Marsh Crossword Puzzle

Across
1. a turtle that can live in the salt marsh; there is one at the conservancy named Scooter
2. a sharp, dark-colored plant that lives near the edge of the marsh
3. these are often caught with pots and are a popular form of seafood
4. this invertebrate looks like a grape, lives on the sides of docks, and has two siphons

Down
1. a white bird with a curved beak and black-tipped wings
2. a green, salt-tolerant plant that lives in the marsh mud
3. an invertebrate with one large claw and one small claw
4. a tall, white, wading bird with a yellow beak and black feet
5. a small invertebrate that likes to eat mud
6. a large, black, bird that looks shiny up close
7. a cackling bird with an all-black head
8. an invertebrate filter-feeder, that lives with others in groups called beds
9. a plant found on marsh hammocks that produces yellow, daisy-like flowers
10. a colorful bird that flies over the marsh in search of insects during breeding season
11. this carnivorous bird nests on platforms in the marsh, eats primarily fish, and have a white head with a brown stripe across each eye
Answer key:

Across:

1. diamondbackterrapin
2. blackneedlerush
3. bluecrabs
4. seasquirt

Down:

1. whiteibis
2. smoothcordgrass
3. fiddlercrab
4. greategret
5. mudsnail
6. grackle
7. laughinggull
8. oyster