

SUNDAY No 44 - WORLD PUZZLE by GAFF

A cryptic puzzle themed on one particular place in the world. Its name should be inserted at 24 down. Work out the place by solving the *asterisked clues, all undefined. Their solutions have some relevance to the place, such as famous people, landmarks, culture and language

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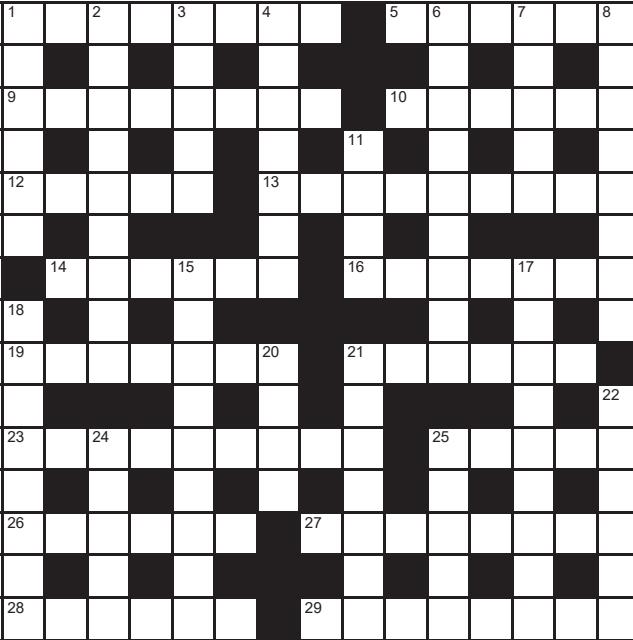
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1 * Love sergeant major (8)
5 Clip holding suitable notebook (6)
9 * Delay order for a time (2,6)
10 Fit line into communication (6)
12 Gold piece, of course (5)
13 * Top shoe in fashion with songstress (9)
14 * Degree in idle talk (6)
16 * Sad to be beheaded (7)
19 See 22 Down
21 Impact of waterfall (6)
23 Supreme set-back dogs gang owner (9)
25 Cause of movement by middle men to reject agreement (5)
26 One who speaks for volunteers in ferry going west (6)
27 * Roman assassin runs into first victim (8)
28 Void filled by a flower (6)
29 * Lineages (8)

1 River fraud could be a hobby (6)
2 A large middle-aged supporter heartily sick of maths (9)
3 Team's even encountered an ant (5)
4 Body of cheerleader to curve and jerk (7)
6 Cut pillow for a bad joke (5,4)
7 * Cooked pasta (5)
8 * Raise redstart eggs almost from first principle (3,5)
11 Turned down extract of root (4)
15 * Balance or collapse (9)
17 Tory bears terrible eatery (6,3)
18 * A short operation turns out to be nearly enough (8)
20 Punch with vigour (4)
21 * Short country road to central urban area (7)
22/19 * All so confused between two vehicles of state (6,7)
24 [See Setter Notes] (5)
25 * Turn up volume to interrupt croak (2,3)



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