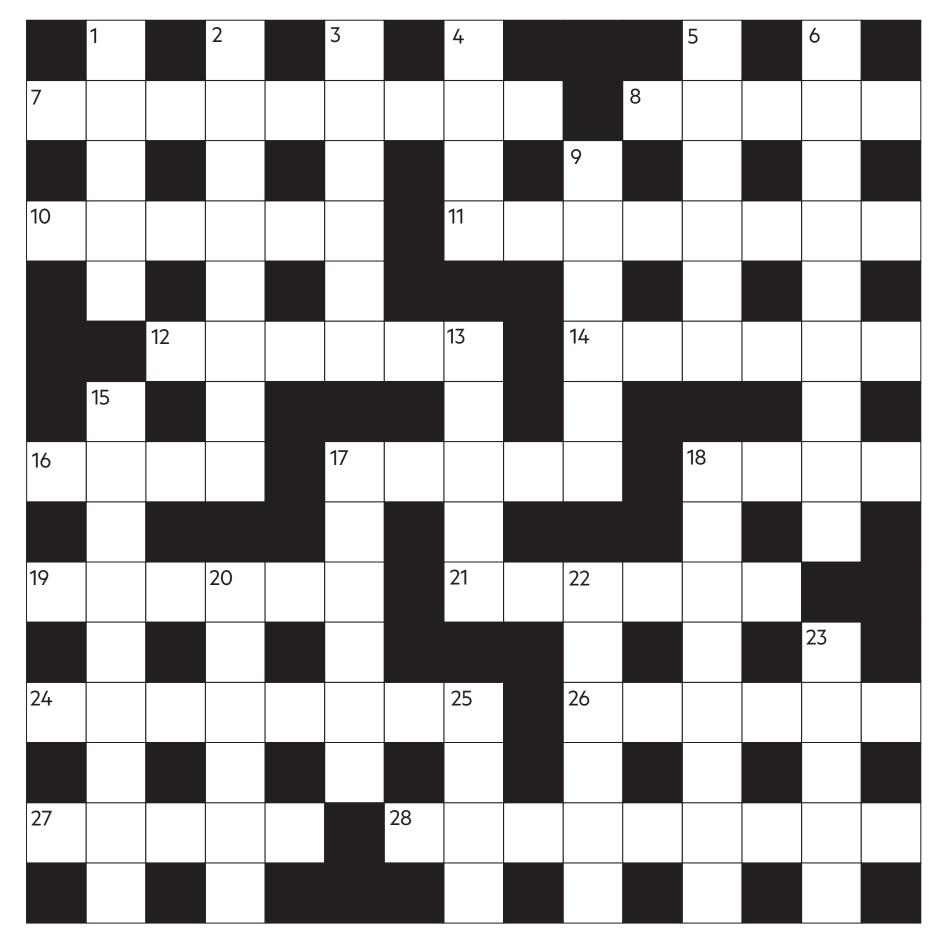
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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

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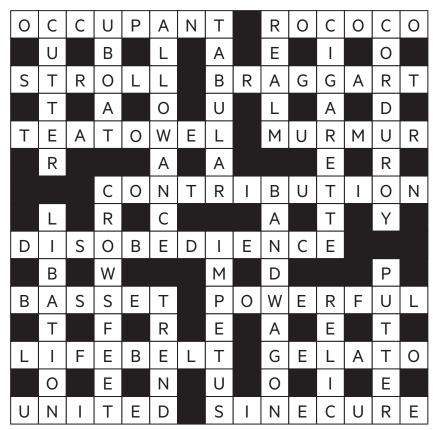
7 Unorthodox, blasphemous (9)

## DOWN

**1** It's OK, commonly, to run away (5)

- 8 Run-of-the-mill (5)
- **10** Animated (6)
- 11 Solemn, grave (8)
- **12** Of the spring (6)
- 14 Flag (6)
- **16** Boxing match (4)
- 17 Ancient poet (5)
- **18** Badly injure (4)
- **19** Aromatic medicinal plant (6)
- 21 Respect (6)
- 24 Mad rush (8)
- **26** On the surface (6)
- **27** Vision (5)
- **28** Pirate (9)

## Solution 493



**2** Strong superheroes taken in check (8)

**3** African country almost grabs one that's near (6)

**4** Young creature from ecological farm (4)

5 Get about in agriculturalbuilding that's empty of produce(6)

**6** Get about with time for a journal and use just the odd bits for list (9)

9 Sharpshooter's right after bird(6)

**13** The French encounter strange climbing creature (5)

**15** First military camp when sailor's imprisoned (3, 1, 5)

**17** A bit of heavy metal organised

for a small settlement (6)

**18** US state's light army manoeuvred first (8)

**20** Vessel's mast put up without time to criticise (6)

**22** Slight touch from grand weapon (6)

23 Drink in the village restaurant(5)

**25** Case for regular pieces of beat music (4)