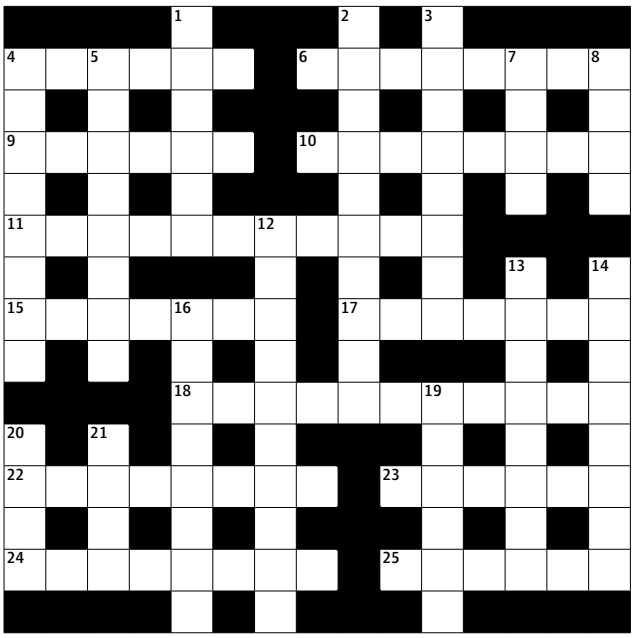
Guardian cryptic crossword



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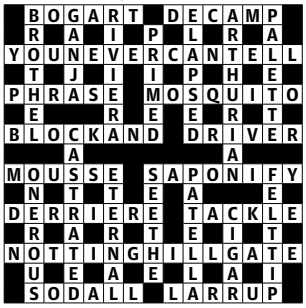
Fifteen solutions are of a kind, not further defined.

Across

4 Appropriate to be astride a horse (6)
6 Whisk round a couple of eggs for starters (3-5)
9 A European sun-lover may, do you say? (6)
10 Righted a wrong in later life (5,3)
11 Why Imogen constructed this grid is not important (3,3,5)
15 One lawyer looking embarrassed, being rude (3-4)
17 Book one form of transport with equipment for gardener (7)
18 Be conscious of the sea, perhaps, aboard ship (11)
22 American island is a struggling former colony (8)
23 Encouragement to opera singer who took nude role (6)
24 A gun, when packed in clothing (8)
25 Red Sea and river in France (6)

Down

1 Symptom of cold keeps husband in (6)
2 Female runner (3,7)
3 1 of 50 garments in a range for uplifting (8)
4 What "blonde" means, putting the counter-argument (2,2,4)
5 Rest, relaxing by lake, in thematic film (8)
7 Drink over a litre (4)
8 Dunderhead is not all there (4)
12 Overcoming resistance, move reluctantly to capital (10)
13 Who would send such an invoice – it's cobblers! (8)
14 Get back to work when day breaks (8)
16 Owning collection, I sort out artist (8)
19 Commonly own a complete range – I say! (6)
20 First in consecutive series (4)
21 Port is not quite finished (4)

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