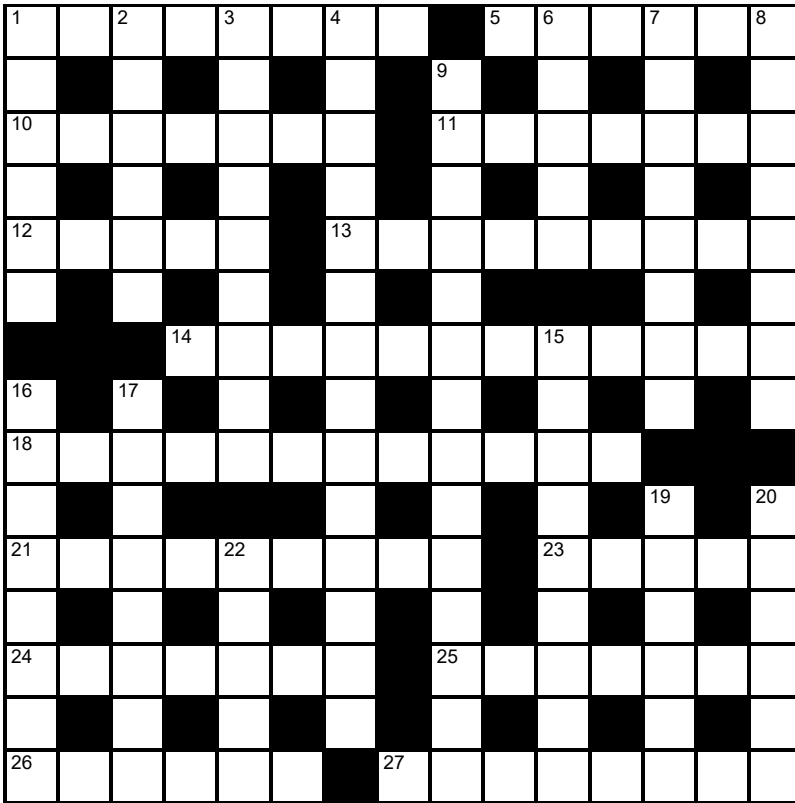


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ACROSS

- 1 What contrary portrait artist might do is liability (8)
- 5 Drab uncovered coastal structure is steel (6)
- 10 Report of one who verifies regular pattern (7)
- 11 First person in reference work, friend of mythical king (7)
- 12 Soon returned from sultanate (5)
- 13 Forming foam disc on machine tool (9)
- 14 Getting score is decisive moment (7,5)
- 18 Clear one in French court with debts resolved (12)
- 21 Hinder fine plant's disease with speed (9)
- 23 Suppose irrational individual hides (5)
- 24 Struggle to fish beside water that's unoccupied (7)
- 25 Journey round centre of peculiarly Mediterranean port (7)
- 26 Dull drive at daybreak taking out learner (6)
- 27 Yen for saccharine ultimately in tea break — demolished cake (8)

DOWN

- 1 Senior academic in function with other ranks holding court (6)
- 2 Venues like to support upcoming new generation (6)
- 3 Shops being located in roundabout I questioned (9)
- 4 Joyous song popular live, essentially chant through *Hot Stuff* (8,6)
- 6 Become confused having diamonds taken in dodgy deal (5)
- 7 Understood artlessness should be exposed (8)
- 8 Demote ambassador after upsetting queen (8)
- 9 Influencer pleased God? (7,7)
- 15 Publicity on self-sustaining settlement being advanced development (9)
- 16 Following nonsense article, you and I had laughed out loud (8)
- 17 Residents pressure a couple to move (8)
- 19 I'm about to join mother consuming very large cocktail (6)
- 20 Laugh at terrible uprising of French guards (6)
- 22 Cat regularly scratched at King Henry (5)

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