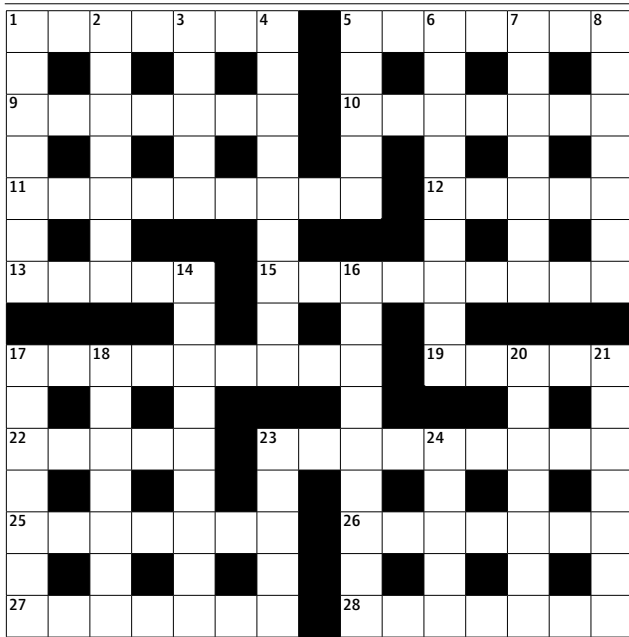


# Guardian cryptic crossword



No 26,054 set by Chionie

## Across

- 1 Fracture in the German fishing boat (7)
- 5 Notice director is with nuclear researchers (7)
- 9 Corruption in Portugal? A German life depends on it! (7)
- 10 Workshops where academic's not acceptable (7)
- 11 Inspect butchers' fat (4,5)
- 12 Trees rendered fragrant compound (5)
- 13 King comes in late for quail (5)
- 15 Care of sister's instrument becoming a problem (9)
- 17 One has aspirations before the bid (9)
- 19 Found firm while at university (3,2)
- 22 Convict to love society in Nigeria (5)
- 23 Team leader supervised recreation in ecstasy (9)
- 25 Swimmer about to be put on display (4,3)
- 26 Soldier-turned-toff finds the French degenerate (7)
- 27 Old ascetic drinks cold spirits (7)
- 28 Proceeding to keep identification conspicuous (7)

## Down

- 1 Spotted theologian eating fruit (7)
- 2 Renoir used to keep ball of mineral (4,3)

- 3 His or her model beneficiary (5)
- 4 Gave up cat during split (9)
- 5 Adulterated drink initially does change (5)
- 6 A nurse set out for Bordeaux (9)
- 7 One ousting European champion (7)
- 8 New 'otelier's strange potion (7)
- 14 Trim blue carpet (5,4)
- 16 Countryman swallowing a bishop's tale (9)
- 17 Range of colour allowed in a spread (7)
- 18 Measure lots to absorb (7)
- 20 Initially taking foreign money is a nuisance (7)
- 21 Calm a sick person (7)
- 23 In short, it lends distinction to a name (5)
- 24 Scot is travelling north in the Middle East (5)

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