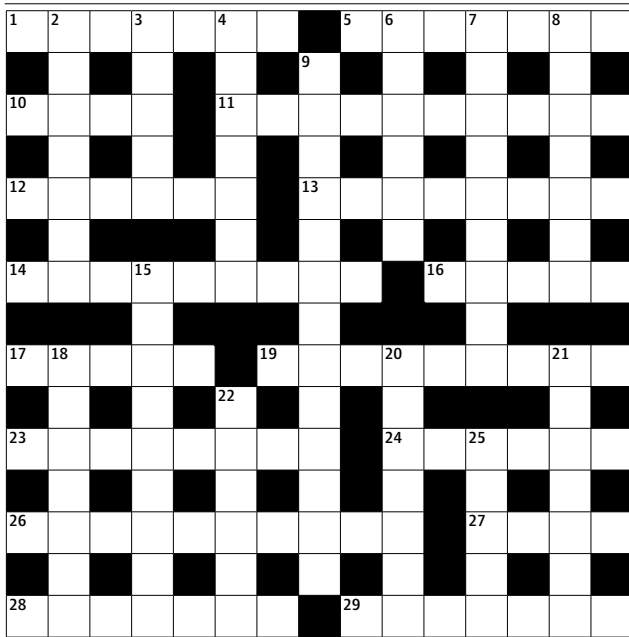


# Guardian cryptic crossword



No 26,000 set by Rufus

## Across

- 1 Start of court proceedings (7)
- 5 Wine cash bill is incorrect – fifty short (7)
- 10 Lean over table (4)
- 11 Plane crash seen by store staff (10)
- 12 Rehearsal for a TT race? (3,3)
- 13 Revealed how one was less reserved? (6,2)
- 14 Setting for new clock in the City? (4-5)
- 16 Cover point keeps out of sight (5)
- 17 Enormous soldier – a six-footer (5)
- 19 I'm so taken aback by it in any display of ill-will (9)
- 23 Wooden horse (8)
- 24 Puzzle set in game (6)
- 26 Simple way of affluent living (4,6)
- 27 Love girl's curved shape (4)
- 28 Complaint I will put before the head (7)
- 29 Concede well contains fish (7)

## Down

- 2 After work, retire to a foreign country (7)
- 3 He makes one cross at times (5)
- 4 TV line between Britain and France (7)
- 6 He's engaged in outdoor pursuits (6)
- 7 They provide power for gun emplacements (9)
- 8 Clued in a way to take one in (7)
- 9 Points out ripe possibilities of advancement (13)
- 15 College girl found in Norfolk (5,4)
- 18 An outcast, his meal is cooked for him (7)
- 20 Music master (7)
- 21 About one thousand different paint drums (7)
- 22 Joins military formations around the East (6)
- 25 Batting cricket side to pocket the ball (2-3)



Winners of prize puzzle 25,993

