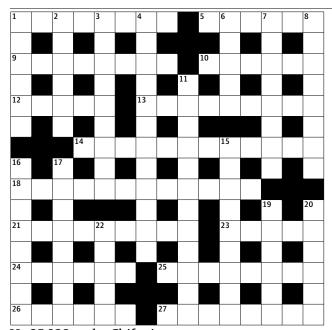
Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,928 set by Chifonie

Across

- **1** Animal to have a meal tucking into fruit (5,3)
- **5** Complain persistently of Yankee's drive 'ome (6)
- **9** Prospector keeps sick retailer (8)
- 10 Money for drums (6)
- **12** Composer's final letter found in inventory (5)
- **13** Film sad defeat (5,4)
- **14** Misconception about fallen woman going west is an example (12)
- **18** Major was once a skilled craftsman (12)
- 21 Intrepid maiden interrupts unknown Greek king (9)
- 23 Shot a scene (5)
- 24 Union member embraces girl in game (6)
- 25 A drug creates a a heavenly body (8)
- 26 The French rejected uniform for soccer team (6)
- **27** Supporter, on the whole, is temperate (8)

Down

- 1 Squall keeps doctor in a flutter (6)
- **2** Players have catalogue for recruit (6)
- **3** Art Hilton devised a sports event (9)

- **4** Smooth over hurtful published piece (5,7)
- **6** Take responsibility for fuss over gymnastics (5)
- **7** Norma Jean almost got through African capital (8)
- **8** Rich senator upset about a bit of news (8)
- 11 Parmesan's not unusual in Paris (12)
- **15** American cure meant heartless correction (9)
- **16** Clambers awkwardly in rough ascent (8)
- 17 Supporter is upset in the street? That's irritating! (8)
- **19** Stew gives soldier illness (6)
- **20** Museum student is a delinquent (6)
- 22 Dog beheaded bird (5)

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