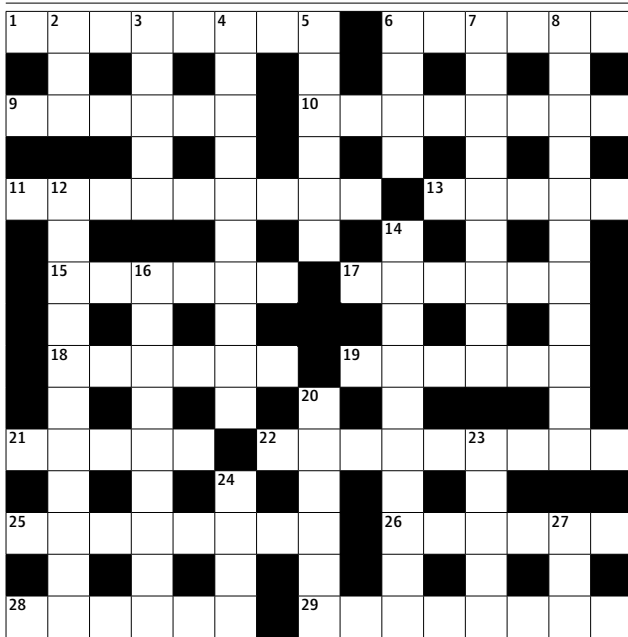


# Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,876 set by Philistine

## Across

- 1 One's taken in by the modulated pitch of speech (8)
- 6 Fleet circling round provided calm (6)
- 9 Left in season to make ends meet (6)
- 10 Researcher is a rogue to experimental mice (8)
- 11 Howler monkey or another animal may be heard after slow start (9)
- 13 Curtain opening twice, revealing plants (5)
- 15 Port wine (6)
- 17 Bid what in 21 (6)
- 18 Bother to return boxes 9 or 11 potion (6)
- 19 Body to proceed after quantity halved (6)
- 21 Travel item's the best (5)
- 22 Upset stomach is fine by him (9)
- 25 Strike back with weapon, so to speak (8)
- 26 Lets unhealthy leader slip to the bottom (6)
- 28,2 Tramp cooks joint (9)
- 29 Injured person starts to demand some answers (8)

## Down

- 2 See 28
- 3 Ignorant of spring uprising (5)
- 4 Like Iran with 13 other amendments (10)
- 5 Graves in empty chapel are finally shut (6)
- 6,24 Provincial folk with no head for heights in game (8)
- 7 Delivery for Julian? (9)
- 8 Teasing suitor with a lift (11)
- 12 Film came out fuzzy, like it should (5,2,4)
- 14 Love in jail's queer after lover's drink (10)
- 16 Perhaps I can still sparkle (9)
- 20 Country heard calling (6)
- 23,27 Outstanding room first to be blessed (8)
- 24 See 6

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