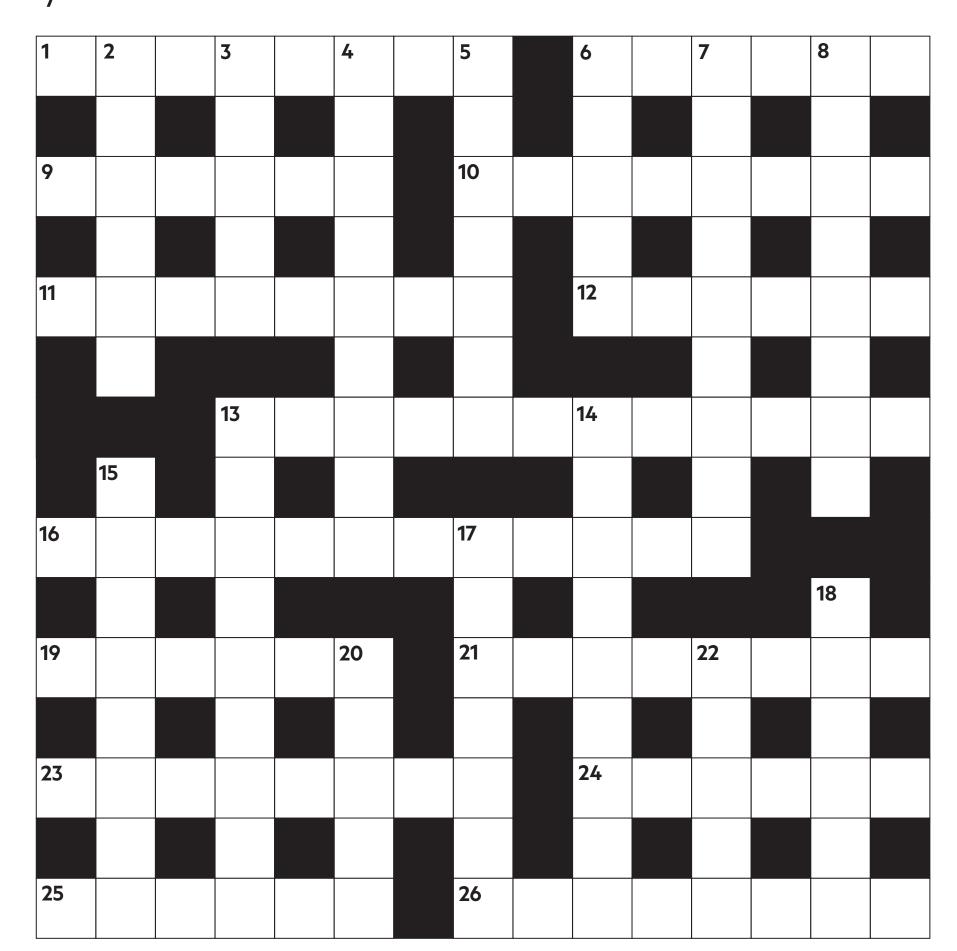
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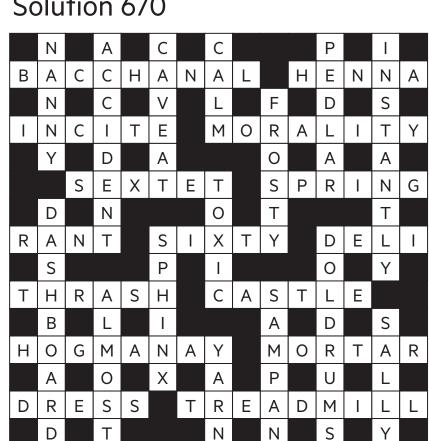


The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

## **ACROSS**

- **1** Basic substance (8)
- Careless, slapdash (6)
- Unborn baby (6) 9
- 10 Demean (8)
- Phrase of reluctant 11 agreement (4, 4)
- Disease-bearing African fly (6)
- 13 Bad-tempered, grouchy (12)
- Intimate discussion (5-2-5) 16
- 19 Foul atmosphere (6)
- Join in, be involved (4, 4) 21
- **23** Light-yellow spring flower (8)
- 24 Haphazard (6)
- **25** Small flat (6)
- 26 Subtracted (8)

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## **DOWN**

- 2 Strongly criticise one producing horror? (6)
- My boxes go astray (5)
- Around bottom of chain, locket is somehow bound tightly (5-4)
- Throw the Spanish one a flower (7)
- European city break (5)
- Worked out tenth root consecutively (2, 3, 4)
- Revise European language at university (6, 2)
- It's March, perhaps beginning of spring (9)
- **14** Talent for getting wild deer exhausted (9)
- **15** With exercise curtailed, finally, I greet endless line (8)
- Madman gets the publicity after heading out, initially (7)
- **18** Copse includes old track (6)
- 20 Stop sailor and other ranks with time (5)
- **22** Flap one found in picture (5)