

# Tarantula

## Across

1. The taxonomic Family of the bird-eating spiders or tarantulas.
4. Any animal without a spinal cord (i.e.: insects, worms, mollusks, sponges).
6. The silk-producing organs on the end of a spider's abdomen.
7. An invertebrate's simple eyes.
9. A significant loss of an animal's internal water. This can lead to death.
11. The hard outer skin of invertebrates providing structural support for the animal.
13. The body part of spiders forming the head and chest that has the eyes, legs, and most internal organs.
14. An animal that kills other animals in order to eat.
15. The substance inside eggs, food for the developing embryos.
16. Arachnid appendages – male spiders use them to transfer semen to the female.
17. The lifestyle of an organism living in or on another organism called the host, usually causing it harm.

## Down

2. A dry, barren area of land, often sand-covered, with little fresh water and scanty vegetation.
3. In sexual reproduction, the joining of the sperm and egg.
5. The variety and complexity of living things found in nature.
8. A spider's fangs.
10. A thick pad of silk, woven by a mother tarantula for her spiderlings. (2 words)
12. The scientific classification method used to categorize animals into related groups.

