

Close, But No

ACROSS

- 1 Big-time, prefix
- 5 Its alumni include Eddie Redmayne and Dominic West
- 9 "A rolling stone gathers no ___"
- 14 Major force in Mideast politics
- 15 Word after club or baking
- 16 What you read on a Kindle
- 17 They're often sold along with Barbies
- 18 "That haughty singer is so old; she's a real ___"
- 20 Like alpacas and chinchillas
- 22 Abate
- 23 "___ bees sting?"
- 24 Women's magazine you can read backwards or forwards
- 25 Primary concern of a prima donna
- 28 Member of parliament?
- 29 Mideast chewable not let out of the bag on Wednesday
- 31 Rocket retiree Ming
- 33 Falcons on the scoreboard
- 34 "That spectacular performance was a real tour de ___"
- 37 Nation that's less than half the size of Manhattan (and has fewer Broadway shows)
- 39 "That White male club has all the racial sensitivity of a ___ show."
- 42 It happened one night
- 45 "You could have knocked me over with a ___"
- 47 Short short time
- 48 Trapp loc.
- 51 Miss Piggy's pronoun
- 52 What a feather floats on
- 55 SASE often
- 57 Yiddish dork (var.)
- 59 Drop a sound
- 61 Country that's roughly 300,000 times larger than Manhattan (and has fewer Broadway shows)
- 63 Did what one does on Yom Kippur
- 64 "The President is officially chosen by the ___ college."
- 67 Mitch McConnell's wife Elaine
- 68 French composer ("Gymnopedies")
- 69 At Citi Field, when the rain comes down, this comes out
- 70 Fashion model Moss
- 71 "He seems nice, but he's a wolf in ___ clothing"
- 72 Sheep's mothers
- 73 Fr. holy women

The answer is what each of the theme answers is. Bird Lives

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- 1 With "The," operetta in which Nanki Poo sings "A Wandering Minstrel I"
- 2 Up to this moment, quaintly
- 3 Ian McKellen's LOTR role
- 4 Photographer Adams
- 5 Producer of "The Last Dance"
- 6 Team that's in the AL East but not in the US
- 7 Beckham, Jr. of the Browns, Giants, Rams, Ravens
- 8 To wit
- 9 Just what the doctor (DrTom?) ordered
- 10 Orchestras tune to their A
- 11 69A for a car
- 12 Any diner customer, to the waitress
- 13 Reggae relative
- 19 On the briny
- 21 Bin Laden's group
- 24 List-enders (abbr.)
- 26 Printer setting, (abbr.)
- 27 Avoiding it might be worth a shot
- 30 Cape in Massachusetts, Arbor in Michigan
- 32 Working in middle management?
- 35 LBJ follower
- 36 Type of pooled asset you can buy on the NYSE
- 38 It might be brown or pale in the pub
- 40 San ____, Italian Riviera town
- 41 Calling card game
- 42 Lincoln-to-Topeka dr.
- 43 Wisconsin and Missouri have this many electoral votes
- 44 Grow bigger, like a coral reef
- 46 Gloucester fisherman's headgear
- 49 61 Across was a big part of it
- 50 Like most Muslims in 14 Across
- 53 Come up with a plan
- 54 Starts it all again
- 56 St. ____, only country named for a woman
- 58 Colorful parrot
- 60 Sure-thing bets
- 62 Part of the meta-solving process
- 63 Heidi's location
- 64 F1 neighbor usually
- 65 ___-di-dah
- 66 Is for you