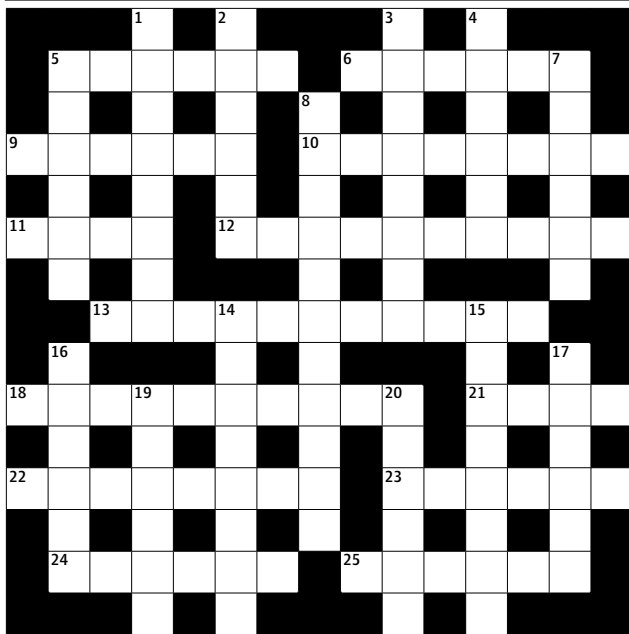


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 5 Jazz effect bringing laughter back (3-3)
- 6,17 Piece of cake, perhaps, to restrict food container (6,6)
- 9,25 Live to eat fish, about to stuff what's used on green and brown food (6,6)
- 10 University applauded, so lifted (8)
- 11 Kill the present transport mechanism, soundly (4)
- 12 Negotiations on which vegetables stemmed, we hear? (5,5)
- 13 Dude – the ride ends here (3,8)
- 18 See 24
- 21 Hand out a large quantity, port and wood (4)
- 22 Idiot concealing brains but not heart, almost touching (5-3)
- 23 Old vehicle cut into bird ... (6)
- 24,18 ... which follows a very inebriated wife into vestibule for a drink (6,10)
- 25 See 9

Down

- 1 Short trip round square pocketed as grateful recognition (5,3)
- 2 A turn-on for scientists finding a way to plug-hole? (3,3)
- 3 Begin as he was under leadership of Danish PM (8)
- 4 An indication of ruin for mother, a disease (6)
- 5 Say how one might surrender regularly (6)
- 7 Pert as a buttock? (6)
- 8 Thus harming when abused? (5,6)
- 14 Change poles during mounting of Whistler painting (8)
- 15 Ripple caused by fraudulent mismanagement, French having scarpered (8)
- 16 Responsible Hindu beginning to worship God (6)
- 17 See 6
- 19 Passing through desert, sultan brought up distinction (6)
- 20 Hindu fighting to get a Justice of the Peace into routine (6)

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