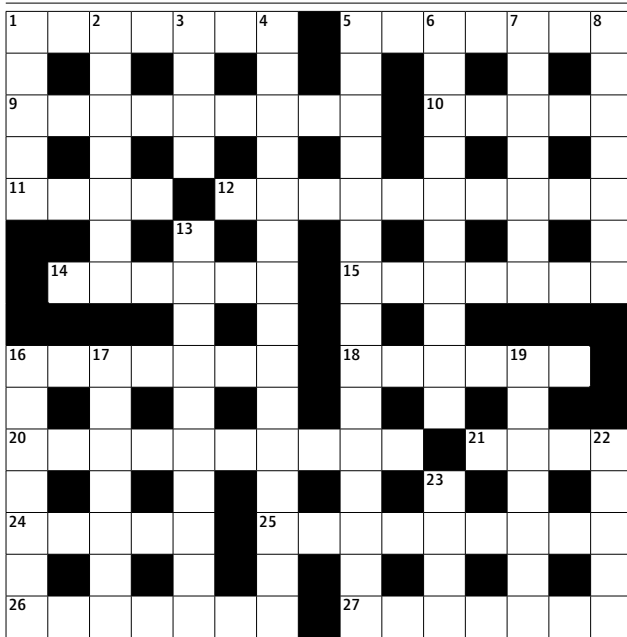


# Guardian cryptic crossword



No 26,043 set by Picaroon

## Across

- 1 One very loudly breaking singer's jaw (7)
- 5 Leonard and Alfred briefly returned the sweet talk (7)
- 9 Having a look about (9)
- 10 Article obtained with spare thousand dollars (5)
- 11 What frotteur does with unknown girl (4)
- 12 Italian composer wasted time once rejecting an infantile complaint (10)
- 14 Barton ultimately a thug, irritating FA (6)
- 15 Argentinian poster boy posed at first with hand bag (7)
- 16 Travelling west, Slav spies Italian city (7)
- 18 Slack dandy stealing Helen's heart with heartless ploy (6)
- 20 In the main, reveals all the low-fat party food? (6-4)
- 21 One's inclined to the left – or to right? To the left (4)
- 24 School of trout swimming (5)
- 25 Public gets behind what a card player may do (9)
- 26 Bores perhaps writing cutting articles (7)
- 27 Sort of jazz instrument holds back from loud hum (4,3)

## Down

- 1 Successful striker won't start – it makes Jonathan lose heart (5)
- 2 What may be employed by summer time – underwear to keep cool, at last (7)
- 3 Iron-clad soldiers look out (4)
- 4 Pour artist small drinks included at beach party by the gallon (4,4,3,4)
- 5 Images in which 3 ate and 14, too? (7,2,6)
- 6 Erotic experience is a drag, we're told (10)
- 7 Cynical racist stance? (7)
- 8 Canvas used by sailor having earache? (7)
- 13 Vain like Gregory? (10)
- 16 Pick-up location where you get kiss – great! (3,4)
- 17 Letter supporting English boy, who gets expelled (7)
- 19 Sort of wine salesman raised alarm (7)
- 22 Fill pot (3,2)
- 23 Excitement makes you cooler (4)

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