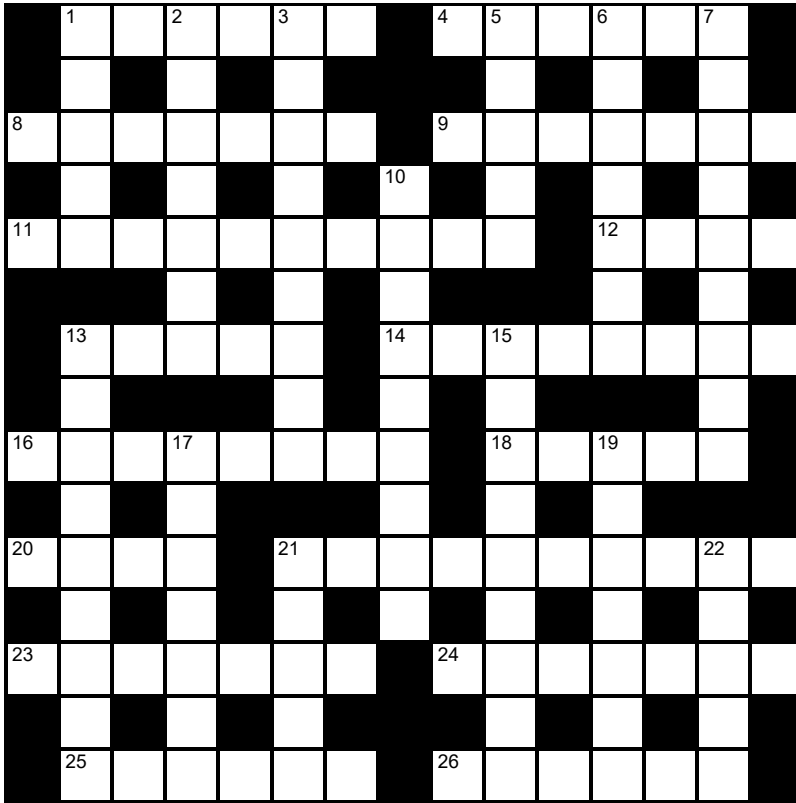


CROSSWORD

No 17,348 Set by ROSA KLEBB



ACROSS

- 1 Refuse to drop bishop in petrol station (6)
- 4 Conservative may pass round brandy (6)
- 8 Rustic prince adopted by wrong family (7)
- 9 Fury about Australian state ruling (7)
- 11 Killjoy prizes strong wine (10)
- 12 Oddly learned to find oneself (4)
- 13 Weird bachelor advancing, smelling of alcohol (5)
- 14 Tense chimps perhaps attempt needlepoint (8)
- 16 Bugs and insects heartily devoured by unnamed camel (8)
- 18 Fool cut short maiden speech, characteristically (5)
- 20 Shells perhaps found in hammock (4)
- 21 Pirates had inaccurate charts (3,7)
- 23 Useless retired university lecturer getting into bind (7)
- 24 Desperate desire to edge closer to you remains (7)
- 25 Use trick to follow setter back (6)
- 26 Reportedly ring young bird (6)

DOWN

- 1 Crosspatch sampling disgusting rum punch (5)
- 2 Malcontent let rip about English lowlife (7)
- 3 One who denies throwing Gary in sea (9)
- 5 Patent concluded on time (5)
- 6 Indefinite number regularly doing extra puzzle (7)
- 7 Enigma Code endlessly enthralled religious eccentric (9)
- 10 Spooner's mob walked as fast as possible (4-5)
- 13 Upper-class bores bemoaned dissolute high society (4,5)
- 15 Hobby that's surprisingly hip in recent times (9)
- 17 Finally taught tame pig to get up and dance (3-4)
- 19 Single Scotsman pursuing vehicle of hubristic high-flyer (7)
- 21 Greeting everyone in house (5)
- 22 Glory of topless sex cult (5)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,347

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