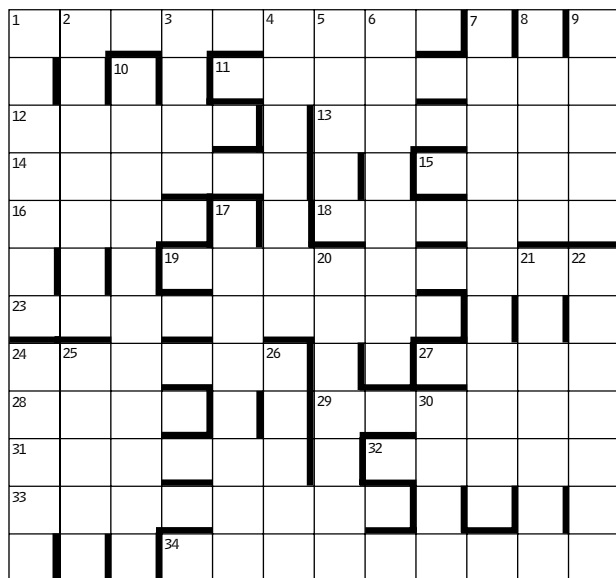


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ACROSS

- 1 Film starring e.g. Bruce Lee, arrogant about jumps? (9)
- 11 Peepers excited about a star group (8)
- 12 Trembler rarely in grip of disease is malingering (5)
- 13 Gathering round exotic bird in little hat (6)
- 14 Plain cotton that's half absorbing dried blood? (6)
- 15 Aganippe, say – might feet be suggested by this? (4)
- 16 Sing along meaninglessly composition of Falla (not loud) (4)
- 18 Surly lout, hard, laid into hack (6)
- 19 Coward maybe, in bother about lustreless lives (9)
- 23 Defunct uncle, one enshrined in grim bearing (9)
- 24 Like a drink? This is wildly gingery (6)
- 27 Bass trumpet in band creating fuzzy effect (4)
- 28 Associate – more than one in Frankfurt is sinister (4)
- 29 Less time to learn German? It could be normal with these classes (6)
- 31 Anaesthetic drug: doze I have when coming round (6)
- 32 Company abandoned morris dance customs (5)
- 33 Chum holding a flap I connected to a sort of parachute (8)
- 34 The sort of thing Greens approve of, turning powdery in experience I've lost (9)

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Across 1, anag. less no; 7, o in PPE; name of 13 popes; 11, car + of (rev.) + X; 12, has + lavis(h) in ta-ta;; 16, wee (rev.) in pit; ref. Sebastian Faulkes's WW1 novel; 19, comp. anag.; 21, upper (n); 24, se(l)dom (rev.) + t; 29, sen. + roi (rev.); 32, oats in grue(l).
 Down Down 1, Ch. in suss; 2, sec and in noy; 5, anag. in litter; 6, N + a + V(ictor); 7, rim in ped³; 8, tines in pots; ref. C. Huhne and V. Pryce; 11, arpent in anag.; m in Times (rev.); see skivvy²; 23, y in anag.; 24, missa(y).

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DOWN

- 1 Players given guidance with solid defences (7)
- 2 Sort of cornbread, one wrapped up in ham? (7)
- 3 Small coin like this is seen in circulation round Spain (4)
- 4 Musician, one accompanying harp in medley (7)
- 5 The basics, including egg, covered with slice of Cheddar cheese (5)
- 6 Roast fish served in a hulk at sea (8)
- 7 Bit of armour I glue on, mixing up lesson from the past (11)
- 8 Accepted ring, imitation? (5)
- 9 Article without core and then out of order providing effective power (5)
- 10 Aluminium silicate I put in grinder's turned up in tea, oddly (11)
- 17 French gateau, nutty stuff once carried on board (8)
- 20 Sword length swallowed by small type of shark (7)
- 21 Very small sum added to reserve fund – most disagreeable (7)
- 22 Aid when playing organ runs in Satie's Capriccioso? (7)
- 24 Phoenician letter? One has help with translation (5)
- 25 May/June period, start of summer, terrible one? (5)
- 26 Frantically busy Old Trafford local maybe, hosting international (5)
- 30 Part of central London given over for crown historically (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2011) is recommended. 31 appears in earlier editions.