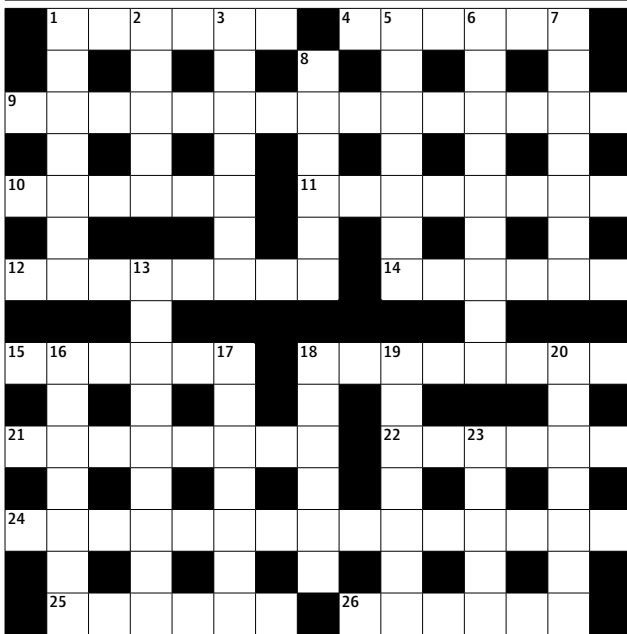


# Guardian cryptic crossword



No 26,349 set by Philistine

## Across

- 1 Not a row of collaborators as fifth regular feature (6)
- 4 Trump after starting: "Some chicken! Some neck!" (6)
- 9 Six here playing a part with Tudor women (11,4)
- 10 Sturdy beachwear removing a kind of shirt instead (6)
- 11 Where to learn about cattle crossing (8)
- 12 Hunk of meat followed by pudding? (8)
- 14 Turning out friendless portrayal (6)
- 15 What burnt ally in this country (6)
- 18 Keen on ice cream sundaes, initially in cold storage (8)
- 21 Cunning ultimate in balls? (8)
- 22 Idiot from Ulster? (6)
- 24 Fat beer tum wobbles in passionately produced opera (6,9)
- 25 Top jobs, less worry (6)
- 26 At nearly ten to ten, Times setter first to get chilli con carne? (3-3)

## Down

- 1 Carroll had on record this laugh's etymological origins (7)
- 2 Subject of a bid to draw (5)
- 3 Setter's queen escapes from Algeria – what a pain! (7)
- 5 Dictionary incompletely defines "a place of debate" (7)
- 6 Winter nut is spelt out? No (9)
- 7 Chapter in Steppenwolf, or a German sustenance seeker (7)
- 8 Ten toes spread out with no purpose (6)
- 13 A girl's fan, *peut-être* (9)
- 16 Green making a fuss about vote cast being halved (7)
- 17 But French study admitted young women (7)
- 18 Music a squeezebox provides for headgear (6)
- 19 River voyage danger? Ditch dozens in the centre (7)
- 20 At first camera held poorly? Cut! Cut and calm down! (7)
- 23 No end to the peculiar beat (5)

Solution No. 26,348

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