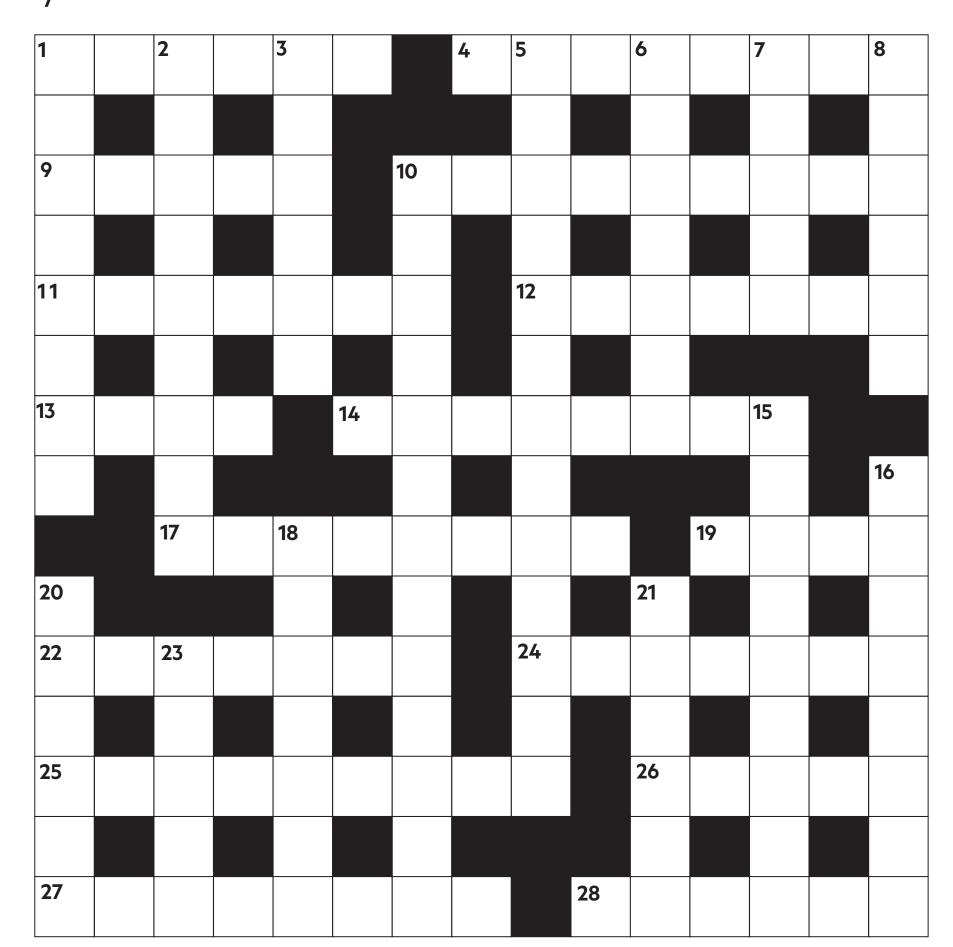
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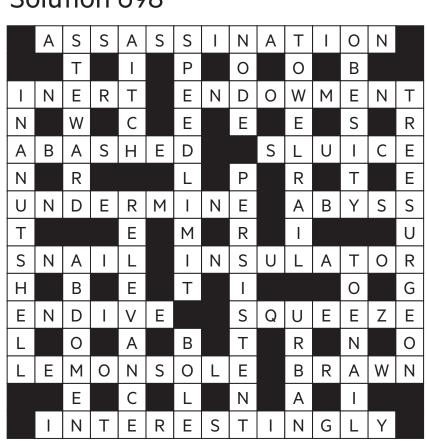


The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

## **ACROSS**

- **1** Dirty, unclean (6)
- **4** Tombstone tributes (8)
- **9** Aristocratic (5)
- **10** Musical embellishment (5, 4)
- 11 In the distant past (4, 3)
- **12** Tempestuous person (7)
- **13** 'No' votes (4)
- 14 Bald (8)
- 17 Enclosed in this (8)
- **19** Region, zone (4)
- **22** Electrical plug attachment (7)
- **24** Adult (5-2)
- **25** Self-discipline, moderation (9)
- 26 Turned to ice (5)
- **27** Hunt around for scraps (8)
- **28** Population survey (6)

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## **DOWN**

- **1** Sing about fish and drink (3, 5)
- 2 Yarn with thumb broken's a tall tale (5, 4)
- **3** Local rule we lay out after Brexit started (6)
- **5** Show little enthusiasm for drama he'd got with art that's complicated (4, 4, 2, 3)
- 6 Time to relax with the French support (7)
- **7** Check top of party dress (5)
- **8** See around rising Cheshire river's fleet (6)
- 10 Worldwide threat of armed conflict with old dynasty following ball — go mad (6, 7)
- 15 It's difficult to use urns when damaged (9)
- **16** Moisture from sap mend top of siphon, perhaps (8)
- **18** Former worker getting about Scottish island (7)
- 20 Cooking drama with a bit of specialist curry style (6)
- 21 Starts to call out for charge for refreshment (6)
- 23 Confused by a chair with the back moved almost to the front

(2, 3)