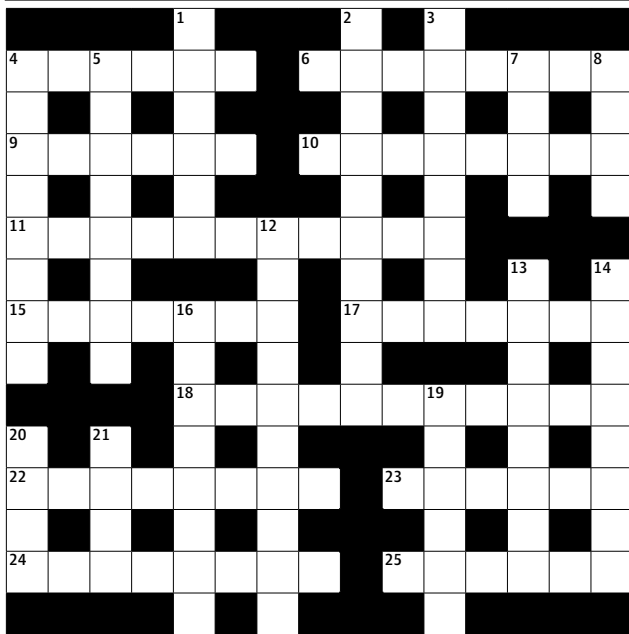


# Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,206 set by Pasquale

## Across

- 4 Bill the blogger? (6)
- 6 Engendered plump cattle full of energy (8)
- 9 Like healthy food wife provided in pub (3-3)
- 10 Leading character with baton helps members of the band (8)
- 11 Gin in thermos, maybe (7,4)
- 15,17,24 Debilitating condition scaring you – for medic then to get sorted (7,7,8)
- 18 Proclaimed a religious woman third-rate, ab'orred on the radio (11)
- 22 Sort of lying that hurts is concealed in jargon (8)
- 23 Ruler given role when overthrown (6)
- 24 See 15
- 25 The head could be one for taking forty winks (6)
- 5 Attended a glittering performance and was knocked out? (3,5)
- 7 In the course of tour is king put in jeopardy? (4)
- 8 To defeat hell, the first thing for heaven (4)
- 12 Appellation possessed by Anna but not Amanda (6,4)
- 13 A contemptible person supporting UKIP's latest political disinformation? (8)
- 14 Mineral one extracted from areas of land – what you'd expect (8)
- 16 Old farm worker's boorish type, two articles admitted (8)
- 19 Where fruity type may end up in difficulty (2,1,3)
- 20 Agreement to omit introduction at start of second book (4)
- 21 Shock when bird is heard (4)

## Down

- 1 Workers, mature members of the household (6)
- 2 Scruffy little fellow rendering Indian music, something nice at tea-time? (10)
- 3 Horse in shaggy dog story? (8)
- 4 Compiler's not right, unsound – controversial debate? (8)

Solution No. 25,205

