

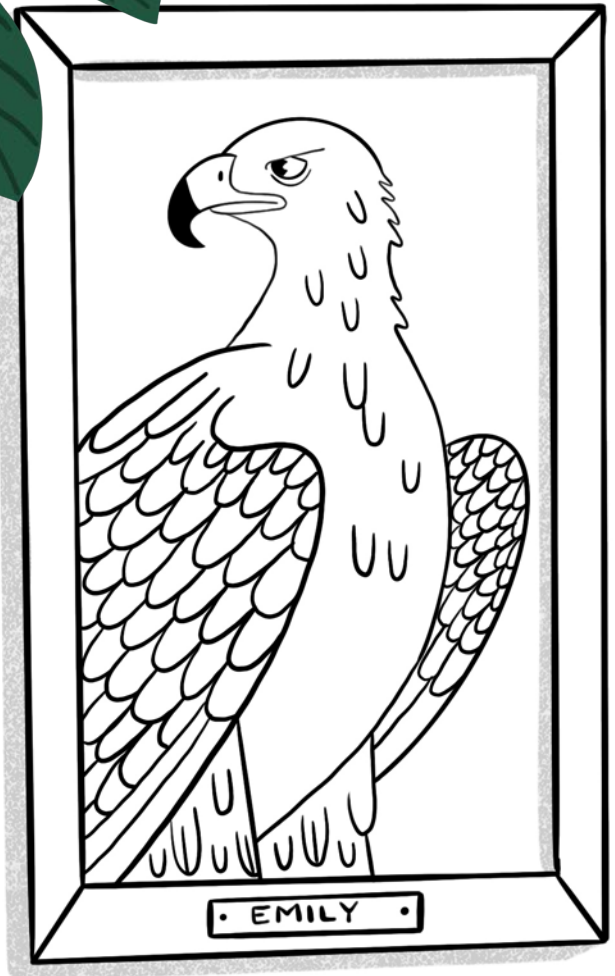
CRAFTY
FUN
INSIDE!

GOLDEN EAGLE SPOTTERS' ZINE



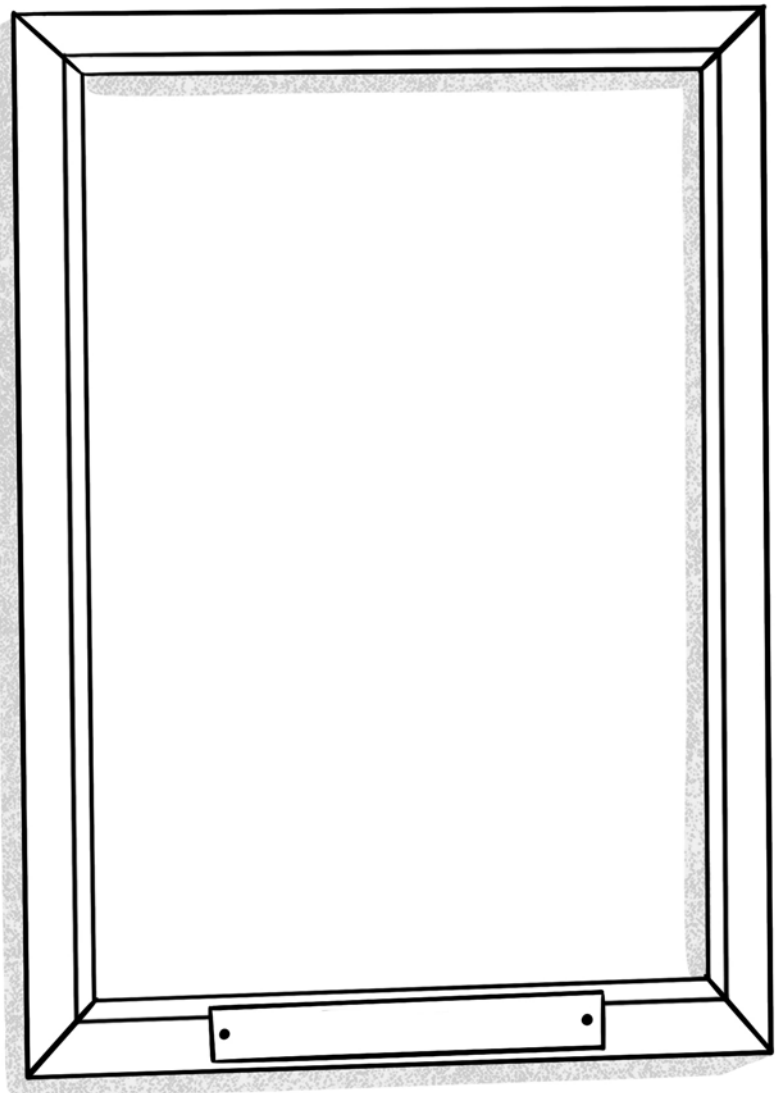
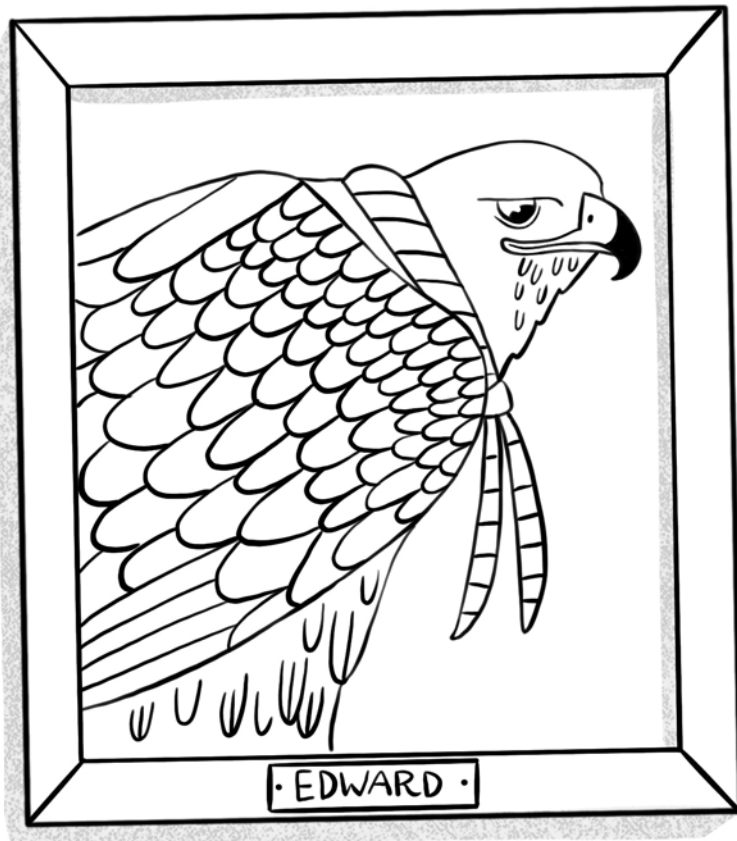
GET CRAFTY!

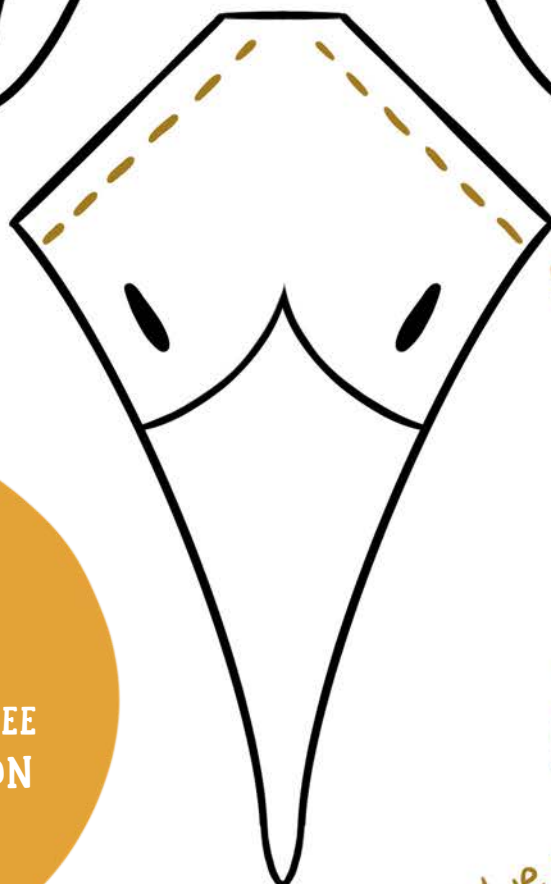
COLOUR IN THE EAGLES
AND IF YOU'RE FEELING
INSPIRED, DRAW ONE
OF YOUR OWN.



MEET OUR EAGLE FRIENDS

From Stranraer in the west to Eyemouth in the east, golden eagles once ruled the skies in the South of Scotland. But now there are as few as 10! That's why we bring young golden eagles down from the Highlands, where there are many more, and release them into southern skies.





Fold

FUN FACT!
SCOTTISH CLAN
CHIEFS WORE THREE
EAGLE FEATHERS ON
THEIR CAPS



Glue on
beak

MAKE AN EAGLE MASK

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:



SCISSORS



STRING



CRAFT GLUE
OR STICKY TAPE



COLOURING
PENCILS, PENS
OR CRAYONS

INSTRUCTIONS:

Step 1: Colour in your mask or decorate it with foraged feathers.

Step 2: Cut out beak and mask, including the two holes for your eyes to see out of the mask.

Step 3: Fold the two tabs at the top of beak, along the dotted line, and glue to the front of the mask.

Step 4: Make a small hole at each side of the mask. Thread the string through each hole and tie a knot so the string forms a loop around the back of the head.



SPOT THE RAPTOR



PEEEE-UU



PEEF-OW



A. Raptor No.

OSPREY

I love a fish supper so you'll find me near Lochs, rivers, and by the coast. Listen out for my 'pieu-pieu-pieu' call.

B. Raptor No.

BUZZARD

I'm the most common raptor in Scotland, with a population of over 40,000. I make a long 'peeee-uu' sound.

C. Raptor No.

PEREGRINE FALCON

Spot me if you can! I'm the fastest animal on Earth, flying at 242mph when in a dive. My call is 'scraa-scraa-scraa'.



D. Raptor No.

KESTREL

I'm one of Scotland's smallest birds of prey. I'm an expert at hovering when I hunt for mice, voles, and insects.

E. Raptor No.

RED KITE

You'll see me on woodland, farmland, and grassland, scavenging for carrion. Listen out for my 'Peeee-ooow' call.

F. Raptor No.

GOLDEN EAGLE

My grip is ten times stronger than the grip of an adult human hand and my wing span is an enormous 220cm.



MAKE A FLYING EAGLE

When golden eagles hunt for food, they hold their wings close to their body and dive towards their prey. In a hunting stoop they reach speeds of up to 200 miles per hour!

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:



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INSTRUCTIONS:


Step 1: Colour-in the golden eagle's body and wings.

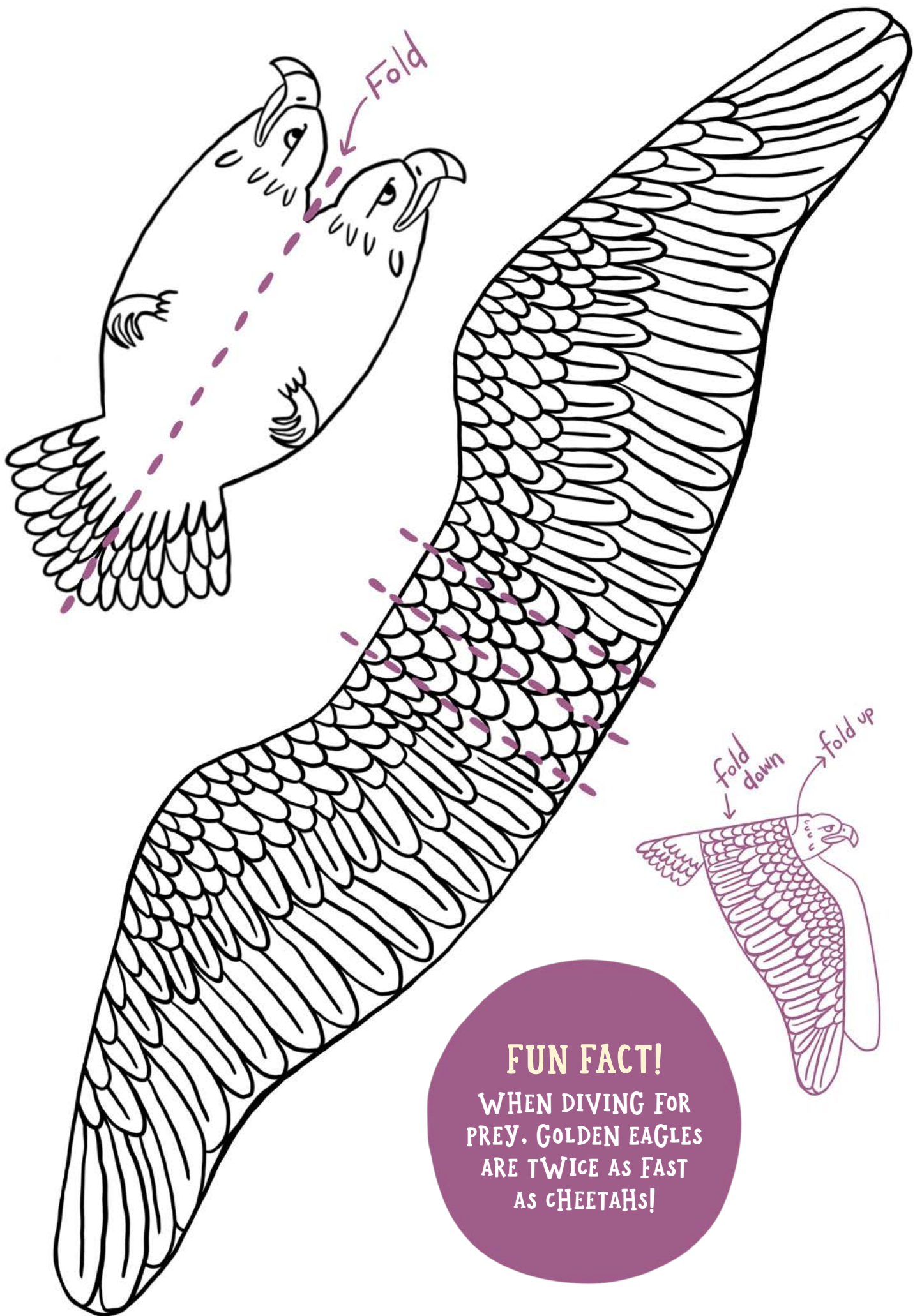
Step 2: Carefully cut out the body and wings.

Step 3: Fold the body and the wings in half and attach the top of wings to the body with glue or sticky tape.

Step 4: Fold the wings back on themselves above the eagle's claws.

Step 5: Attach string to the top of the eagle and take flight!





FUN FACT!

WHEN DIVING FOR
PREY, GOLDEN EAGLES
ARE TWICE AS FAST
AS CHEETAHS!

BUILD AN EYRIE

An eyrie is the name for an eagle's nest. Golden Eagles build their eyries on the ledges and crags of mountains and sometimes in old trees. Have a go at building a miniature eyrie.



STEP 1

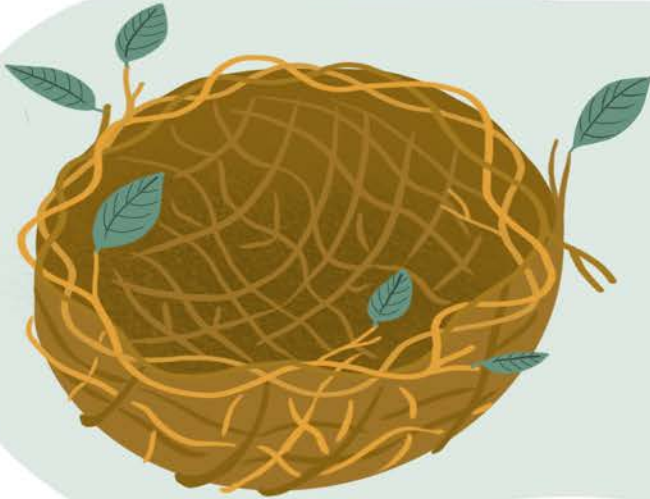
In your garden or when out on a walk, gather some bendy twigs to form the structure of the eyrie. Heather can also be used for this too. For lining the inside of your eyrie, collect some soft grasses or moss.

STEP 2

Bend the twigs under and over each other to weave them into a doughnut shape.



FUN FACT THE BIGGEST EYRIE WAS AS DEEP AS A DOUBLE DECKER BUS!



STEP 3

Cross the twigs back and forth to form the base of the eyrie. Keep doing this until your eyrie is roughly the size and shape of your two hands cupped together.

STEP 4

Weave in your grasses or moss to make the inside of the nest soft and cosy. Make sure your eyrie is strong enough to face the fiercest storm by giving it a shake.



STEP 5

Find a tree or hedge where you can safely secure your eyrie. You might not attract eagles but something smaller might move in!



Want to help golden eagles to fly high in southern skies? Find out how your school can become an official Eagle School at goldeneaglessouthofscotland.co.uk

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