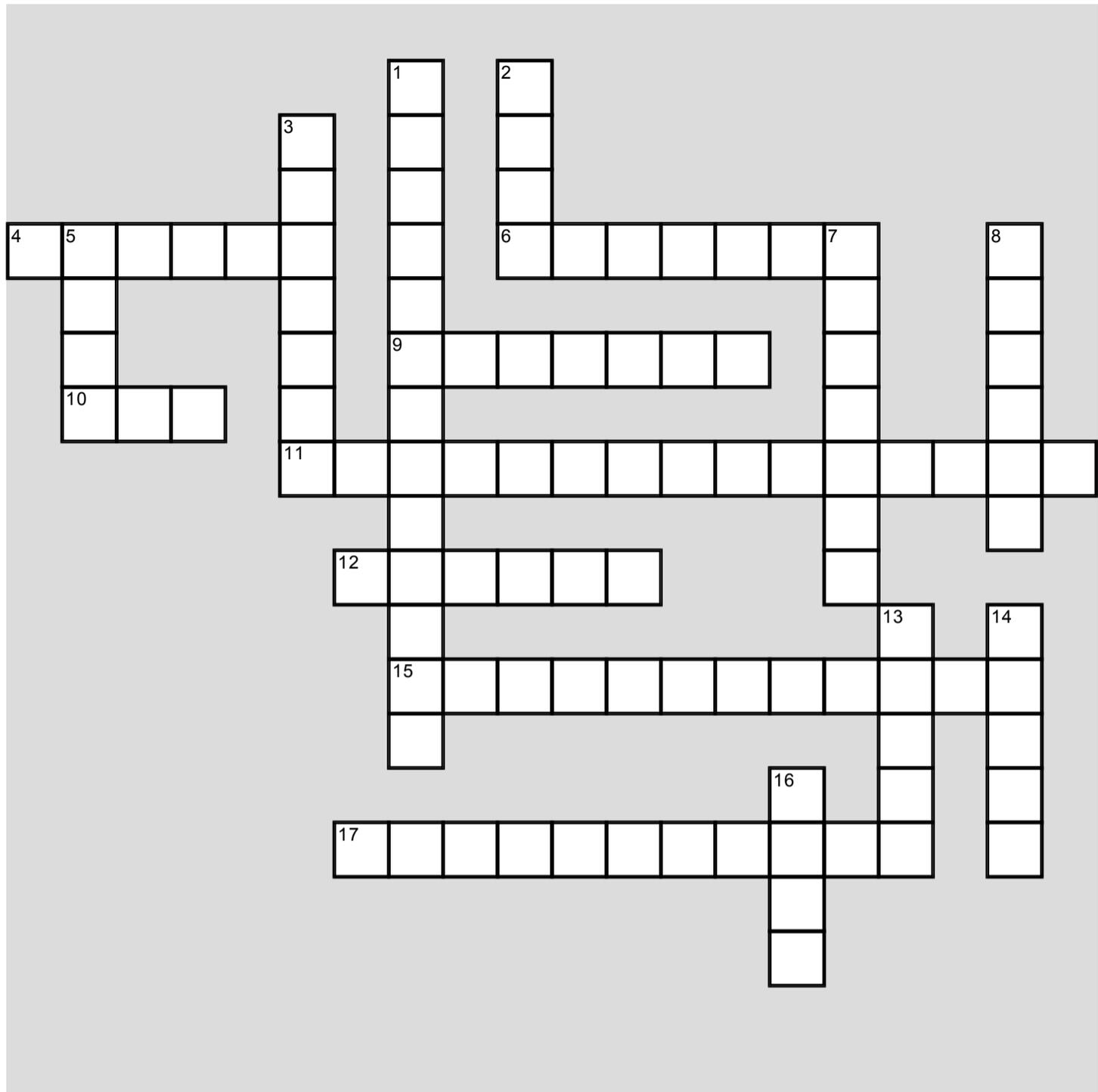


# The Pests of Honey bees



## Across

- 4 Parasitic mite that carries over 2 dozen diseases, parasitizes bees and is currently the primary pest concern in beekeeping.
- 6 These little "trash pandas" have been known to try to open lids of bee hives to grab handfuls of honeycomb from the tops of hives.
- 9 2 words-Late summer and fall pest that lays eggs in honey supers and it's larvae destroy wax combs.
- 10 Common initials this beetle is known by.
- 11 3 words-this pest is gaining ground everywhere in the U.S> and is prevalent in the South/South-East. It's larvae pupate in the ground outside of bee hives and return to those hives to lay eggs in the wax combs.
- 12 These striped stinkers are notorious for nearly completely wiping out the population of low lying bee hives by scratching at the entrance and eating the bees as they come out to investigate.
- 15 2 words- mite that lives in the trachea of honey bees.
- 17 These insects buzz around eating bees right in the air, especially when their main diet of mosquitoes isn't as available.

## Down

- 1 This and other vespids are known to decimate colonies of bees for the protein to feed their larvae.
- 2 These are attracted to the scent of honey and when stung are known to kick over hives off of hive stands.
- 3 These pests are attracted to detritus and humid interiors of bee hives that are dying out or have died out. Scavengers.
- 5 These insects are attracted to debris and honey in a bee hive and can overwhelm bee colonies when they become too many to manage.
- 7 These will live right on the inside edges of a hive and kill lone, wandering bees one at a time.
- 8 These bipeds are known to knock over hives, shoot a hives, throw rocks and other debris at hives and spray poison anywhere they fear bees might be.
- 13 These avians will perch on nearby branches swooping in to the field of incoming and departing bee traffic of bee hives to eat bees.
- 14 These large mammals have a reputation for chasing down honey bee nests and raiding them for the honey. they can devastate entire apiaries.
- 16 In the fall, these furry rodents try to build a nest inside a hive to stay warm and have plenty of food over the Winter. They urinate everywhere inside the hive.

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SPIDERS  
TRACHEALMITE  
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