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National States & Capitals Day

September 22nd



DES MOINES

NATIONAL DAY CALENDAR®

National States & Capitals Day focuses on raising awareness and sharing education about all 50 states and their capitals on National States & Capitals Day.



Dick & Jane are the proud founders of **National States & Capitals Day**.

The *National Day Calendar* gets over 30,000 applications every year for new, national holidays, but they only choose 10 per year. In 2022, National States & Capitals Day was chosen and became an official, national holiday!

Let's celebrate!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Dick & Jane'.

★ #NationalStatesandCapitalsDay ★

4 state capitals
are named after
U.S. Presidents –
Jackson, MS,
Jefferson City, MO,
Lincoln, NE &
Madison, WI.



Des Moines, IA
was originally named
"Fort Racoon."



Montpelier, VT is the smallest
U.S. capital by population.

**17 state's capital
city** is also the **largest
city** in that state.



Juneau, Alaska is
the **LARGEST** U.S.
capital by land area.

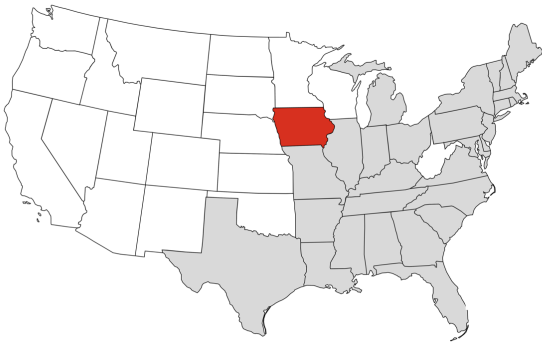


Honolulu, HI has
the **highest average
annual temperature** of
all U.S. capital cities.

Phoenix, AZ
is the **most
populous** U.S.
state capital
with over
**1.6 million
people.**

Can you
figure
out the
**ONLY
letter**
not used
to spell
any state
name?

Iowa



29th State to join the Union
on December 28, 1846.

Fun Facts:

Iowa is the only state bordered by two parallel major river systems – The Mississippi and The Missouri.

The first electronic digital computer was invented in Iowa.

The dome of the Capitol building contains approximately 100 ounces of 23 $\frac{3}{4}$ karat gold.

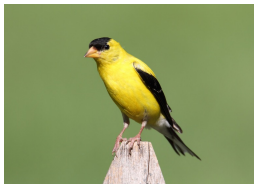
The Hawkeye State

State Tree



Bur Oak

State Bird



American Goldfinch

State Capital



Des Moines

State Flower



Prairie Rose

State Rock



Geode

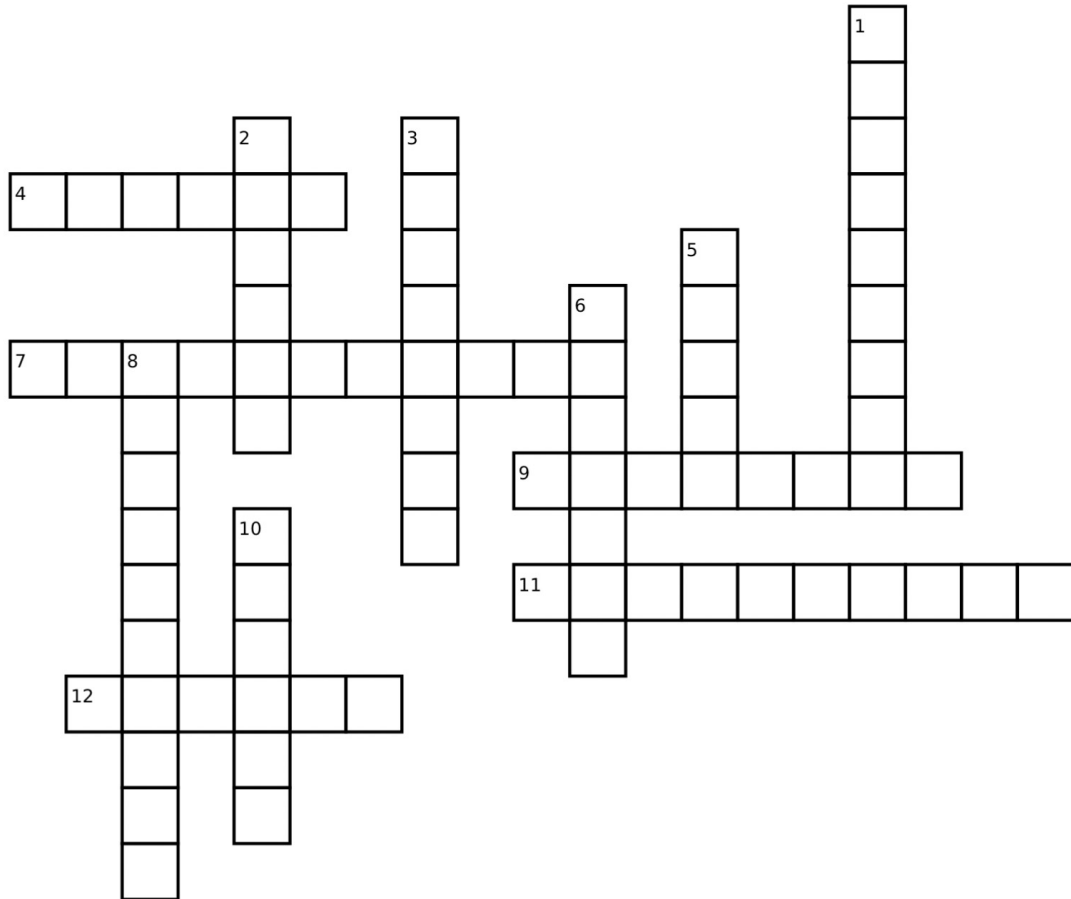
Des Moines



Crossword Puzzle



Answers found in the States & Capitals Learn More magazine.



Down:

Across:

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| 1. The state flower of Kansas. | 4. The only U.S. capital inaccessible by car. |
| 2. The 50 th state to join the Union. | 7. The Magnolia State. |
| 3. The Great Lakes State. | 9. The 1 st state to join the Union. |
| 5. The state flower of New Mexico. | 11. The capital of Louisiana. |
| 6. The state tree of Georgia. | 12. The capital of Colorado. |
| 8. The capital of California. | |
| 10. The state mammal of Oregon. | |

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