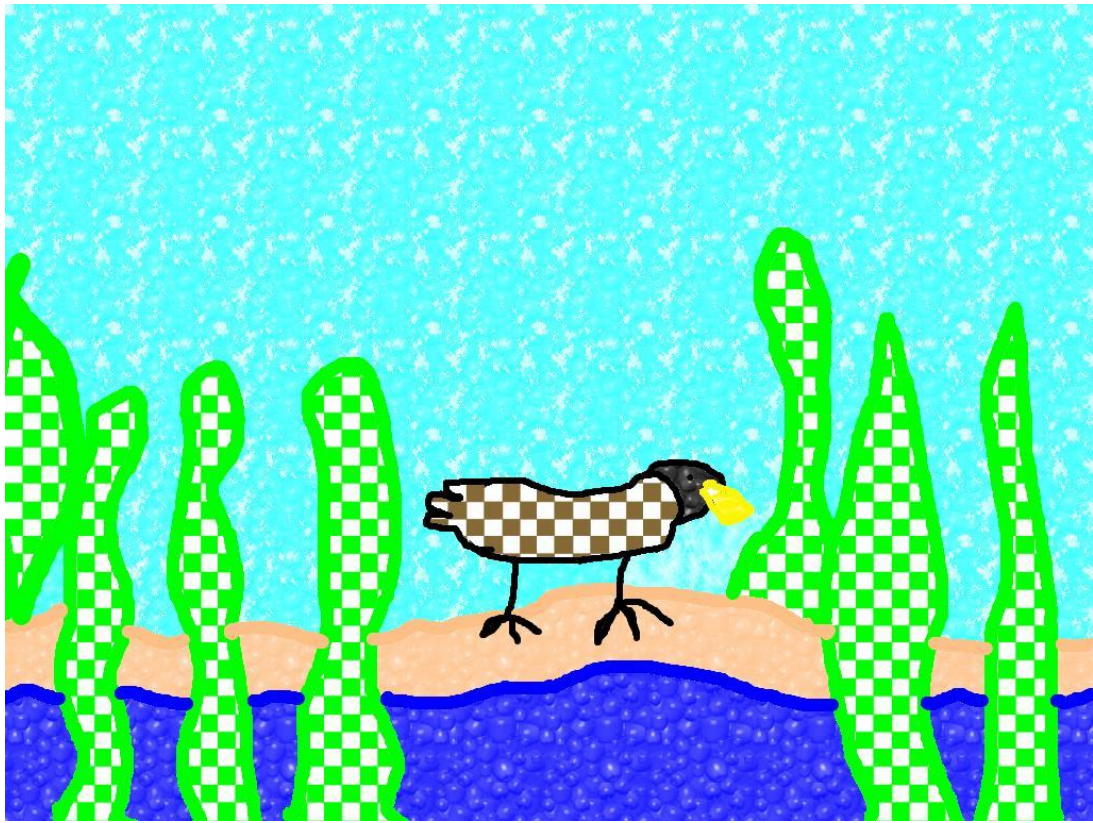


Osprey

Spring 2016



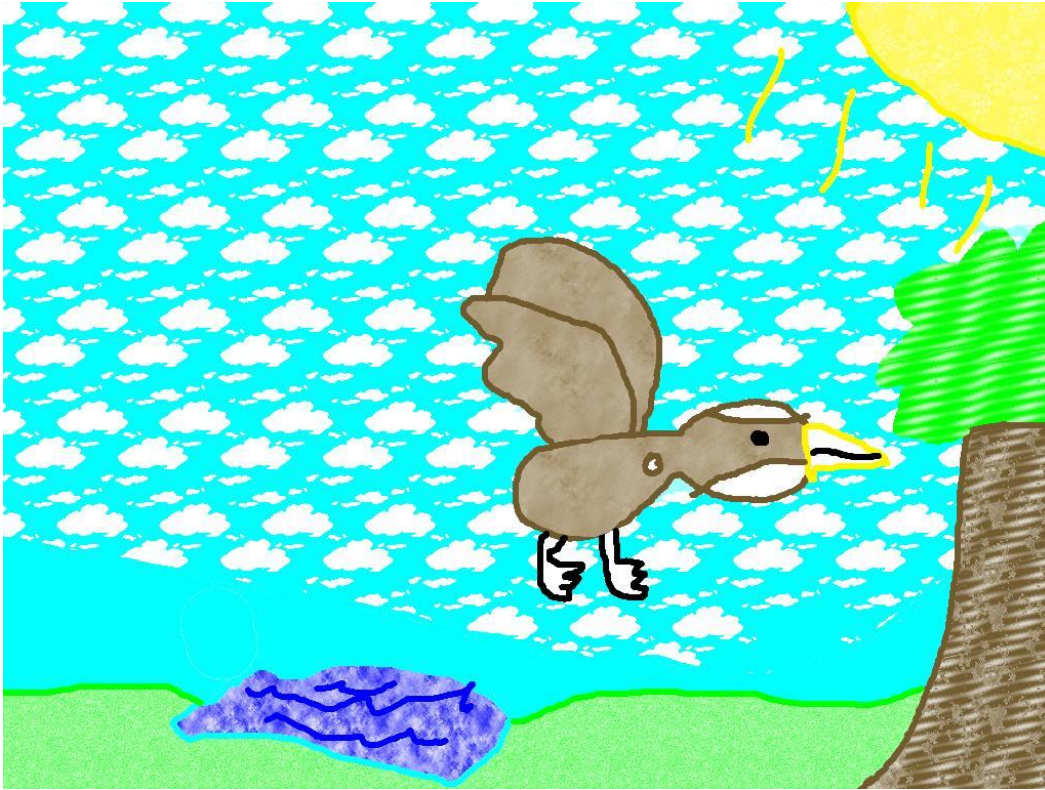
Habitat



Osprey live near water in salt marshes.

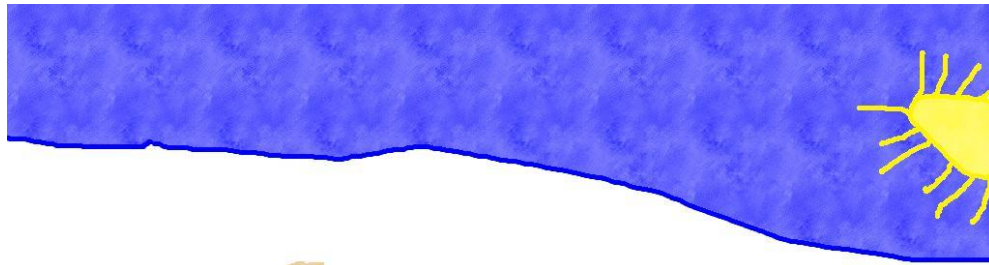


Ospreys build stick nests on top of poles in the water.



They can live in ponds because they eat fish.

Diet



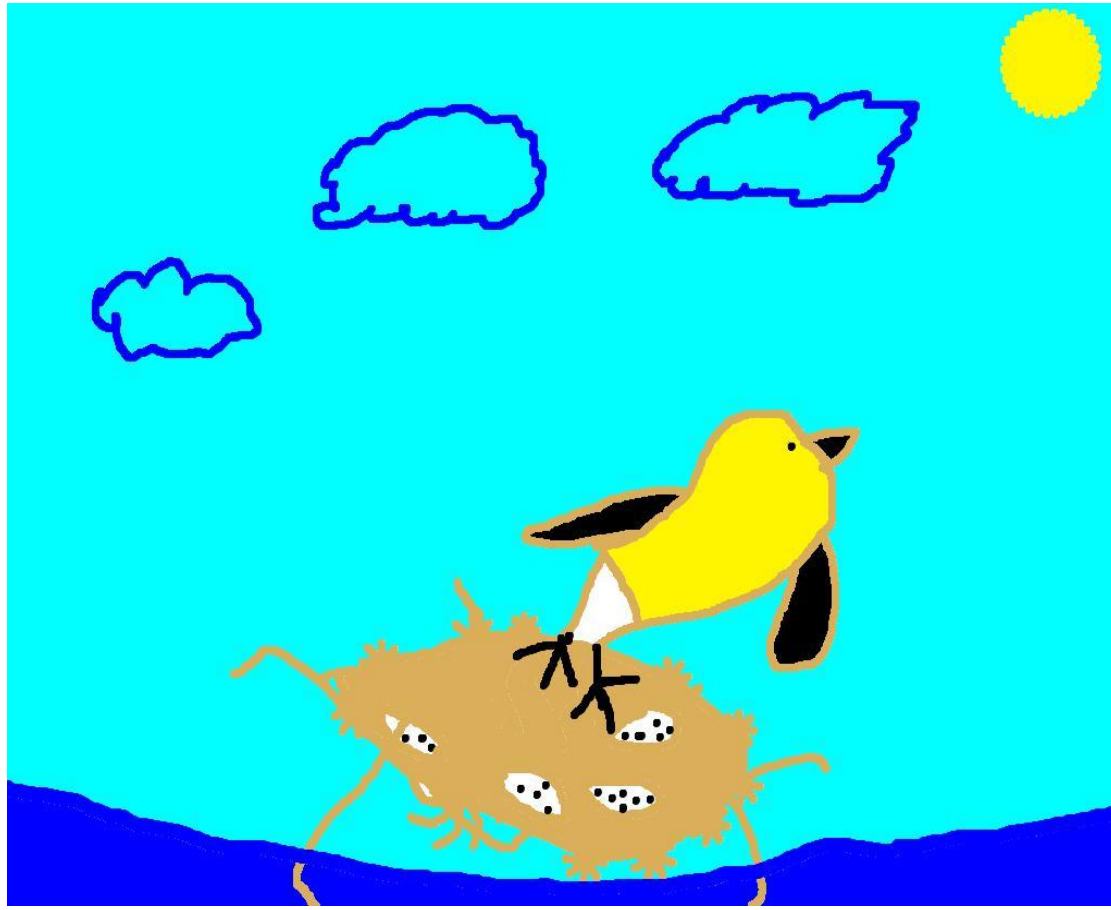
Osprey eat voles and mice.



Osprey like to eat saltwater fish.

They eat salamanders.

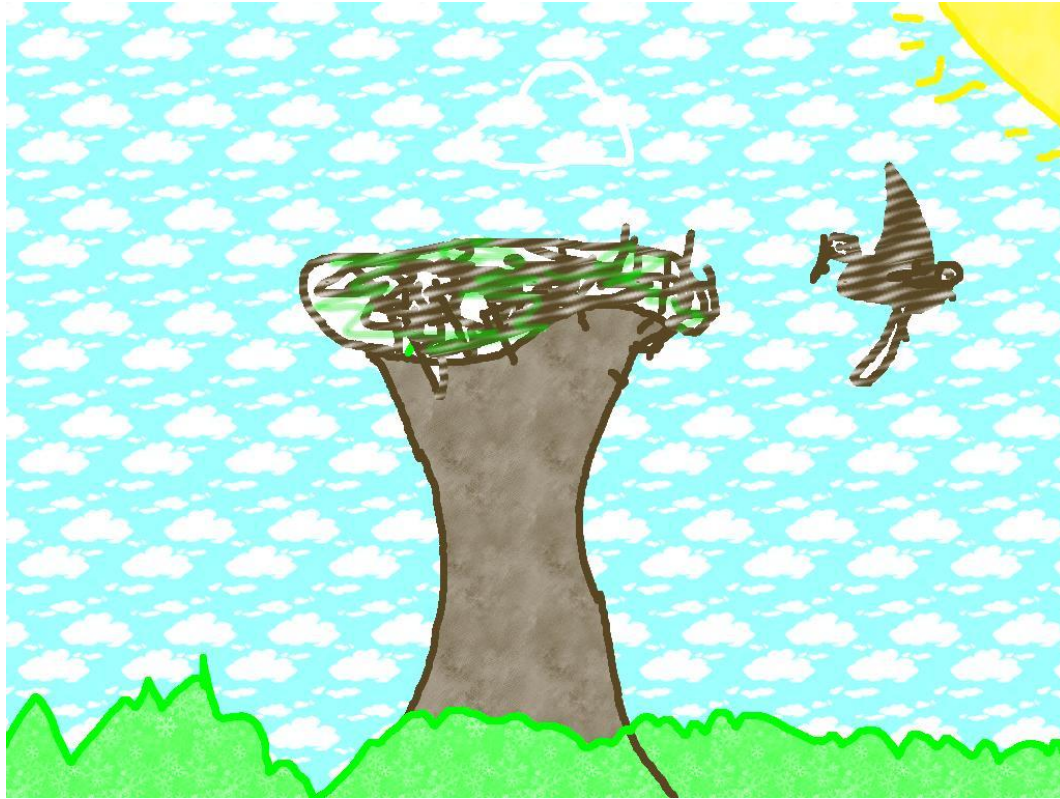
Nest/Egg Facts



Ospreys lay 1-4 eggs. They are white with brown spots.



The Osprey nest is built on Snags ,treetops ,or crotches between large branches or trunks.

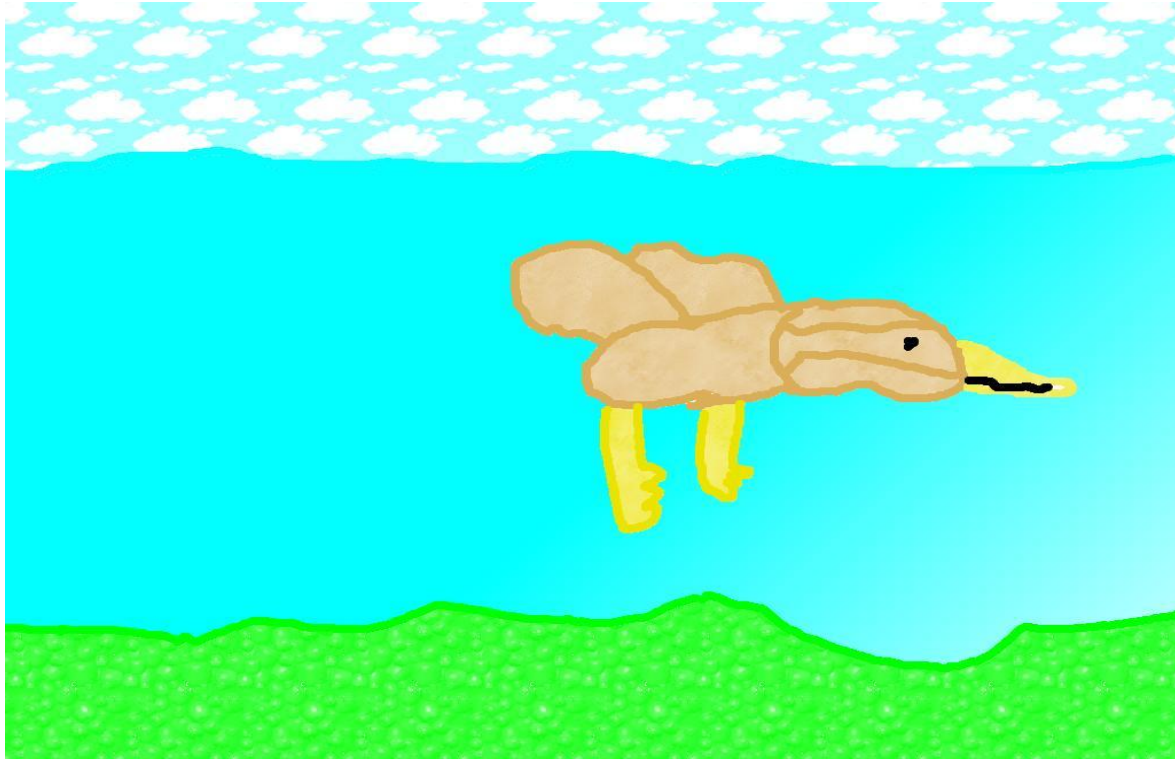


Males get most of the nesting material. The material are sticks and bark, sod, grasses, vines, or algae.

Appearance



The baby ospreys have yellow and black eyes. Also the baby osprey has a brown tail. And it has black claws. They also have a white neck.



Ospreys have light brown and black wings and white breast and yellow eyes.

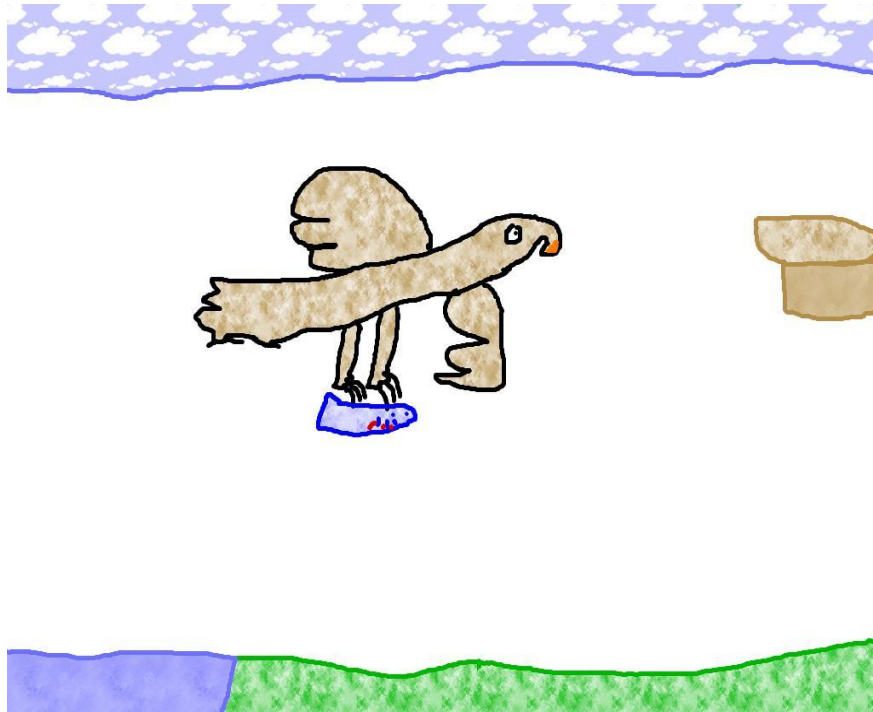
Behavior



My group learned that Ospreys are known for diving into the water and grabbing a fish to eat.

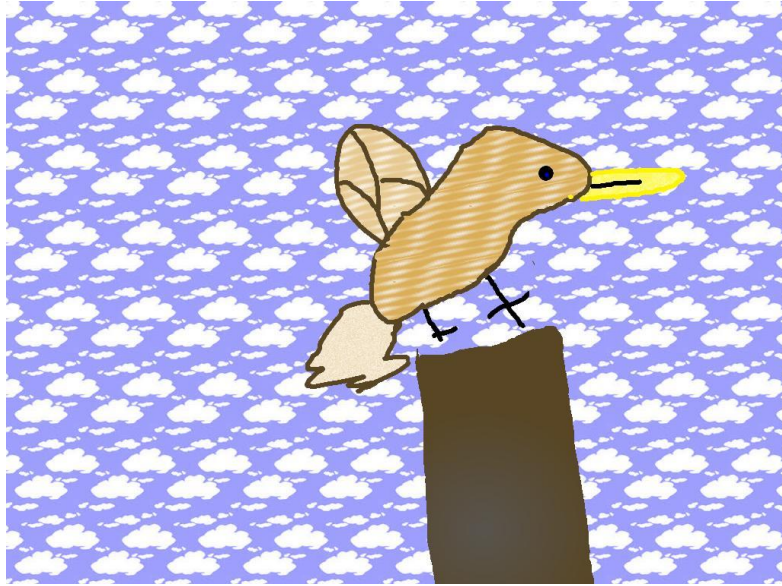


Ospreys put their feet first in the water to claw fish.

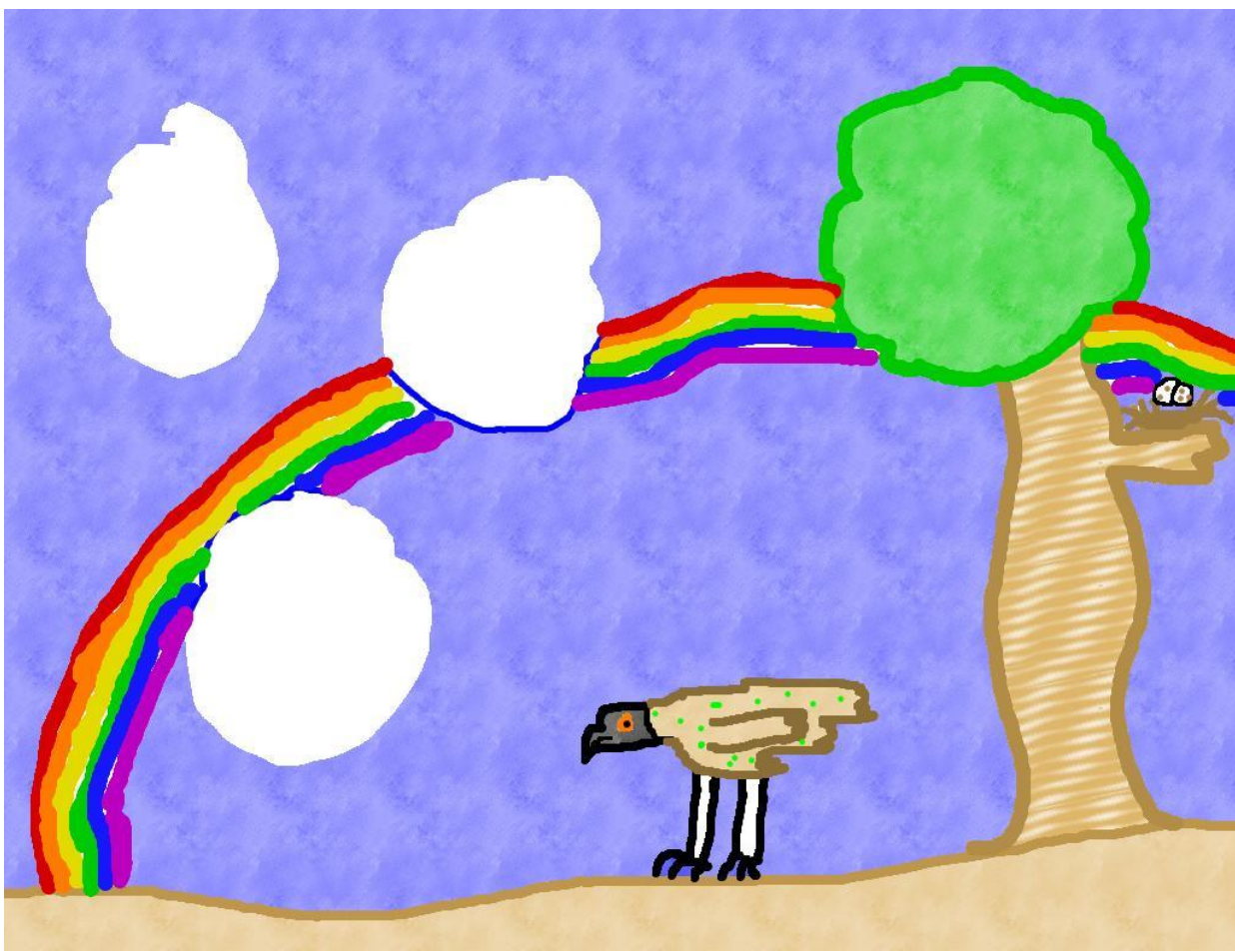


Osprey catch their prey in their talons.

Conservation

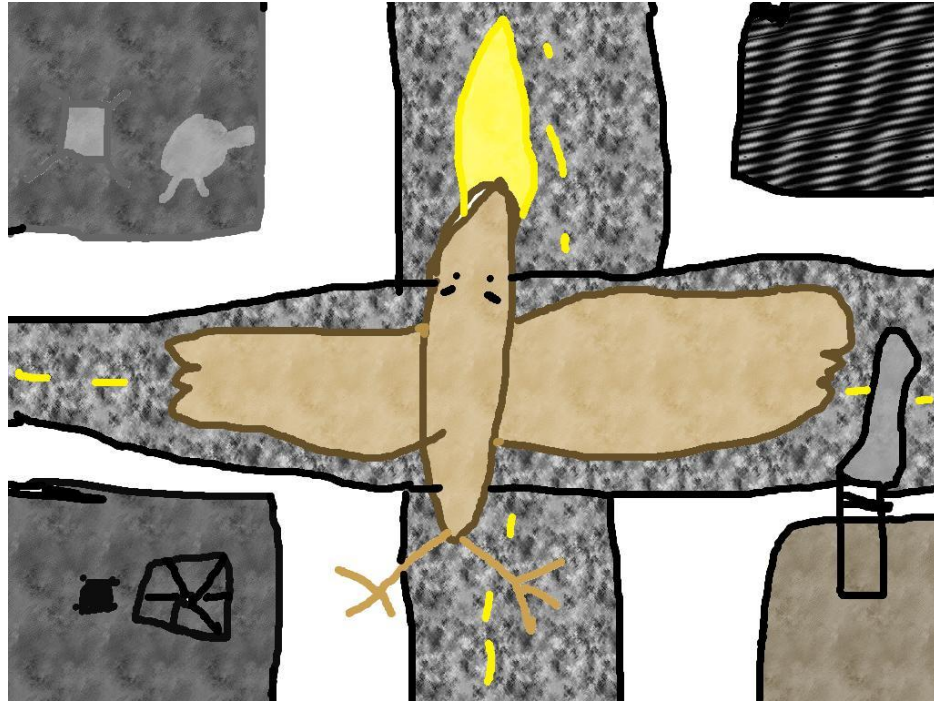


Ospreys are being threatened and could become extinct because people are cutting down trees that ospreys live in.

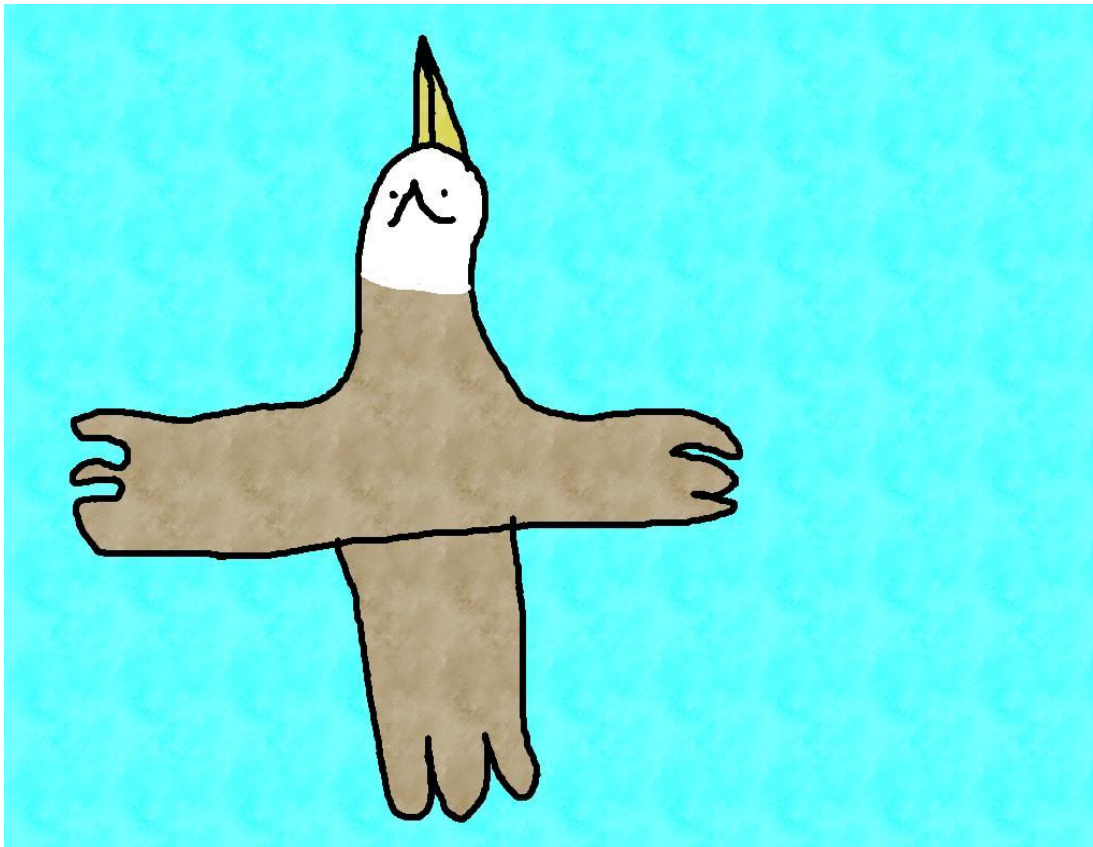


Population crashed in early 1950s to 1970s because of poison.

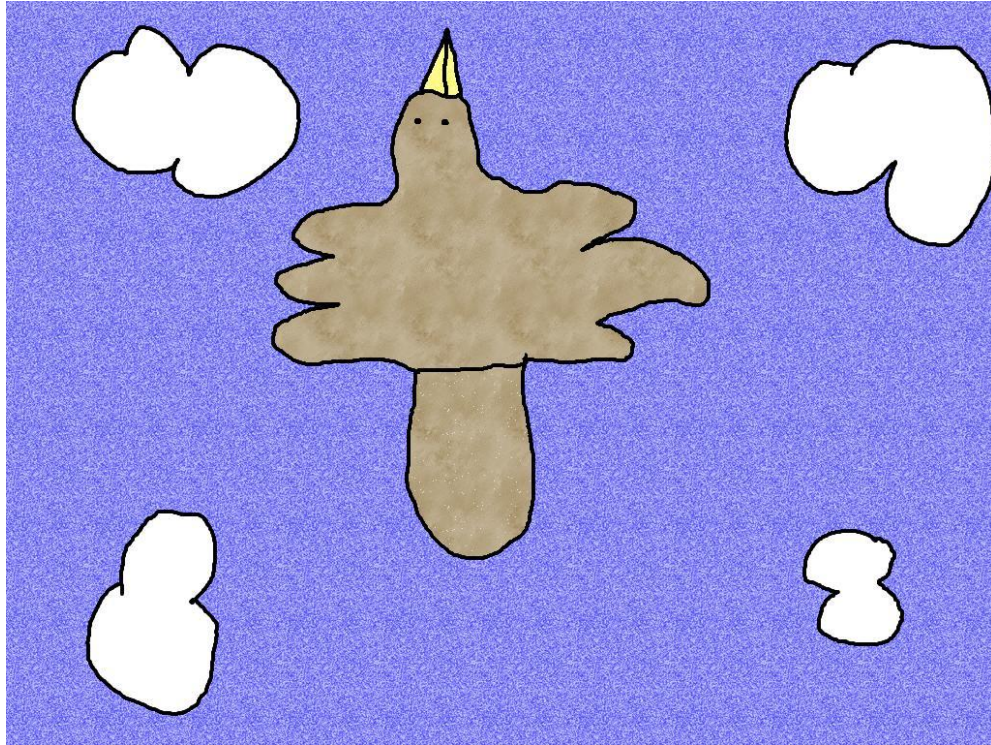
Other Interesting Facts



An Osprey may live up to 15 to 20 years. They can fly 160,000 miles during their lifetime.



Osprey are very big different shaped hawks.
Wings mostly white below them.



Osprey flew 2,700 miles from Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, to French Guiana, South America.

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Conserve Wildlife Foundation of New Jersey has a live cam on an Osprey’s nest near the Jersey shore. You can watch it here - <http://www.conservewildlifenj.org/education/ospreycam/interact/>

Remember if you see something that makes you uncomfortable, don’t watch! These are wild animals.