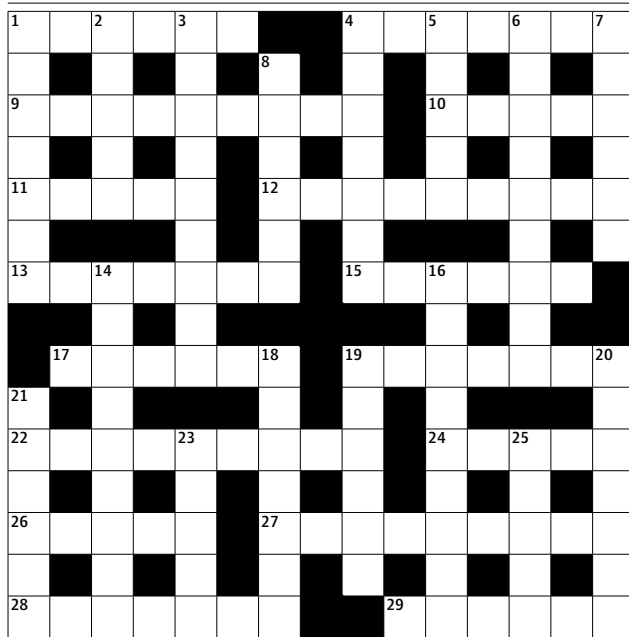


# Guardian cryptic crossword



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## Across

- 1 In Le Monde, Mrs Boatman follows article on cuckoo (6)
- 4 Eat little fish caught here, in an area of the sea (7)
- 9 Two areas of the sea in which to find fish (5,4)
- 10 Uniform visual spread is lacking? It depends on the palate (5)
- 11 Area of sea foam produced with small rotation (5)
- 12 Overly large number in those mixed with taste (9)
- 13 Don't do this to a boat entirely in the sea (7)
- 15 Burden of tragic, boring speech (6)
- 17 Rebuke solver twice, say, in sea area report! (3-3)
- 19 See 22
- 22,19 Where swirling sea breaks into coastline? Thud! Crash! (9,7)
- 24 Where liners originally entered the sea? (5)
- 26 Airship loses skin, ending up in middle of sea (5)
- 27 Protective cover for Spooner's style of hairlines? (9)
- 28 It's wrong or right inside: not exactly mature (7)
- 29 See 5

## Down

- 1 Destined to wander around and around, fed up (4,3)
- 2 Several pointless clues for one in the sea (5)

- 3 Troop movement in April? (5,4)
- 4 Area of sea said to be modest source of fish (7)
- 5,29 Part of sea route is shut off (5,6)
- 6 Regional variation about superior brain support (9)
- 7 It goes into the sea with a message inside (6)
- 8 As a rib might carry one to get inshore (6)
- 14 "Worth, perhaps, 1 euro" – curt fashion statement (9)
- 16 Good-looking sailor spends night here? (9)
- 18 The boat's back! Deliverance! The boat's back! (7)
- 19 Fashionable tempo and a voice on one note (6)
- 20 Row over eccentric letters sent out from superior eating place (7)
- 21 Time to try for scale (6)
- 23 Drummer has one to bash about what's inside (2-3)
- 25 Sea area, say, for two days off across the Channel (5)

Solution No. 26,040

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