

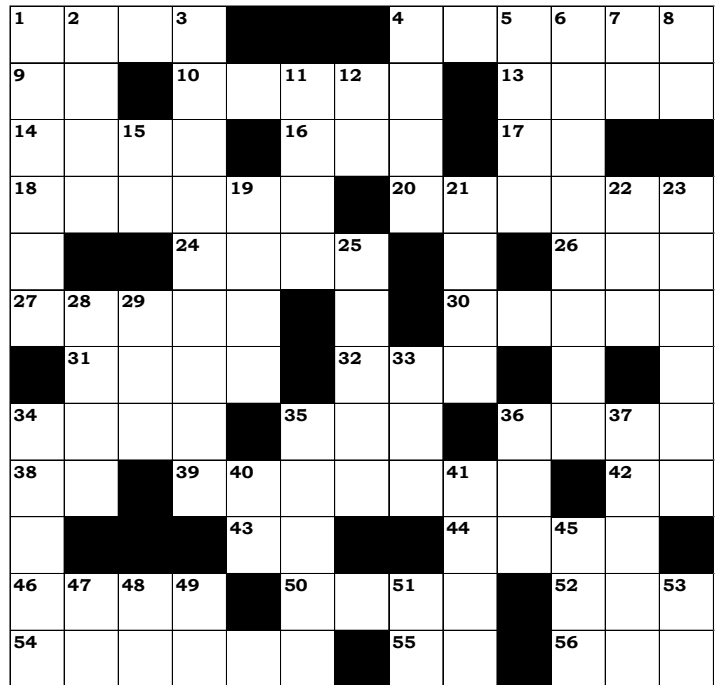


## Puzzle #708

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### ACROSS

1. From prairies to garden plots, flower \_\_\_\_ to city parks, plants native to Missouri are aesthetic, practical and good for soil and native life.
4. What a turkey hunter wants to hear.
9. Ultraviolet (\_\_\_\_) rays can cause skin cancer.
10. Old Testament prophet; his prophetic message was profoundly deepened by his painful experience in his married life; 35th book of the Bible.
13. "Mares eat \_\_\_\_" — opening lyrics of the ditty "Mairzy Doats and Dozy Doats," Mother Goose rhyme.
14. This Nevada city calls itself "The Biggest Little City in the World."
16. Letters after the name of the Order of Friars Minor (Franciscans); founded by St. Francis of Assisi in 1209.
17. Raleigh is this State's largest city. Supposedly, people from there settled in Pulaski County, Mo. and named their new little city after their former city. Their southern drawl, however rendered it by their listeners as Rolla (abbr.).
18. Native seeds naturally drop to the \_\_\_\_ in late fall and winter, their growing season, producing grasses and wildflowers adapted to our environment.
20. Native plants have tendril systems underground deeper than turf grass or \_\_\_\_ flowers and so are much more drought tolerant.
24. Jacob's first wife whom he unfortunately, was tricked into marrying by his uncle (Genesis 29:15-27).
26. A laundry detergent.
27. \_\_\_\_ Island; this State, distrustful of a powerful federal gov't., was the only one of the 13 colonies to refuse to send delegates to the Constitutional Convention, 1787-89.
30. 1 or 2 \_\_\_\_ of native prairie can absorb well over 10" of rainfall per hour without water runoff which helps prevent erosion and flooding.
31. Dorothy & friends were \_\_\_\_ and overwhelmed by the pyrotechnics of the Wizard of Oz.
32. "The stress of everyday life is getting to me. I need a \_\_\_\_cation!"
34. "\_\_\_\_ the river and through the woods to grandmother's house I go..." --Thanksgiving poem by Lydia Maria Child in 1844 in "Flowers for Children, Vol. 2."
35. Many kinds of native plants are perennials and will grow and bloom year after year with very \_\_\_\_ to minimal maintenance.
36. "...which will be poured out for you and for \_\_\_\_" —from the words of consecration at Mass.
38. Letters for American Eagle, outfitters for jeans, T's, shoes and more. 9 locations in Mo., including Columbia.
39. There are 450 \_\_\_\_ of native bees in Mo., including bumblebees. Tomatoes and blackberries require "buzz" pollination, pro-



- vided almost exclusively by this native bee.
  42. Bone.
  43. Original 12-step grp.
  44. Things got so quiet that you could hear \_\_\_\_ drop (2 wds.).
  46. Cross letters.
  50. Diverse native plant environments have big \_\_\_\_ systems preventing quick rain run-off and so enabling water to infiltrate the soil and be slowly and cleanly released into springs, creeks, and rivers.
  52. Alice in Wonderland discovered the Mad Hatter at a never-ending \_\_\_\_ party.
  54. Grasses and wildflowers native to Mo. are better able to withstand our \_\_\_\_ weather changes, and thrive when others wilt.
  55. \_\_\_\_ I was saying...
  56. Abbr. for the 19th book of the Bible.
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1. Booches restaurant and pool hall in downtown Columbia was founded in 1884. Known for its wall witticisms, esp. "Closed on Sunday, see you in church," it has been named more than once by *USA Today* as one of the top 10 \_\_\_\_ places in America.
  2. Word often linked as a suffix to "for."
  3. "And when he does find it, he sets it on his \_\_\_\_ with great joy..." (Luke 15:5).
  4. Native plants benefit native animals. Songbirds, \_\_\_\_ birds, deer and their fawns, nesting turkeys, and protein-rich insects all thrive in their natural environments.
  5. Sonny \_\_\_\_ was a songwriter/singer/politician who partnered with his second wife as the 60's duo Sonny and Cher.
  6. From beneficial \_\_\_\_ in the soil to insects, bees, birds and mammals, native plants affect the entire food chain.
  7. Letters on a car that traditionally stand for Luxury Touring,
  8. In a school grading system, letters for Exceeds Standards.
  11. Crown Candy Kitchen in St. Louis has been a St. Louis staple since 1913 and is famous for being one of the oldest \_\_\_\_

- fountains in the U.S.
12. 6th letter of the alphabet.
  15. Nein in New York.
  19. "Don't give people what they want, give them what they \_\_\_\_\_," —Joss Whedon, comic book writer.
  21. One of Superman's powers is his \_\_\_\_\_ vision.
  22. Anger.
  23. Convenience store/gas station, also known for its pizza.
  25. The storm wreaked \_\_\_\_\_ on her garden.
  28. "Samuel asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you \_\_\_\_\_?'" (1 Samuel 16:11)
  29. Part of IOU.
  33. Letters for Am. War of Independence; also referred to as the Am. Revolutionary War, 1775-1783.
  34. Desert watering hole.
  35. "\_\_\_\_\_ a lesson from the fig tree," (Mark 13:28).
  36. Letters for the Missouri State Penitentiary, the historic former prison in Jeff. City where tours have become a popular tourist draw.
  37. \_\_\_\_\_ is Bishop Robert Barron's coined phrase for the growing number of young who are religiously unaffiliated. Bishop Barron is chair of the U.S. Bishops Com. on Evangelization and Catechesis.
  40. Home State of the Eagles & Steelers (abbr.).
  41. "Therefore whoever \_\_\_\_\_ the bread unworthily... will have to answer..." (1 Corinthians 11:27).
  45. Suffix for Israel.
  47. Text abbr. for next up or new user.
  48. Related to Ave. or Hwy.
  49. The Wizard of \_\_\_\_\_ comic strip, where the King's subjects are known as "Idiots."
  51. The director of the Mo. Office of Admin. (\_\_\_\_\_) has the very important job of coordinating the central management functions of State gov't.
  53. \_\_\_\_\_ first I didn't understand.