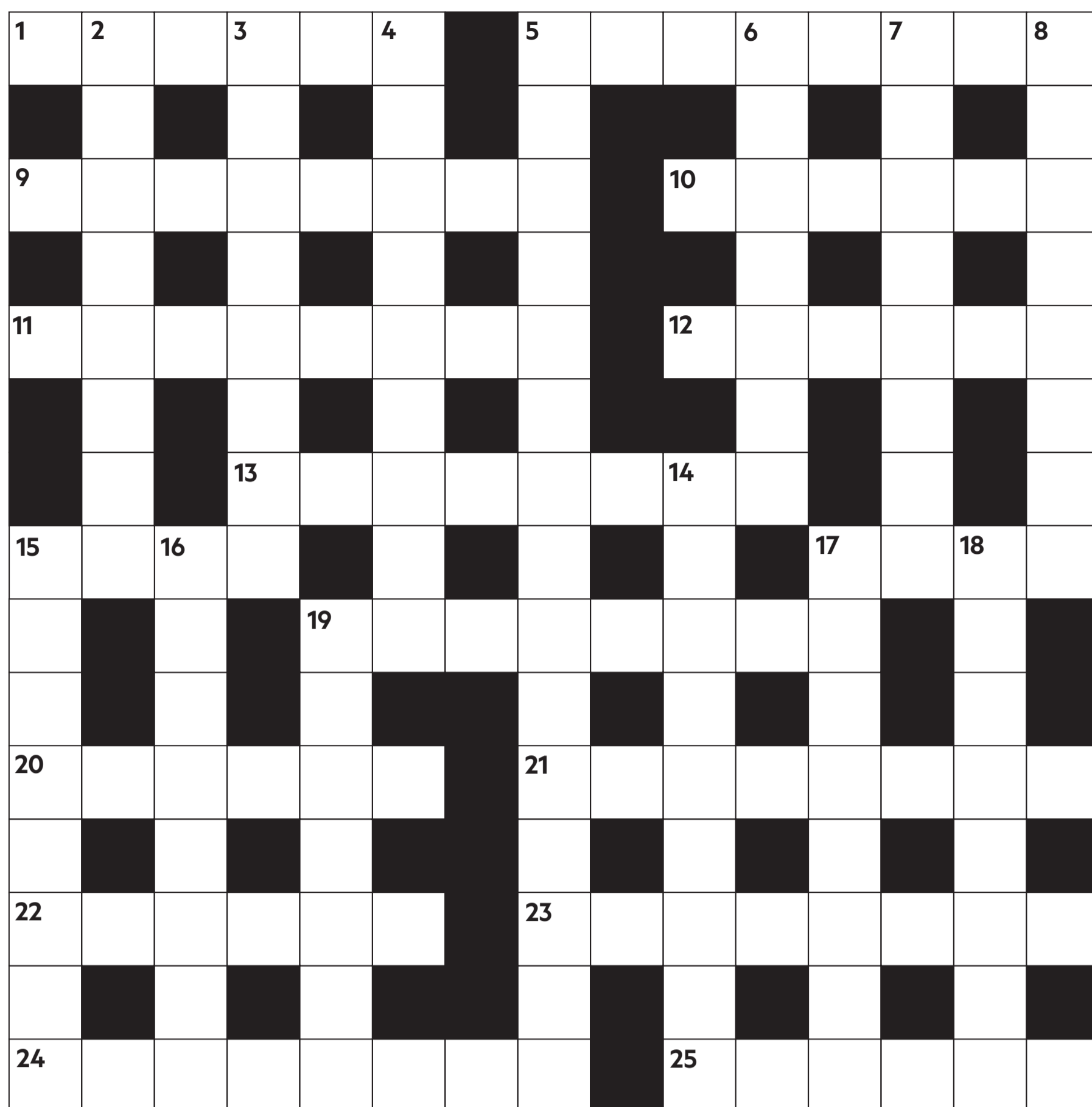


# FT Crossword: Weekend Magazine number 609

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

## ACROSS

- 1 Academy (6)
- 5 Of the chest (8)
- 9 Gamebird with a long beak (8)
- 10 Religious split (6)
- 11 Flood (8)
- 12 Two-note parasitic bird (6)
- 13 Taciturn, tight-lipped (8)
- 15 Unattractive (4)
- 17 Russian emperor (4)
- 19 Simple form of carbon (8)
- 20 One who's fled their home country (6)
- 21 Fool, idiot (8)
- 22 Spectator (6)
- 23 Sicken (8)
- 24 Playboy, rake (8)
- 25 Using the latest gadgets (2-4)

## DOWN

- 2 The king's having coronation (8)
- 3 Standard gold currency joins yen (8)
- 4 Tend to freak out after loud outburst starts (4, 5)
- 5 Be offended by drunken intake too outside bar (4, 9, 2)
- 6 Tell about foreign aristocrat (7)
- 7 Not a word about old childhood disease (8)
- 8 Company gets Proms arranged around English musical creator (8)
- 14 Cosmetic item for lash I burn stupidly (9)
- 15 Chaos at university with one against remedy going around (8)
- 16 Medical preparation with mine somehow wrapped in dressing (8)
- 17 Box with ongoing pain in ordeal (3, 5)
- 18 I chat about boxing permit that's fit (8)
- 19 Plant in danger? Be rational (7)

## Solution 608

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