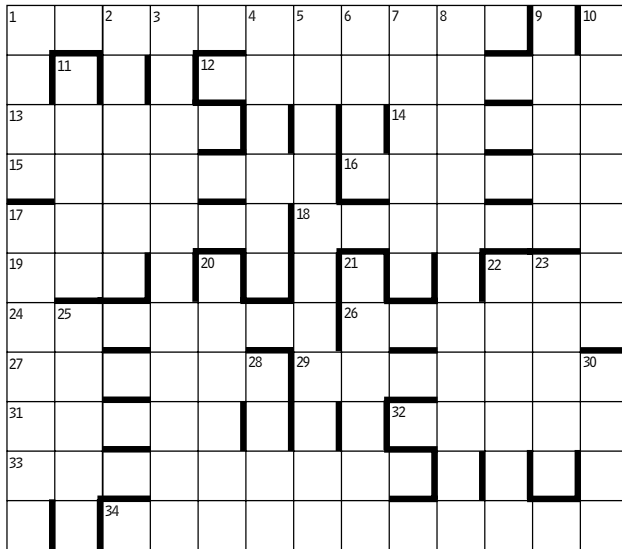


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ACROSS

- 1 Piecework twice involves chopping fir, Pacific tree, a variegated confection (11)
- 12 Old publican giving a sly look when imbibing wee Scotch? (9)
- 13 Abandon food (5)
- 14 Section of porthole that's certainly not panchromatic (5)
- 15 Might it proscribe 'alien corn'? Ask Ruth, wretched (7)
- 16 Once set on end, last bit of lighter inserted alight from behind (6)
- 17 Twelve months without a disputed word from the bard (6)
- 18 TV family, English, taking in southern char (7, 2 words)
- 19 Former sovereign, mad, king got rid of (3)
- 22 Beard, a hint of whiskeriness on end of chin (3)
- 24 Missing a note, awkward to Rihanna – it's high-pitched (7)
- 26 Mutton, tough mostly, large amount (6)
- 27 Vatican asks oddly about a priestly mantle (6)
- 29 Madeleine's rich 'cousins' dined in parts of Germany formerly (7)
- 31 Strict sectarians go hungry once fast's heading off (5)
- 32 Keen amateur, this bloke (5)
- 33 Greek army division, once strong within – what's in them may be hailed (9, 2 words)

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M	P	A	A	M	O	T	H	E	R	L	Y	E
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P N E U M
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F H K L Q
V W X Y Z

Across 1, lunged; 5, omasal; 12, aqua in part; 14, odious; 21, wear in sd (qv); 24, gena PPE; 25, aka Florentine iris; 27, aldrin; a l drin(k); 29, wa(n)if; 30, en + 'senior'; 31, a safe + adit (rev.); 32, bureau; (amo)ur in beau; 33, zeugma.

Down 1, anag, less anag.; 4, agin in anag.; 6, sate in sup (all rev.); 8, K (= 1,000) + stag (qv) in eye; 11, i.e. -logy (qv); 16, best + a in owl; 17, s area in cen.; ref. c. section; 22, Joe P., US film actor; 23, ari(ch) a; 28, gan (qv) + t.

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34 Ma with oil paints daubed superior canvas (11)

DOWN

- 1 Some sound of movement from part of rear, but not seen (4)
- 2 Big mutt along with pothead maybe (6)
- 3 A ship? A *yacht*, one corrected, babbling volubly (11)
- 4 Like some meal, see, devoured in a frenzy (6)
- 5 Caustic Sterne scribbled about his corporal, mostly no good (11)
- 6 Their shoots are edible – special glory when top's removed (4)
- 7 Breeches from old Ireland in lustrous emerald (6)
- 8 Old Clydeside seaman having to linger over barrel fumes (11, 2 words)
- 9 What'll give ball a lift, with injection of explosive giggle (5)
- 10 Rough treatment of teen includes the cane – it's corrosive (7)
- 11 Legume in which an appetiser is served (5)
- 17 Instrument that binds large tank, egg-shaped (7)
- 20 I'm bearing up around short time in September / October (6)
- 21 Hurray for fruitcake! (6)
- 22 Becoming quite tongue-tied, all dithery with nurse around (6)
- 23 Will's past form: won, playing ludo (5)
- 25 Tree part's not lead in play opening in London (5)
- 28 Trumpeter perhaps showing off king dismissed (4)
- 30 Bellow? It's associated with bull essentially (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2011) is recommended. The spelling at 27 is given in earlier editions, as well as in Webster and other dictionaries.