

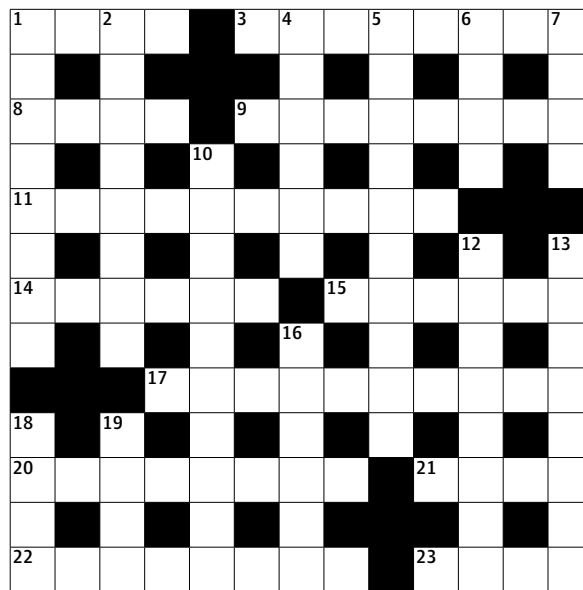
## Quick crossword no 13,259

### Across

- 1 Cause to get stuck (in soft mud?) (4)  
 3 Branch of maths dealing with differentiation and integration (8)  
 8 Object (4)  
 9 Horses' eyeshades? (8)  
 11 Irrefutable evidence (of a shooting?) (7,3)  
 14 Drug with an opium base (6)  
 15 Collection of star systems (made of chocolate?) (6)  
 17 Grossly unconventional (3,3,4)  
 20 Plant with showy flowers – fax to lad (anag) (8)  
 21 Kind of cat (4)  
 22 Homeless feline (5,3)  
 23 Female opera star (4)

### Down

- 1 Leaflet sent to a large group at the same time (8)  
 2 Bombast – speechcraft (8)  
 4 Aver – maintain (6)  
 5 (In grammar) inflected a verb systematically – do get Cajun (anag) (10)  
 6 Art song – told porkies (4)  
 7 Ribbon worn over the shoulder (4)  
 10 Evenly divided (5-5)  
 12 Exotic Dutch dancer, executed by the French as a German, 1917 (4,4)  
 13 Word blindness (8)  
 16 Layers (6)



- 18 (In Ancient Greece) walkway with a roof supported by colonnades (4)  
 19 Round object (4)

### Solution no 13,258

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