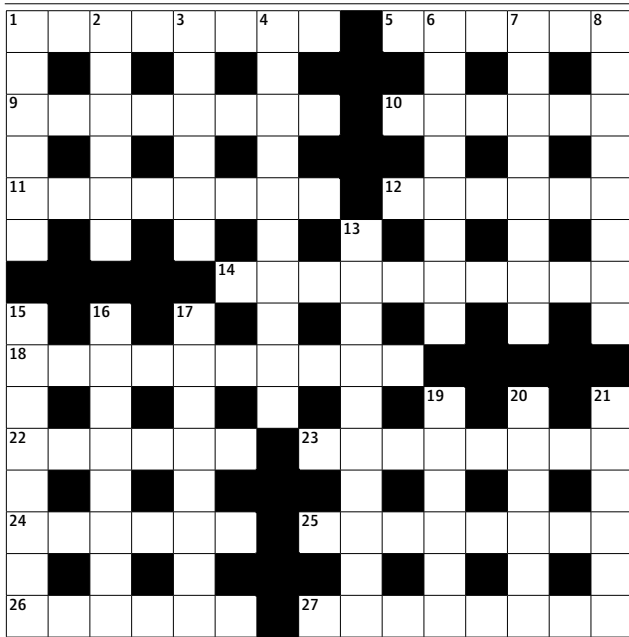


# Guardian cryptic crossword



No 26,036 set by Logodaedalus

Note added 26 August 2013: 19 down - a typo in 'meditate' has been corrected.

### Across

- 1 I might be suffering and gripped by pain (8)
- 5 Boy-trap holds 14 lines from poet's brain (6)
- 9 I don't eat mince – might be a cure for you! (8)
- 10 Hunter, a bishop who breaks plates in two (6)
- 11 Half envy couple, spoiled in luxury (8)
- 12 A place for teaching whales, collectively (6)
- 14 Soliciting to make the painting squeal! (10)
- 18 Longfellow's poem this girl won't conceal (10)
- 22 The army young – half dead with cats about (6)
- 23 Cogs ain't moving? I'm inclined to doubt (8)
- 24 It's natural in pub and swallowed, side by side (6)
- 25 Pitt, Irish playwright, wrote Portillo's guide (8)
- 26 Disturbed desire to live in just one street (6)
- 27 In Western Isles the newly-weds he'll meet (8)

### Down

- 1 A girl's required; no rash could make her right (6)
- 2 A fabled king with skill to hurt – not quite (6)
- 3 A kind of car to shun on motorway (6)

- 4 Not able to keep ice clear as the day (10)
- 6 Past players' view: "Such skies may threaten rain" (8)
- 7 Ran up to bed with chopped ice – that fights pain (8)
- 8 Spread teat with glue – we call it education (8)
- 13 New girl gets stuck with "dragnet restoration" (5,5)
- 15 Row about score – "more grouchy", if you wish (8)
- 16 A children's game that calls for this tinned fish (8)
- 17 A dig up round the Tate that's in a state (8)
- 19 Fetch up some wine at once and meditate (6)
- 20 Married when losing head and so did yearn (6)
- 21 Cow left in steamship dirty looks will earn (6)

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