reddish-brown, fibrous, thin, and divided into small, flat ridges and shallow furrows. Leaves spread in flat planes in a feathery pattern on its branchlets. Designated a state tree in 1963 (4,7)
- 3 State flower of Louisiana (8)
- 5 Learning that stresses a hands-on experience (12)
- 8 Fastest eroding land in the United States (10,6)

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- 11 Educational system stressing science, technology, engineering and mathematics (4)
- 14 A trail which begins in a hard woods bottom land and meanders to a marsh with a bird rookery (8,6,5)
- 16 The protection, preservation, management or restoration of wildlife and of natural resources (12)
- 17 The primary goal of the South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center in regard to the population about wetlands concerns and solutions (9)
- 18 Changes in hydrology plus losses of wetlands are major causes of this type of intrusion (9)
- 21 Lands or areas (as marshes or swamps) that are covered often intermittently with shallow water or have soil saturated with moisture (8)
- 22 The birds, depending almost entirely on fish for food, scoop up quantities of water into their pouches as they seize prey from salt water; became Louisiana's official bird on July 27, 1966 (5,7)
- 23 A natural sinking process of the deltaic lands of the lower Mississippi River (10)
- 24 An embankment built to prevent a river or body of water from overflowing (5)

Down

- 2 A white bird with a yellow bill and black legs and feet that bear long plumes during the breeding season (5)
- 3 A tract of soft wet land usually characterized by grasses or cattails (5)
- 4 Tall reedy marsh plant with brown furry fruiting spikes and long flat leaves used especially for making mats and chair seats (7)
- 6 A magnificent flower seen growing wild mainly in damp, marshy locations in Louisiana's coastal areas color ranges from pale blue to deep indigo. It became the official wildflower in 1990 (9,4)
- 7 Largest and most economically vital estuary in the United States (9-10)
- 9 Used by local Indians to make baskets (8,4)
- 10 A wetland often partially or intermittently covered with water; *especially*: one dominated by woody vegetation (5)
- 11 A stout tall perennial grass that has a large terminal panicle and is used to be widely grown in Terrebonne parish as a source of sugar (9)
- 12 The seat of Terrebonne Parish is known as the Venice of America because of its many waterways and bayous (5)
- 13 Industrial point discharges and high volume sewage discharges (10)
- 15 Tall grass with slender often prominently jointed stem that grow in wet areas especially along river and bayou banks (4)
- 19 A building that shows increased efficiency in its use of energy, water and materials, and reduced impact on the environment (5)
- 20 A long-necked and long-legged wading bird with a long tapering bill, large wings, and soft plumage (5)