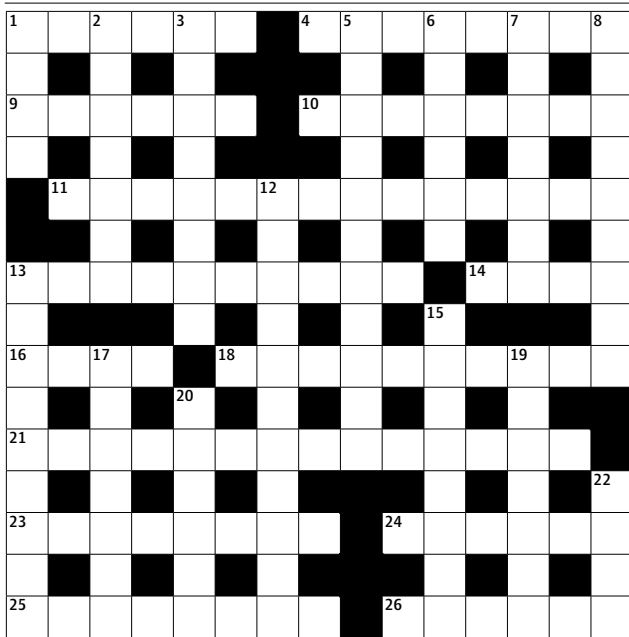


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,043 set by Pasquale

Across

- 1** Legal principle requiring tree to be clipped (2,4)
4 Make-believe incentive with promises of money to come (8)
9 Frustrate the spirit (6)
10 Troopers will be troopers? Male duds (8)
11 Garish tat's awful on a female broadcaster, honest! (8,2,1,3)
13 People making cuts, restricting the community? None of us can have everything (4-6)
14 Poet has put out superior port (4)
16 Vulgar female supporter turned back (4)
18 Work centre said to be suitable for voluntary organisation (5,5)
21 As to Golden Calf – it's wrong in a religious retreat! (6,8)
23 Hidden part of the body revealed by Pearl (5,3)
24 Extremely drunk, all right, fools all falling over (6)
25 Get to spa, knackered – support needed at end of drive? (8)
26 Litre extracted from mixer for drinking session (6)

Down

- 1** In the land of yodellers there's huge hit (4)
2 University officer reported? Gamble is associated with him (7)

- 3** One chats about the end of the world (8)
5 Classical boy Amos on vessel coming from island (6,5)
6 Combat is interrupting inactivity (6)
7 Made too big a thing of old composer having died (7)
8 Officers giving material to workers? (9)
12 Writer presents piece, getting a bit of work having run into old news agency (6,5)
13 Out of control, giving office assistant whipping (9)
15 Cor! A cute flipping dress! (8)
17 Secure catch in sea area off Ireland (7)
19 Punished a second time to be made pure? (7)
20 Destroy a game in perverse display of temper (4,2)
22 Singers won't want hard material (4)

Solution No. 25,042

