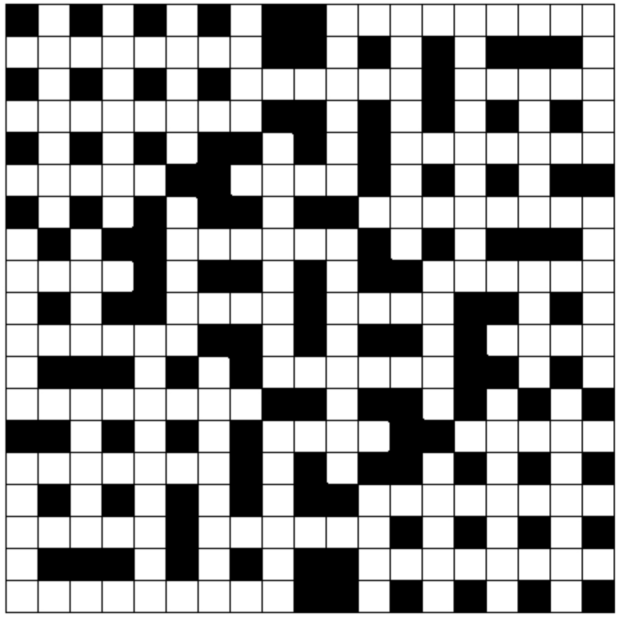
Guardian cryptic crossword



No 26,537 set by Maskarade

Clues are listed in alphabetical order of their solutions, which should be entered in the grid to fit, jigsaw-wise. In each pair of solutions beginning with the same letter, one of them will be of a kind, not further defined.

A Short month working at an airfield (5)
First and last rose withered (6)

B Unfortunately, unable to include Tooting's follower (9)
Actor's tub at a fete's the same (6)

C Shot, following most of chilled Irish meal (9)
Arrested, but a sign of danger must be ignored (4)

D Old record player and radio poet holds (8)
Pair following Victoria – composed old soprano from Spain (5)

E Hallé conductor's ancestor (5)
European reformer pens first evangelical article (9)

F Flat renovated with old-time fittings (6)
Sweet donkey (4)

G Old Hindu fellow with a pair of spectacles (6)
Egocentric journalism lacking news tip-off (4)

H Regularly – oh dear! – doing bird (5)
Decoration left out completely, it's reported (4)

I Data on America traps a male with a bad reputation (8)
Today's theme – almost always (5)

J Script for coffee man (4)
Fighting on horseback, Rowan's successor has nothing on Galahad, for starters! (8)

K Soprano's unfinished dyed fabric (8)
The King and I cut – God forbid! – gold jewel (3-1-4)

L Left-over impression, say, and suffer amputation (4,1,3)
Quirky lounge lizard without a girdle (5)

M Two months acting (7)
There's a jumble about nine miles ahead (3-2)

N Undiluted contents taken regularly (4)
Negative type – like a registrar? (8)

O Where, in France, a head honcho is held (4)
Oysters from the country, we're told (6)

P Type of ship returned for artist (7)
Sat out, passionately bewildered (9)

Q Monarch's address (5)
Landing places on today's theme, reportedly (5)

R Bit of thunder and rain falling around the outskirts of Hull (7)
Slicer in bits? Yes! (6)

S Moved into a siding and crashed (7)
Wandering the lanes (2,6)

T I want a review (6)
A couple of novices in Austria (5)

U Take top off liner's recreation area and get rid of decorations (6)
Cockney's quiet, starting to absorb new technology (6)

V Helmut's dad, for example (8)
Girl and young lad ignored the law (8)

W Writers Rebecca and Bradbury (7)
Crash and finish filming (4)

X 10 - 1 reversal – Norway is inert (5)
American husband embraced by Christian, briefly (7)

Y Give a lift to American chap at Harvard? (4,2)
Back from the valleys (4)

Z Poet changes his top (5)
Unwell, upset, leaving extremely large amount in Jerusalem (4)

Solution No. 26,536

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