

Pookila

A small, terrestrial burrowing native rodent.

Scientific name:

Pseudomys
novaehollandiae

Status:

Vulnerable. There's less than 10,000 left.

Diet:

They eat seeds, leaves, flowers and bugs.

Fun fact:

They used to be called the New Holland Mouse, until 1995.

Where are they found?

Pookila dig burrows in sandy scrubland and dry forests.

Pookila are extinct in seven out of 12 known Victorian locations. Our Dutson Downs property is home to one of their remaining five populations.



How are we helping?

We protect their habitat at Dutson Downs and manage pests like foxes and cats which eat Pookila.

We're also working on a captive breeding program with Zoos Victoria and Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Conservation Park to give their numbers a helping hand.



Gippsland
Water

Caretakers
for tomorrow

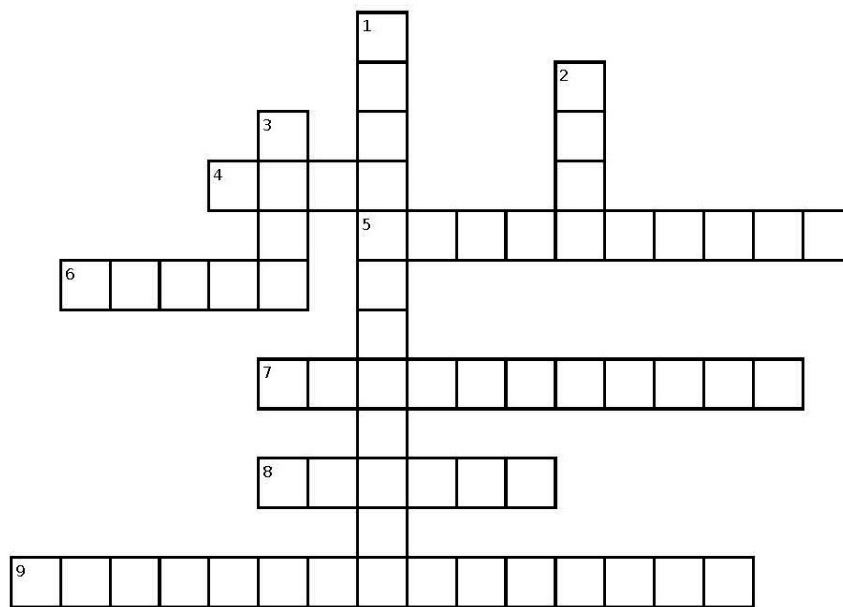
Crossword

Down

1. An organisation involved in the Pookila Captive Breeding and Reintroduction Program (4, 8).
2. How many places can I be found (4)?
3. One of my main predators (4).

Across

4. I have big round eyes and big round ... (4).
5. My conservation status (10).
6. One of my favourite foods (5).
7. The property we manage near Sale where Pookila lives (6, 5).
8. I dig this to live in (6).
9. My previous name (3, 7, 5).



Colour in

