



## Desert Bighorn Sheep

- Nevada's state animal
- They live in herds of up to 100
- On the endangered species list since 1971
- Diet consists of grasses, desert wildflowers, and cactus
- Habitat also includes California, Colorado, and Arizona

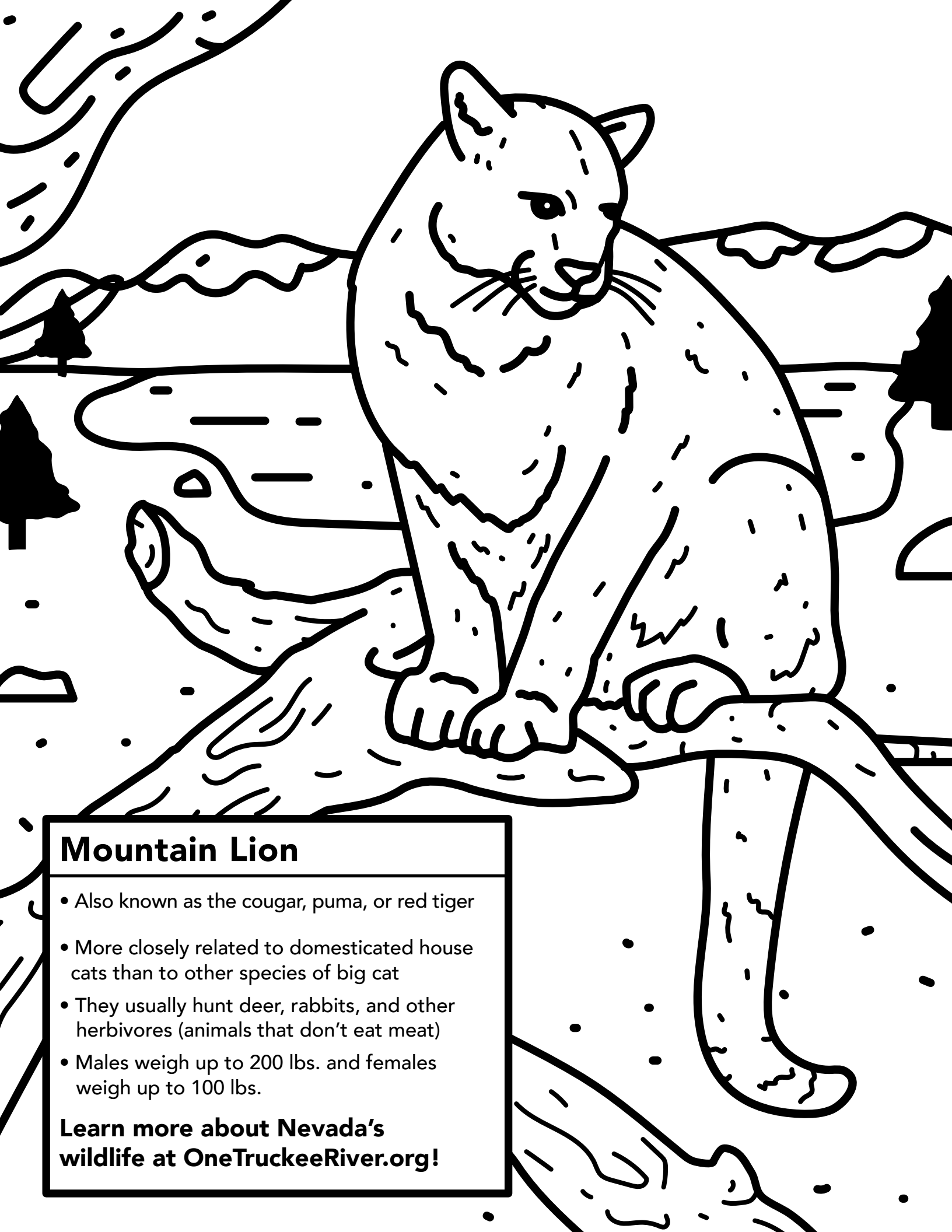
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## Mountain Bluebird

- Nevada's state bird
- Diet is mostly insects, worms, and berries
- Their eggs are pale blue and nests are found in trees, rocks, cliffs and buildings
- Can be found throughout most of the Western United States

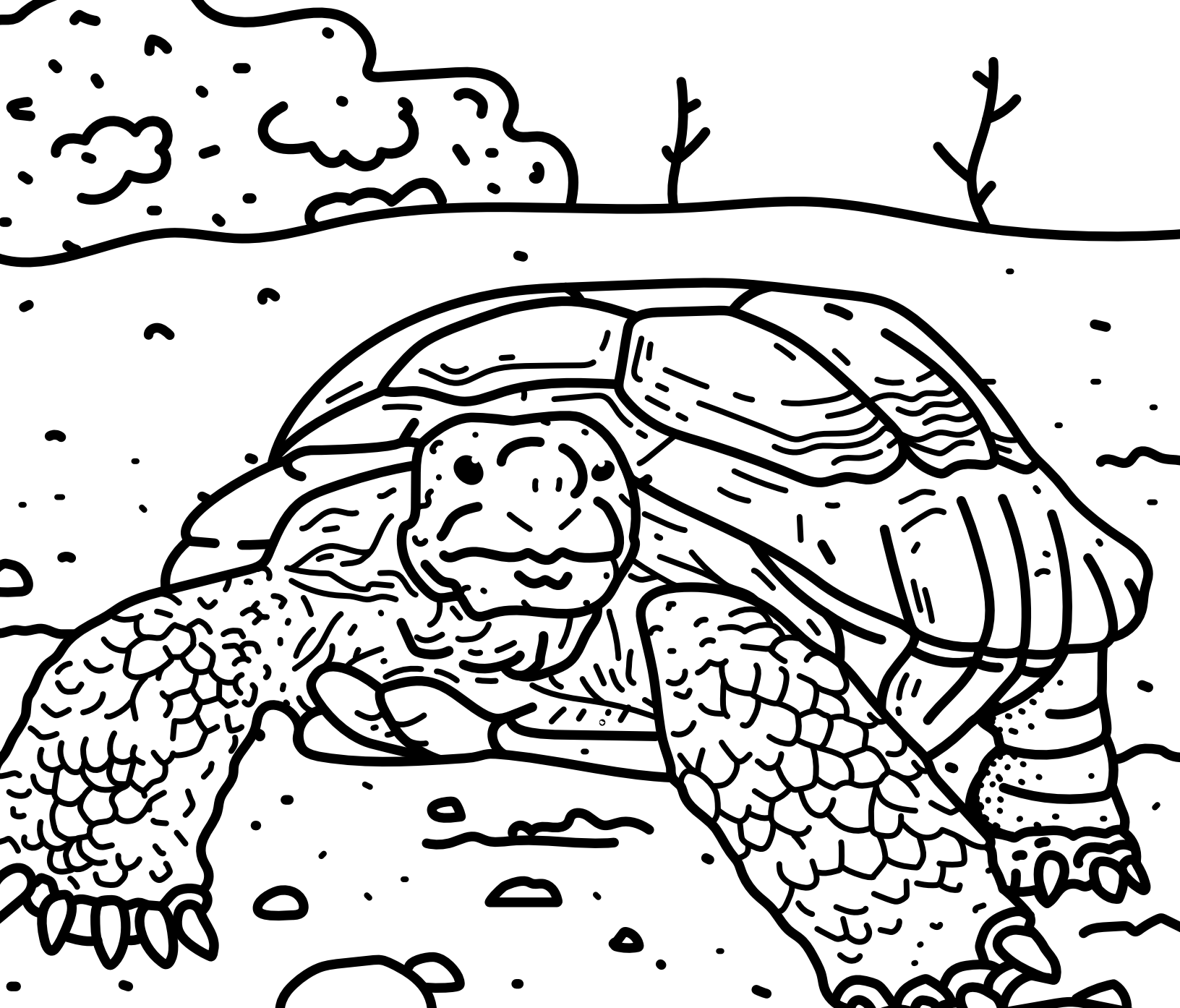
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## Mountain Lion

- Also known as the cougar, puma, or red tiger
- More closely related to domesticated house cats than to other species of big cat
- They usually hunt deer, rabbits, and other herbivores (animals that don't eat meat)
- Males weigh up to 200 lbs. and females weigh up to 100 lbs.

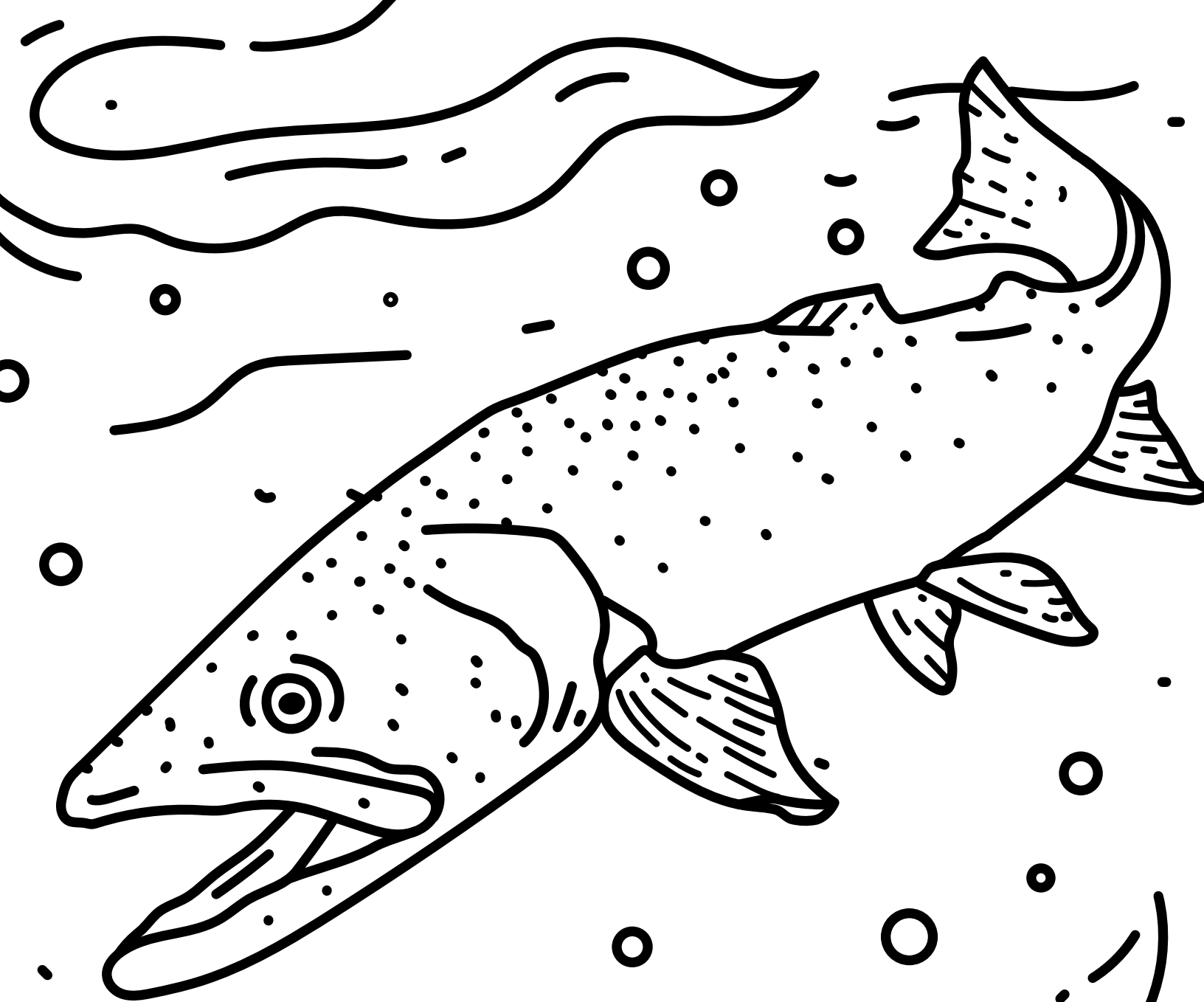
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## Desert Tortoise

- Nevada's State Reptile
- Lives between 50-80 years
- Eats desert grasses, herbs, and wildflowers
- Can survive for several months without eating any food, especially during winter
- 95% of their life is spent underground, sheltered from extreme desert temperatures

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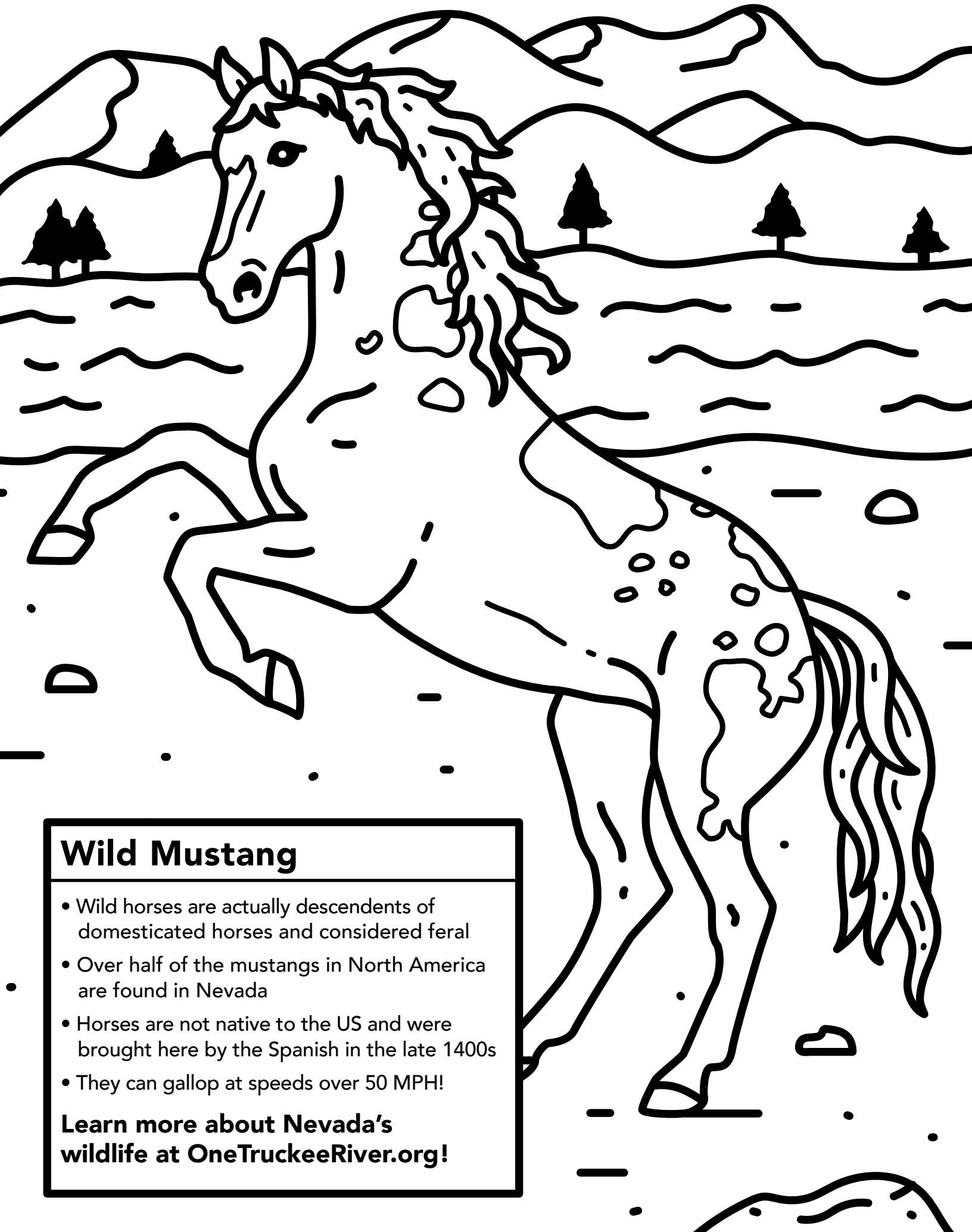


## Lahontan Cutthroat Trout

- Lives in a small habitat and is only rarely seen outside of Nevada's lakes and rivers
- Formerly an endangered species and were once totally extinct in Pyramid and Tahoe
- The largest specimen ever caught was 41 lbs!
- They travel throughout our watershed to breed, and lay between 200- 4,400 eggs

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## Wild Mustang

- Wild horses are actually descendents of domesticated horses and considered feral
- Over half of the mustangs in North America are found in Nevada
- Horses are not native to the US and were brought here by the Spanish in the late 1400s
- They can gallop at speeds over 50 MPH!

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