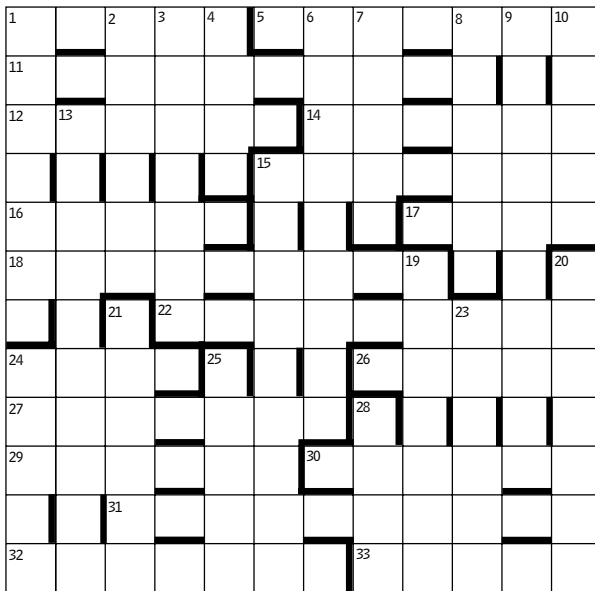


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ACROSS

- 1 Forest dwellers like returning with food (5)
- 5 It casts a glow right inside a heap (7)
- 11 Universal pub tittle – try imbibing one – undecided? (10, 4 words)
- 12 Pedlar, clumsy one, person with tent of skins (6)
- 14 Viscous liquid container ass dropped, aerated? (6)
- 15 Motorway group, not united in revealing distance travelled (7)
- 16 It was fragile and it's broken (5)
- 17 Knight consumed by passion, touching (4, 2 words)
- 18 Against embarking on 'Donna' ('mobile') at a measured pace? (9)
- 22 Foreign racing driver, fantastically 'vite'? Here's panegyric (9)
- 24 Lost seat? A disappointment (4)
- 26 Helping of lunch, a Ramadan tabu (5)
- 27 Rough sketch of queen in emergency is scrapped (7)
- 29 Reverse of clean: in other words, putrid (6)
- 30 Keeps watch once island is surrounded by returning ooze (6)
- 31 Recalling demigod, the lady's one, pure, nursing heart of faith (10)
- 32 Skin bearing feathers partly concealed round goose's rump (7)

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C	A	P	S	T	A	N	T	A	B	L	E
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Across 1, st. ant in capable; 13, win (rev.) in taha; 14, comp. anag.; ref. Alexander Pope; 16, Anne + ux. (rev.) + re; 17, d + lshy; 24, comp. anag. & lit.; 26, s + pan in arch; 29, (i) dea + rest; 30, rumbles; 31, hidden.

Down 1, hidden; 2, r in sun-up (rev.); 3, (ala) strim; 4, a in thewy; 5, no. tan + DA; 6, a in tree; ref. Rose of T. Festival; 7, ode in tub (all rev.); 8, la terre with it for r; 9, tome (rev.) + E; 15, amis (rev.) + rub a; 20, nett + led; 22, REME in bn; 24, had in car; 26, spru(n)g; 27, anag. less d + l, & lit.

PRIZERULES

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33 Digger who becomes more overbearing with British around (5)

DOWN

- 1 Indian captain, alight, hoisted a run (7)
- 2 Something to entertain the children? I had five in small tub (6)
- 3 Very uptight about strong drink – it's related to chest pain (7)
- 4 Article with end cut *Times* garbled (4)
- 6 E.g. CRI's die horribly (or did, mostly) (9)
- 7 Lily having term absent (5)
- 8 'Very holy' girl libertarian easily inveigles (6)
- 9 Position of European noble giving endless party in seaside resort (10)
- 10 Beneficiary, certainly, within price-earnings ratio (5)
- 13 Old park officer also pulled up medicinal plant (10)
- 15 Dorothy, perhaps, joins mum and Albert early in the day (9)
- 19 Marine mammals thrashing about in sea riot (7)
- 20 Landed estate not once under ancient townships (7)
- 21 Chump, male, modelling dress (6)
- 23 It's painful for viewers – and it's welcomed by Murdoch possibly (6)
- 24 Cutting seconds and stuff (5)
- 25 Doubt expressed in tremulous voice, one very lost inside (5)
- 28 Composer: left fragments of Albumblätter and light opera (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended. 33 appears in earlier editions.