

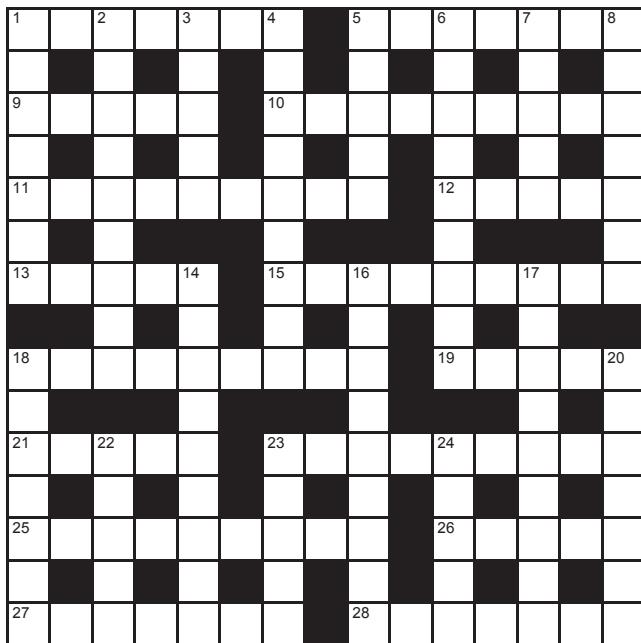
# Crossword 16,532 Set by Mudd

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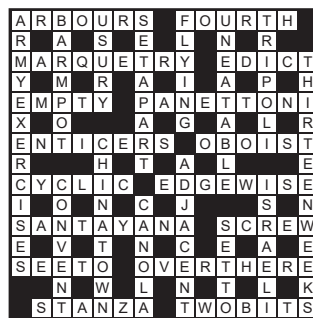
- 1 Plant bomb on dude (7)
- 5 Small bird shot with primitive weapon (7)
- 9 Ancient poet dressing old, curvy body (5)
- 10 Hell putting Mexico, perhaps, behind wall (9)
- 11 French food about right, while service vacuous in restaurant (9)
- 12 Brownish-yellow brooch, red clasps (5)
- 13 Person in boat, one falling out with another? (5)
- 15 A rave has gone out of control, typically (2,7)
- 18 Fringes on eiderdown in worsted fabric, trim regularly plain (9)
- 19 Tossing away odd bits of paper, sloppy old writer (5)
- 21 Free bet's non-starter, that is (5)
- 23 Rounding cape at sea, pale colour on one's cheeks etc (4,5)
- 25 Devastating blow has one stop working in class (9)
- 26 Leg put on (5)
- 27 Case dispensed with, grog drunk by inebriate in private (7)
- 28 With a long straight handle, screwed (7)

## DOWN

- 1 Gear – smack (7)
- 2 Legendary conflict's end in sight, first of twelve caught by arrow, unfortunately (6,3)
- 3 Asian river is nearly dark, until show starts (5)
- 4 Sign of Henry VIII barking out orders (5,4)
- 5 Putting piece of cake into handbag, I'm meticulous! (5)
- 6 Thus, a time for contemporary music programme (4,5)
- 7 Blooming thing hard, as are some setters? (5)
- 8 Fliers featuring no Italian (7)
- 14 Those second beans hard to reach? (7-2)
- 16 Unadulterated, funny show in the main sent up (2,2,5)
- 17 Alsatians mauled attacker (9)
- 18 What to do with turkey? I give up! (5,2)
- 20 Smoker's articles confiscated by school (7)
- 22 Dry up above oxygen booster (5)
- 23 Defeat, as weakness picked up? (5)
- 24 Bows and ribbons perhaps finished with taffeta, finally (5)



Solution 16,531



Solution 16,520

