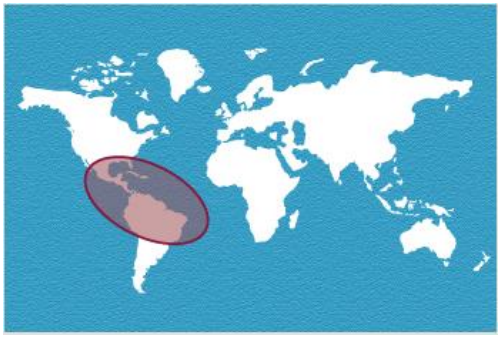
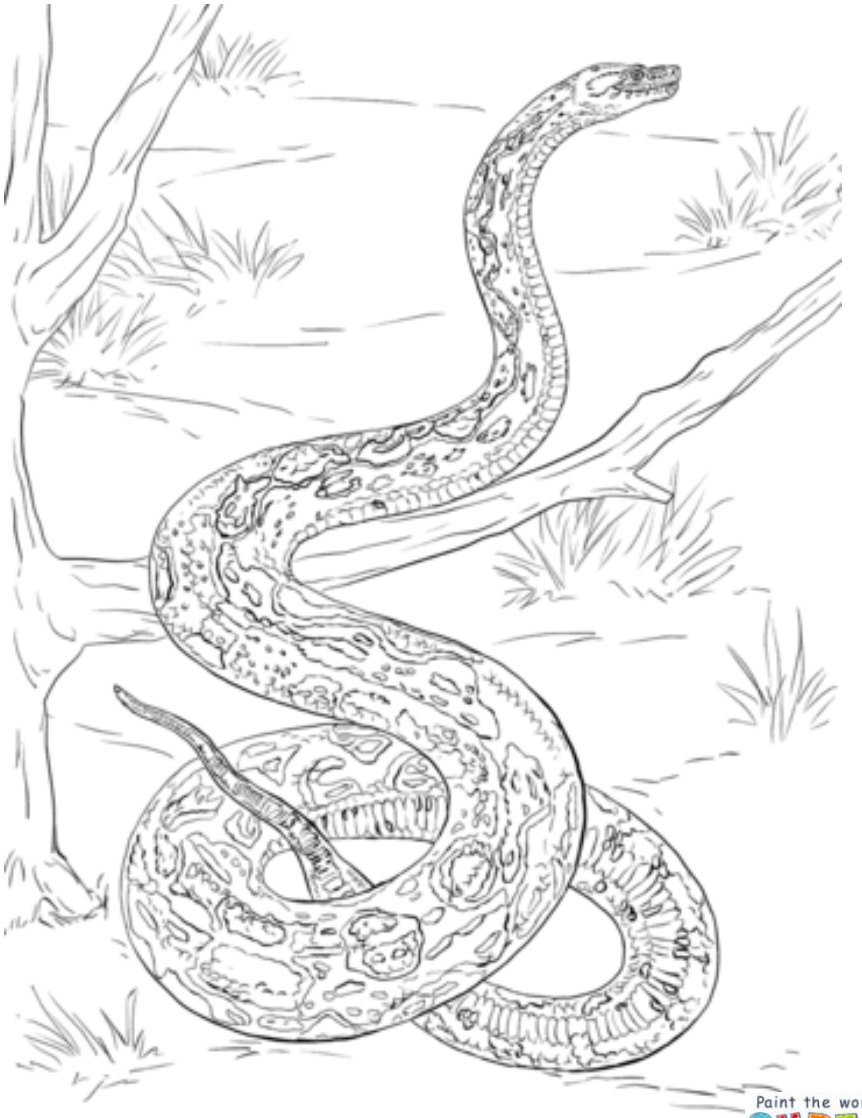
Columbian red-tailed boas are one of the 9 accepted sub-species of boa constrictors! Boa constrictors kill their prey not with venom, but by squeezing – or constricting – the animal. Female red-tailed boas can reach ~10 ft in length while the males only reach ~5-7 ft in length. In human care, boas can live to be 40 years old!



Columbian red-tailed boas live in the treetops of rainforests and other wooded areas in Central and South America. Another word for an animal that lives in the trees is *arboreal*! Boas are predators, and in the wild the red-tailed boa will eat monkeys, capybaras, caiman and wild pigs! Here at ZooMontana the red-tailed boas eat rodents like mice and rats.

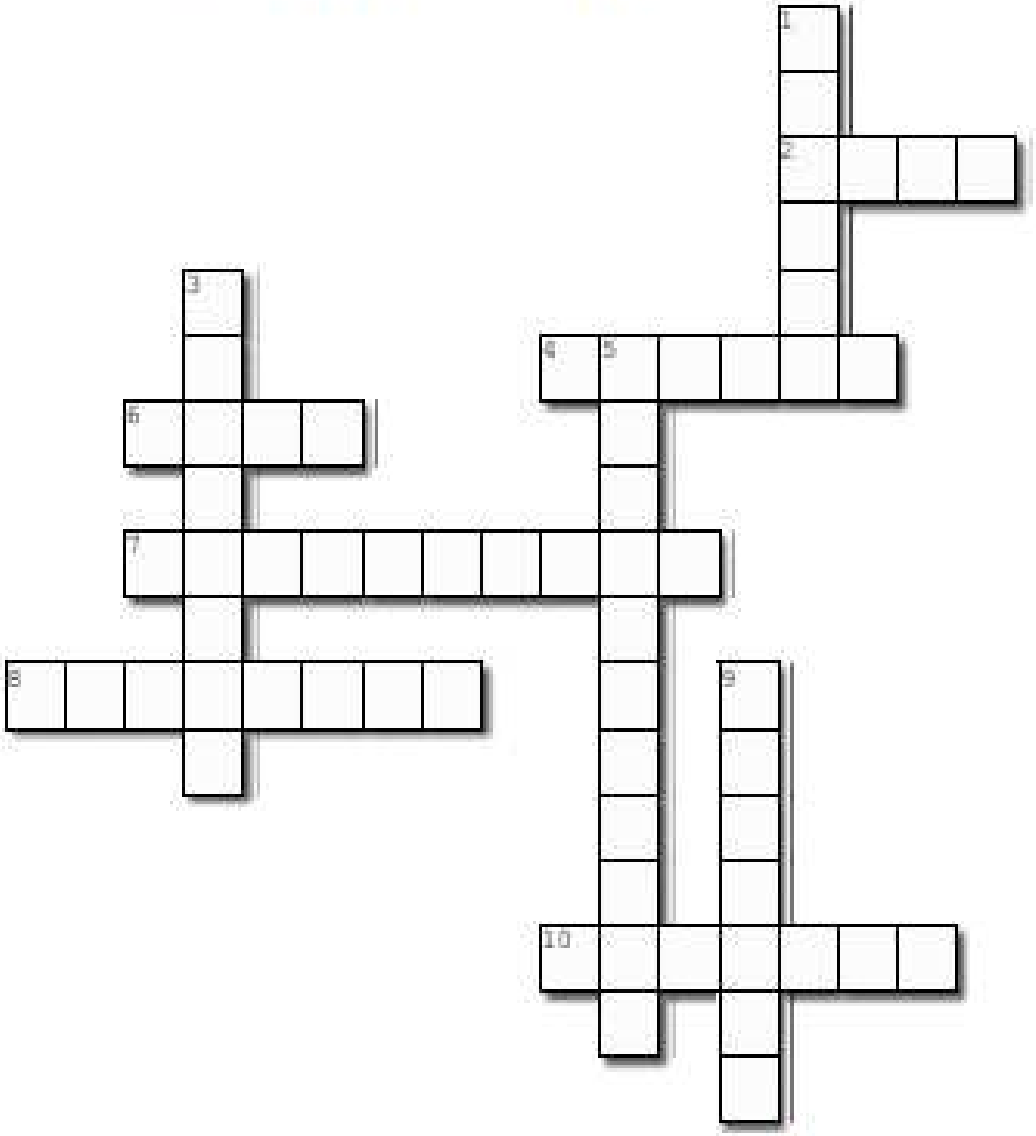
- Before the red-tailed boas called ZooMontana home, they used to be someone's pet. This person didn't know how to take care of a large snake, so it was crucial that the animals were brought to a better home.
- Boa constrictors like to live alone!
- Boa constrictors do not have heat-sensing pits to find their prey. Instead, they use their tongue to pick up smells in the environment to hunt!

Can you color in this boa constrictor?



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Across

2. How many subspecies of red-tailed boa are there?
4. Reptiles like snakes don't have fur, instead they have this.
6. Snakes slither because they don't have....
7. The habitat that red-tailed boas live in.
8. If an animal lives in the treetops, you can say it's this.
10. What ZooMontana feeds a red-tailed boa.

Down

1. What a red tailed boa uses to smell.
3. Another word for carnivore.
5. A red-tailed boa is this type of snake!
9. Another word for constrict.