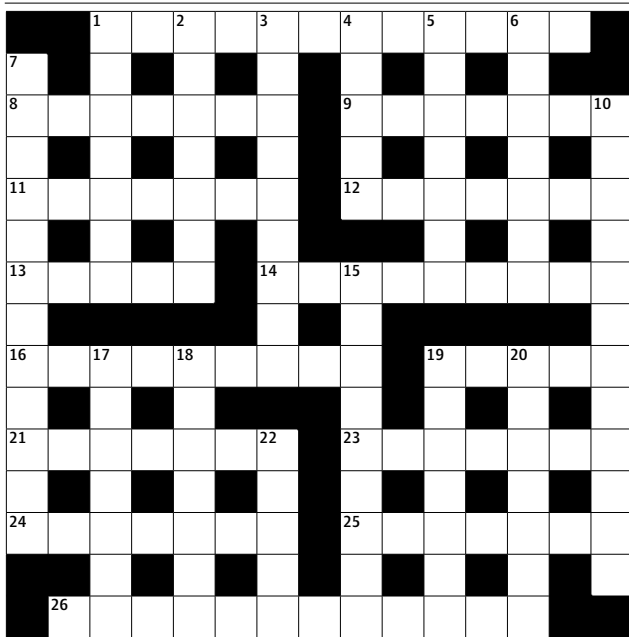


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 1 Ain't twisting, yet five couples must have a knees-up here (2,10)
- 8 Takes in food but is keeping gents shivering (7)
- 9 One MP is attracted by German song, as suggested (7)
- 11 Plain vehicle: one taking everything back (7)
- 12 They play together but stone mobs (7)
- 13 Sister's child needs some condemnation, ie censure (5)
- 14 As a result of prosecuting, the lieutenant is held to be offensive (9)
- 16 I cannot sleep much in masonic clothes (9)
- 19 Large gun found in search (5)
- 21 The family will want warm claret, perhaps (7)
- 23 No very good person needs spirit as a cure-all (7)
- 24 Boy always takes a short road (7)
- 25 Girl, sick one in a winter month (7)
- 26 Frivolous person's performance touches her understanding (12)

Down

- 1 Actress inexperienced in general use, losing heart (7)
- 2 Forgive sailor catching fish – about five (7)
- 3 Inaction's outrageous for a conductor (9)
- 4 They are hard and make trouble in two directions (5)
- 5 One revolutionary paper gets left in this dress (7)
- 6 Half China's opposed to Italian wine (7)
- 7 Long sleeper had to rent carrier with shellfish (3,3,6)
- 10 Conflict? What makes it seem danger? (12)
- 15 Another patient man is moonlighting (6,3)
- 17 Sunday in church has religious education, which is not affected (7)
- 18 Doctor goes this way and that with Anthea not half sarcastic (7)
- 19 Australian bird got up and everyone turned over (7)
- 20 Exotic ring held in place by crooked finger (7)
- 22 Duck makes eg odd stew (5)

Solution No. 24,917

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