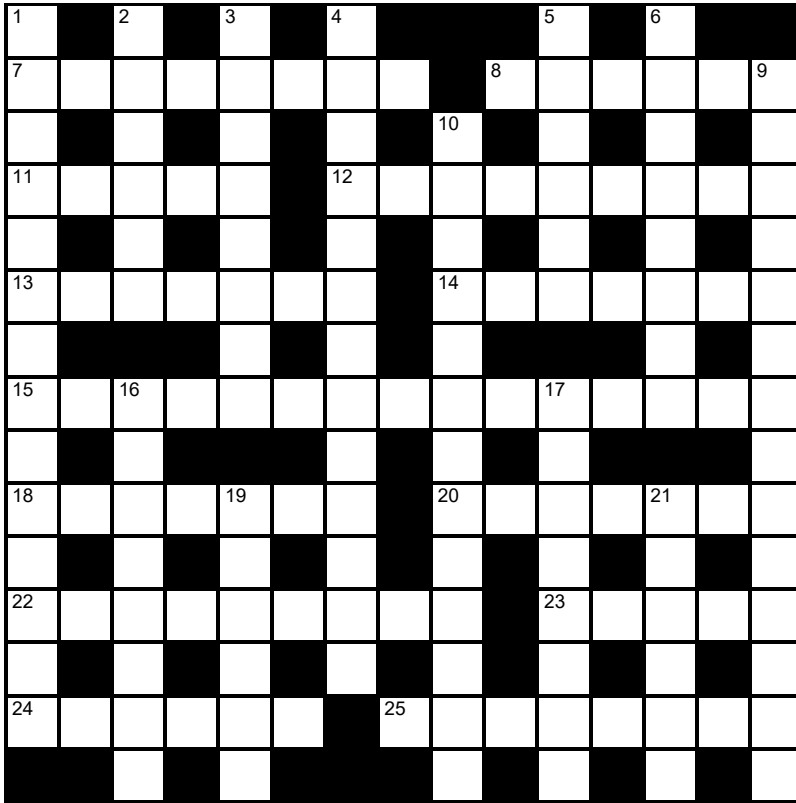


CROSSWORD

No 17,270 Set by BUCCANEER



ACROSS

- 7 Brief examination finished on 1 divided by 100 (4-4)
- 8 Honour artist perhaps from the east (6)
- 11 Jewellery was delivered – a ring (5)
- 12 Subjects for Gauguin painter's capturing I see (9)
- 13 Aristocrat, one soaking up atmosphere in the capital (7)
- 14 Better men exposed to the elements (7)
- 15 Run or stagger, urged to enter old Balkan land (5-6,4)
- 18 People dressed for horse-riding (7)
- 20 Graft maintains official in clover perhaps (7)
- 22 Excellent tripe pie sent back in eatery (9)
- 23 Demonstrated what bridal wear could be made of (5)
- 24 Officer retreats in stratagem appropriate for horses? (6)
- 25 Male among a lot of geese and bats in mating times (8)

DOWN

- 1 A cold-blooded sort, criminal stole firm gold cases (3,11)
- 2 Cheat detective tails in a restaurant (6)
- 3 Masculine character keeps running round flat pitch (8)
- 4 Show player, team's right-winger (4,4,5)
- 5 Clear out base, getting disheartened on the job (4,2)
- 6 Italian player about to get clothing for Sampdoria star (8)
- 9 Policemen decree punishment, son being unruly (14)
- 10 On which passengers can go all the way by coaches (7,6)
- 16 Run through outskirts of Rome on slow vehicle (8)
- 17 Kit, say, with a climbing activity on mount (8)
- 19 PM briefly supporting bachelor's engagement (6)
- 21 Name dropping, mention jockeys when expected (2,4)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,269

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