

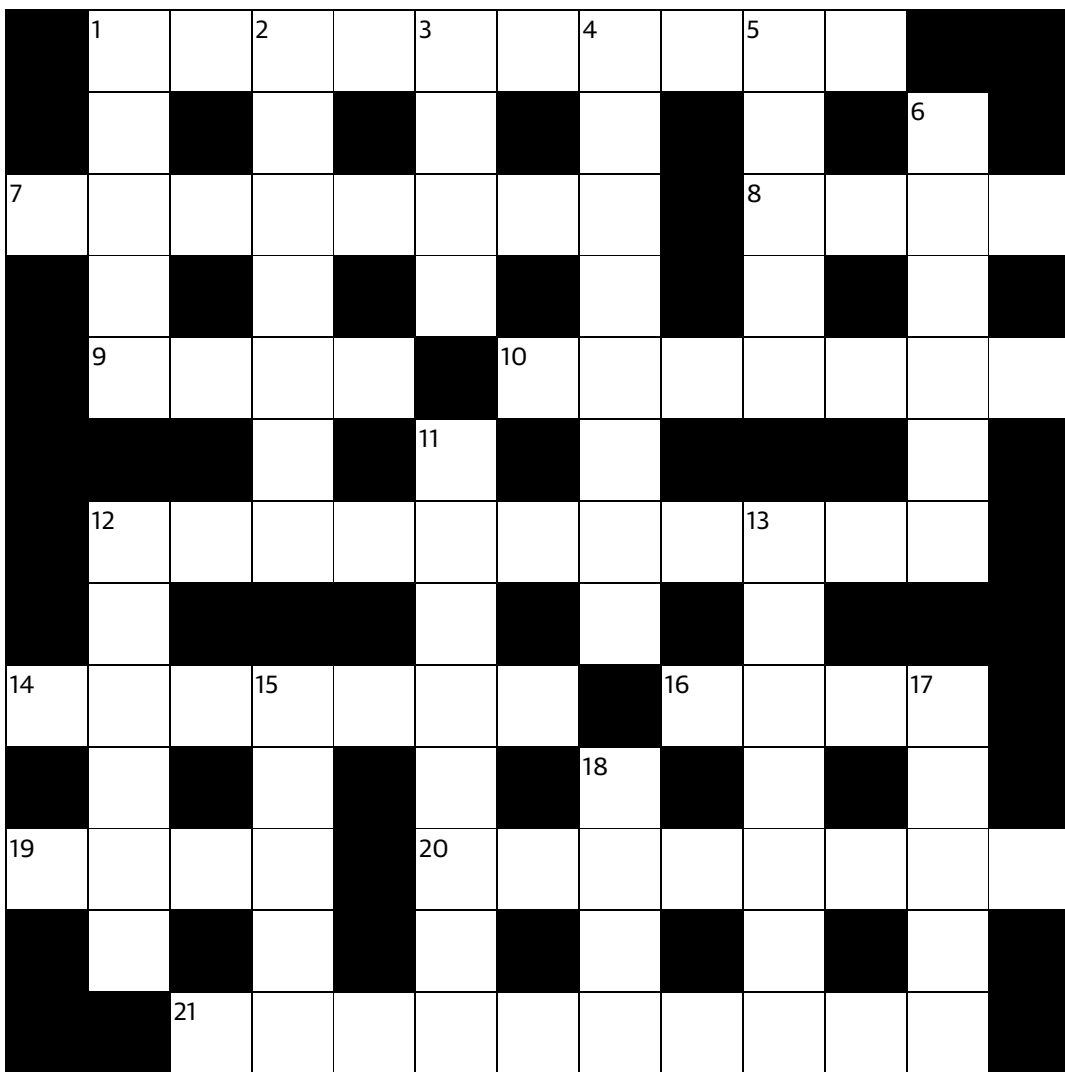
Across

- 1: Fashion (4)
 3: Fair and generous (8)
 8: Security device (4)
 9: New York's theatreland (8)
 11: Ramshackle (10)
 14: In a natural state (6)
 15: Bowman (6)
 17: Bottomless (as far as we know) (10)
 20: Flavoured wine used in cocktails (8)
 21: Mirth - song (4)
 22: Unexpected bonus (8)
 23: Game played with young children (1,3)

Down

- 1: Bellicose (8)
 2: Reduce by 10% (8)
 4: Display (6)
 5: Safe to be driven (10)
 6: US state (4)
 7: Dolls' partners (4)
 10: Characteristic of the pig or of the devil (6,4)
 12: Scene of slaughter or disorder (8)
 13: Grinding toil (8)
 16: Crayon used in art (6)
 18: Assert - admit (4)
 19: Small bird (4)

Crossword
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Across

1, 7: Tellers of Chaucer's tales (10,8)

7: See 1

8: Change (4)

9: Quick look (4)

10: Shingle (anag) (7)

12: Gin (in popular parlance) (7,4)

14: Feathers (7)

16: Edith, French singer (4)

19: Scrutinise (4)

20: Scold(ing) (8)

21: Finish (cricket) for the day (4,6)

Down

1: Hard and brittle (5)

2: Fail to notice or care for (7)

3: Make alterations (in text) (4)

4: Commercial unit or activity (8)

5: Riotous feast (5)

6: Jail (6)

11: Line of shrubs (8)

12: Ill-will (6)

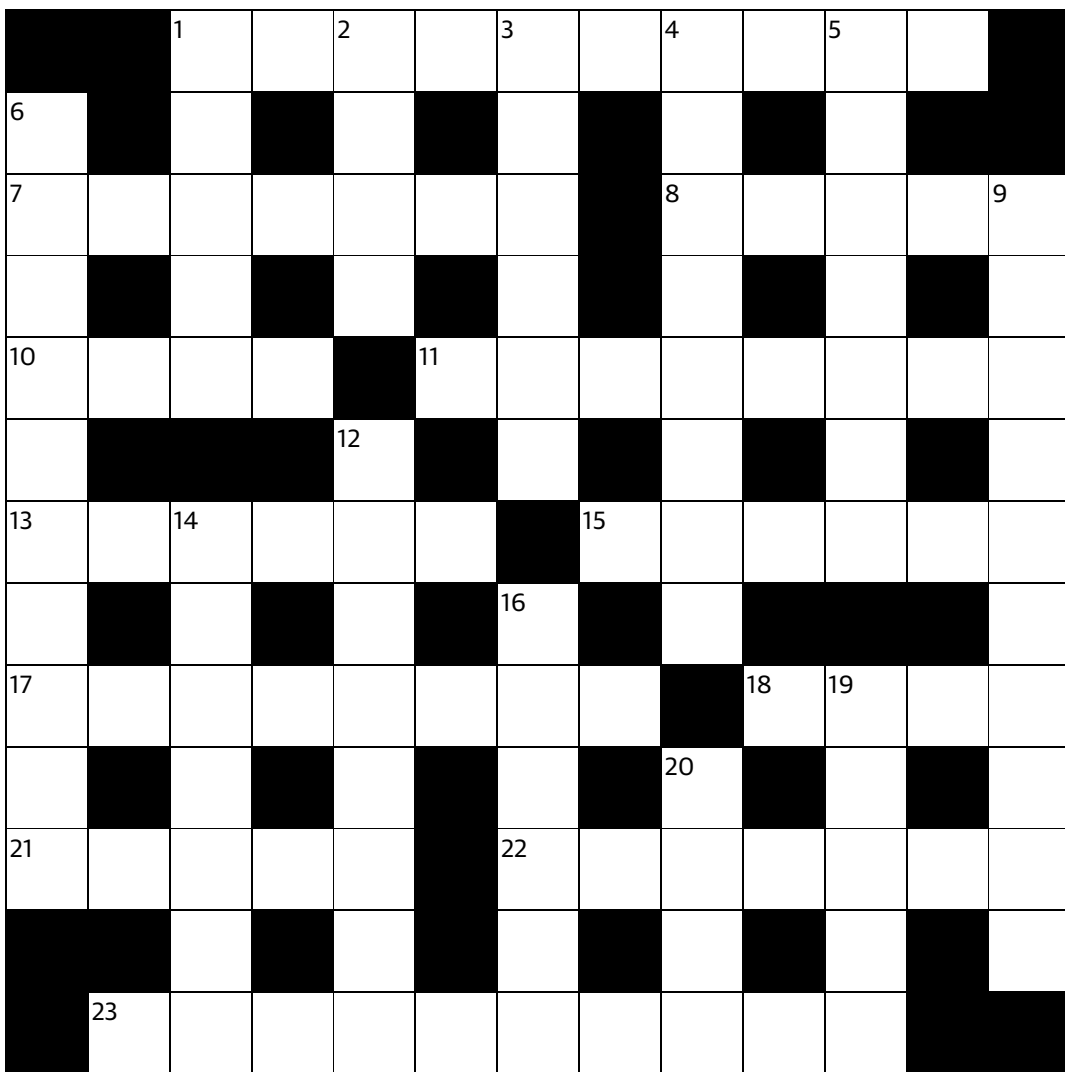
13: Official clothing (7)

15: Underground worker (5)

17: Centre of concentration (5)

18: Rod used for roasting meat (4)

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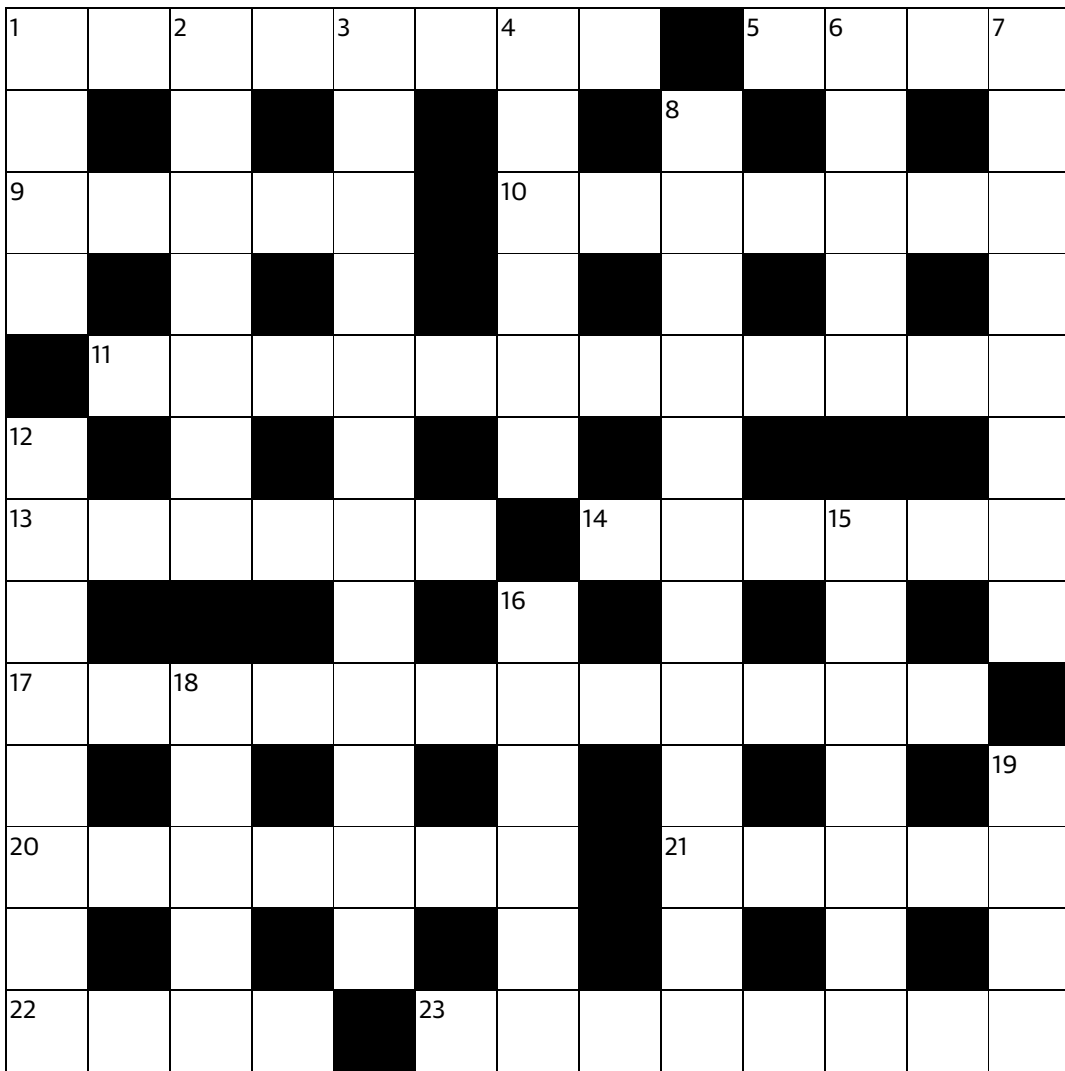
Across

- 1: Order for soldiers to move (5,5)
 7: Type of barometer (7)
 8: Highest degree (5)
 10: World's longest river (4)
 11: Hampshire village (lovely place) (8)
 13: European capital (6)
 15: Involve, as in a net (6)
 17: Place (8)
 18: One of Gemini (4)
 21: Velocity (5)
 22: Animal symbolising the British (7)
 23: Unadventurous (4-2-4)

Down

- 1: Suppress (5)
 2: Metal (4)
 3: Organ associated with steak (6)
 4: Well off (8)
 5: Smokeless explosive (7)
 6: Greatest work of an artist (6,4)
 9: Uncertain up to the last minute (5,3,2)
 12: Hardy bit (anag) (8)
 14: Nonconformity (7)
 16: Burrowing marsupial (6)
 19: Device eg to keep door open (5)
 20: Saint whose "fire" occurs around masts etc (4)

crossword
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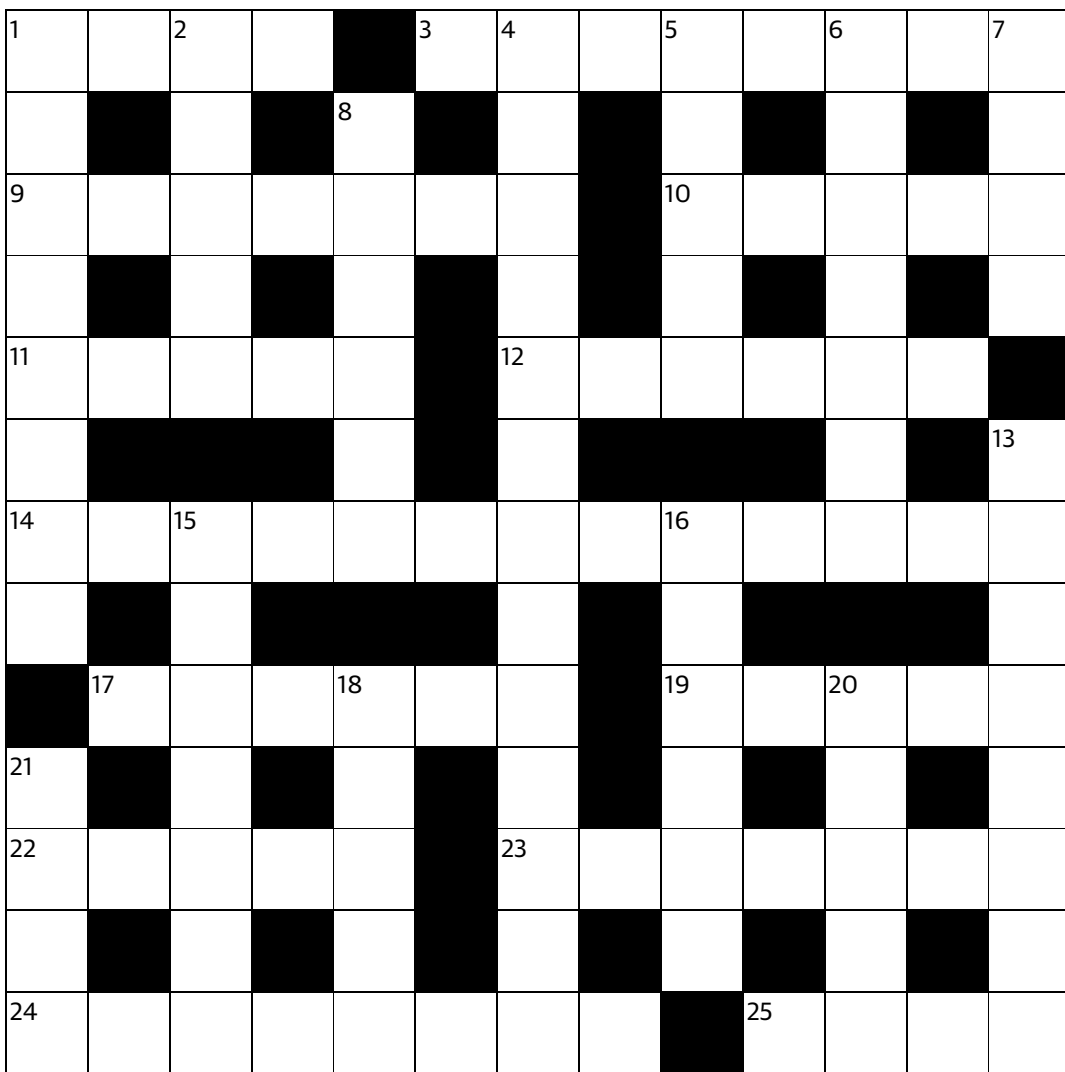


Across

- 1: System of belief or worship (8)
- 5: Leap - leave out (4)
- 9: Resulting in disaster or death (5)
- 10: Drool (7)
- 11: (Thing) that cannot be assessed (12)
- 13: Hard stuff for plating - yellow pigment (6)
- 14: (One) opposed (to the Sandinistas) (6)
- 17: Drunkenness (12)
- 20: In accordance with reason (7)
- 21: Coral island (5)
- 22: Kind (4)
- 23: Fragrant shrub (8)

Down

- 1: (At bridge) trump (4)
- 2: Martyred reformer - village on the Metropolitan Line (7)
- 3: Area of hurricanes and oil leaks (4,2,6)
- 4: Legally positioned in game (6)
- 6: Meat grilled on skewer (5)
- 7: Cheese for grating (8)
- 8: Former government ministry (5,2,5)
- 12: Greek hero (with heel and tendon) (8)
- 15: Dual (7)
- 16: Blue flower (6)
- 18: Endangered carnivore (5)
- 19: Smudge (4)



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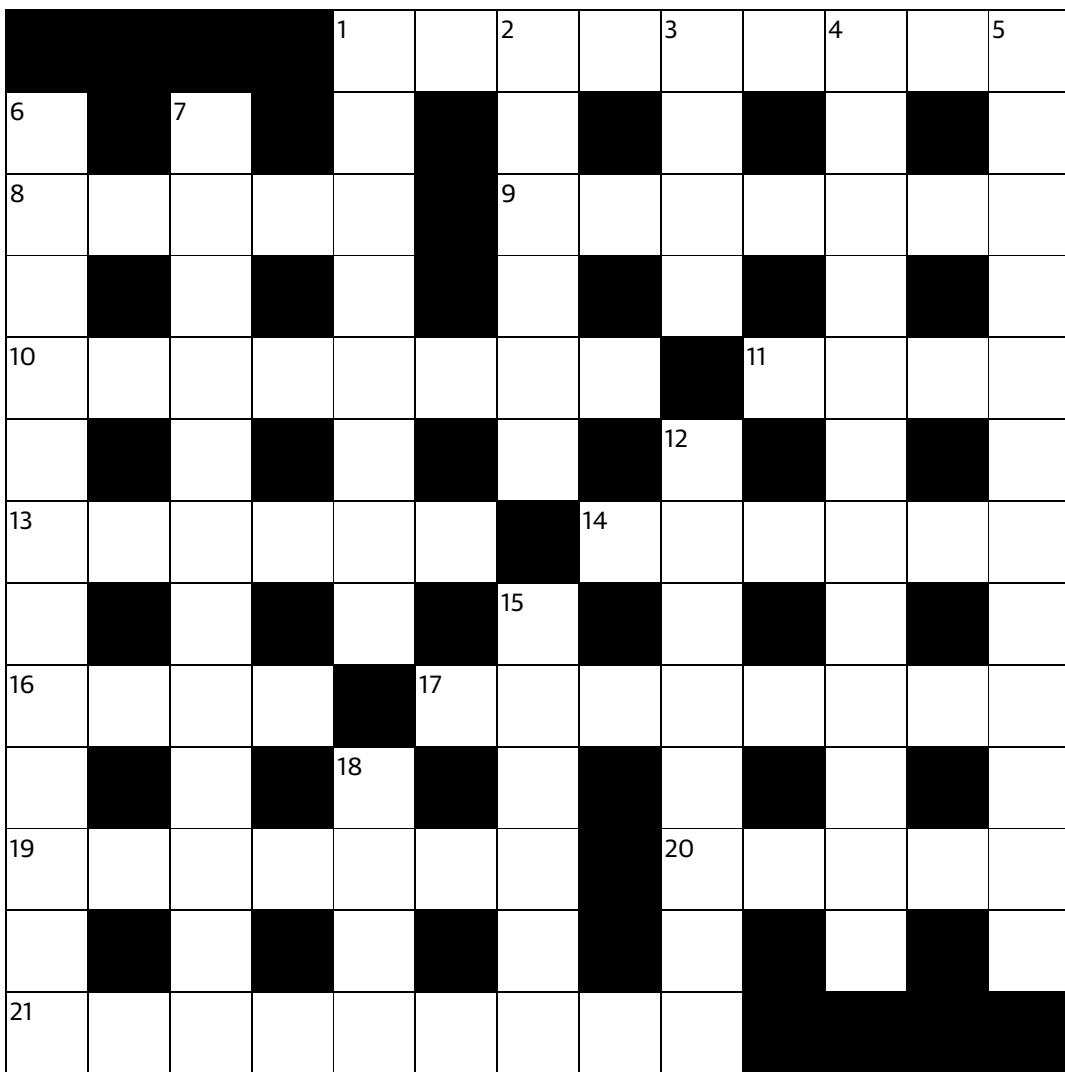
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Across

- 1: Home for bees (4)
- 3: Pre-meal drink (8)
- 9: Practical joke (3-4)
- 10: Municipal official (5)
- 11: Confused fight (5)
- 12: Prize (6)
- 14: Scene of paintings by Michelangelo (7,6)
- 17: Military policeman (6)
- 19: Large black bird (5)
- 22: Wood fitting into mortice (5)
- 23: Perceptiveness (7)
- 24: Traveller (8)
- 25: Trotsky (4)

Down

- 1: Position of flag for mourning (4-4)
- 2: Watch (5)
- 4: American award for literature, journalism, music etc (8,5)
- 5: Stupidly aggressive type (5)
- 6: Hamleys, for example (7)
- 7: Violent anger (4)
- 8: Upper-arm bones (6)
- 13: Food source for aquatic creatures (8)
- 15: The flying squad (7)
- 16: Pester (6)
- 18: Latin American dance (5)
- 20: Fashion (5)
- 21: Pack (4)



Across

1, 11: Story about rabbits (9,4)

8: Control for horses (5)

9: Plant with funnel-shaped flowers (7)

10: Diabolical (8)

11: See 1

13: Songbird (6)

14: Frau Merkel (6)

16: Bring up (4)

17: Elegant (8)

19: Old Basque kingdom (7)

20: Buffalo Bill's prey (5)

21: Cause of limescale (4,5)

Down

1: Summary of desirable items or actions (4,4)

2: Keyboard operator (6)

3: (Words used in) ceremonial (4)

4: (Gain) rapidly (4,4,4)

5: No problem (for yachtsman?) (5,7)

6: Financial crisis (6,6)

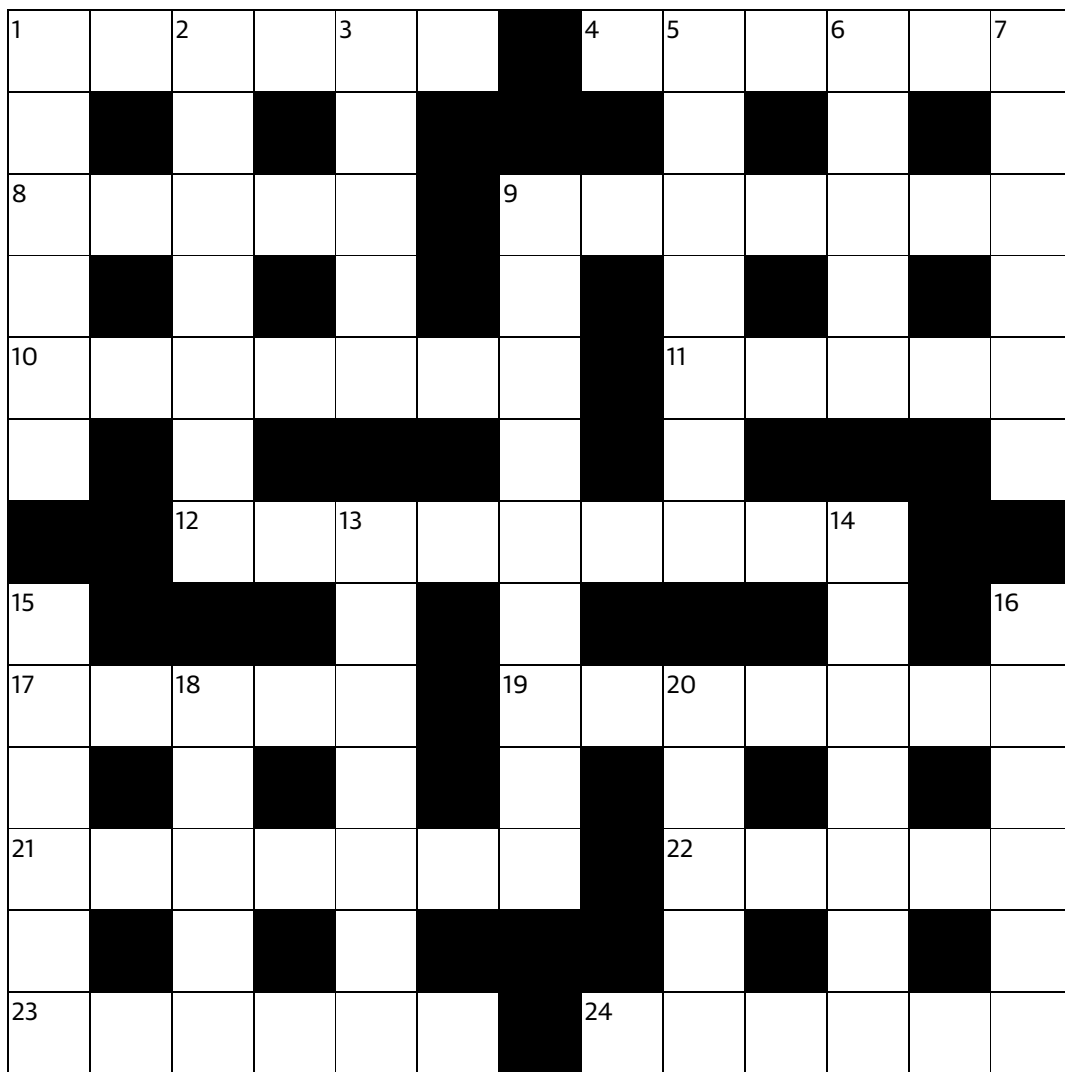
7: Traditional receptacle for visiting cards (6,6)

12: Place to obtain light refreshments (5,3)

15: Apprehend (6)

18: Forehead - hilltop (4)

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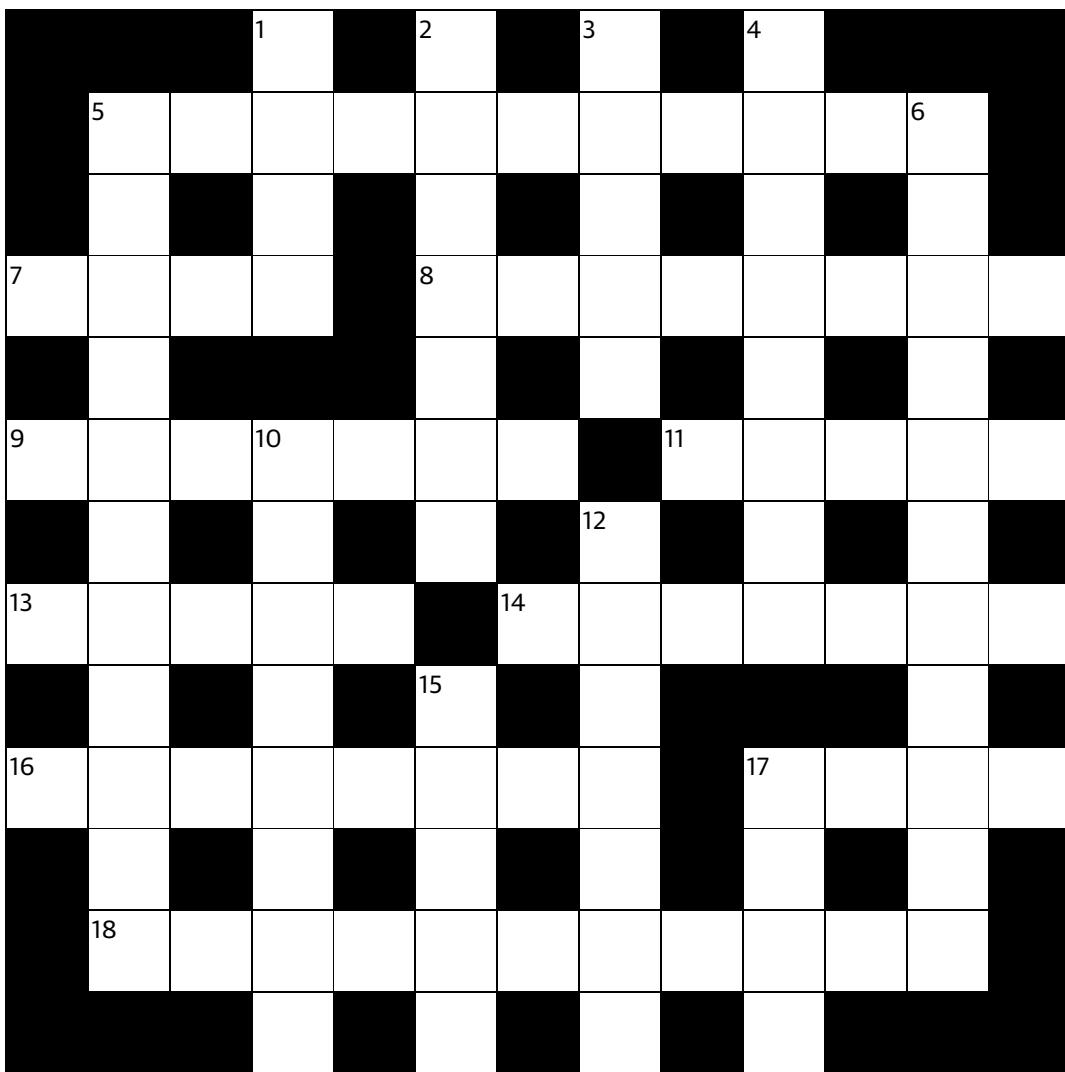
Across

- 1: Rebel (4,2)
 4: State of being stunned (6)
 8, 9, 22: Waterbird (5,7,5)
 9: See 8
 10: Food for drinks party (7)
 11: Titled man (5)
 12: Vanish (9)
 17: Ayers Rock (5)
 19: Stamp (with sense of identity) (7)
 21: Die (having put the candle out?) (5,2)
 22: See 8
 23: Get involved (6)
 24: Slim women (6)

Down

- 1: (Reigning) queen (6)
 2: Where plants are germinated (7)
 3: Up to that moment (5)
 5: Quiver (7)
 6: Boy's name - safe (5)
 7: Horsemanship - once a third part of Yorkshire (6)
 9: Hole in the wall (9)
 13: Expressing (supposedly) deep feeling (7)
 14: Lift (5,2)
 15: End of day (6)
 16: Tension (6)
 18: Volte-face (1-4)
 20: Of very small stature (5)

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 12653



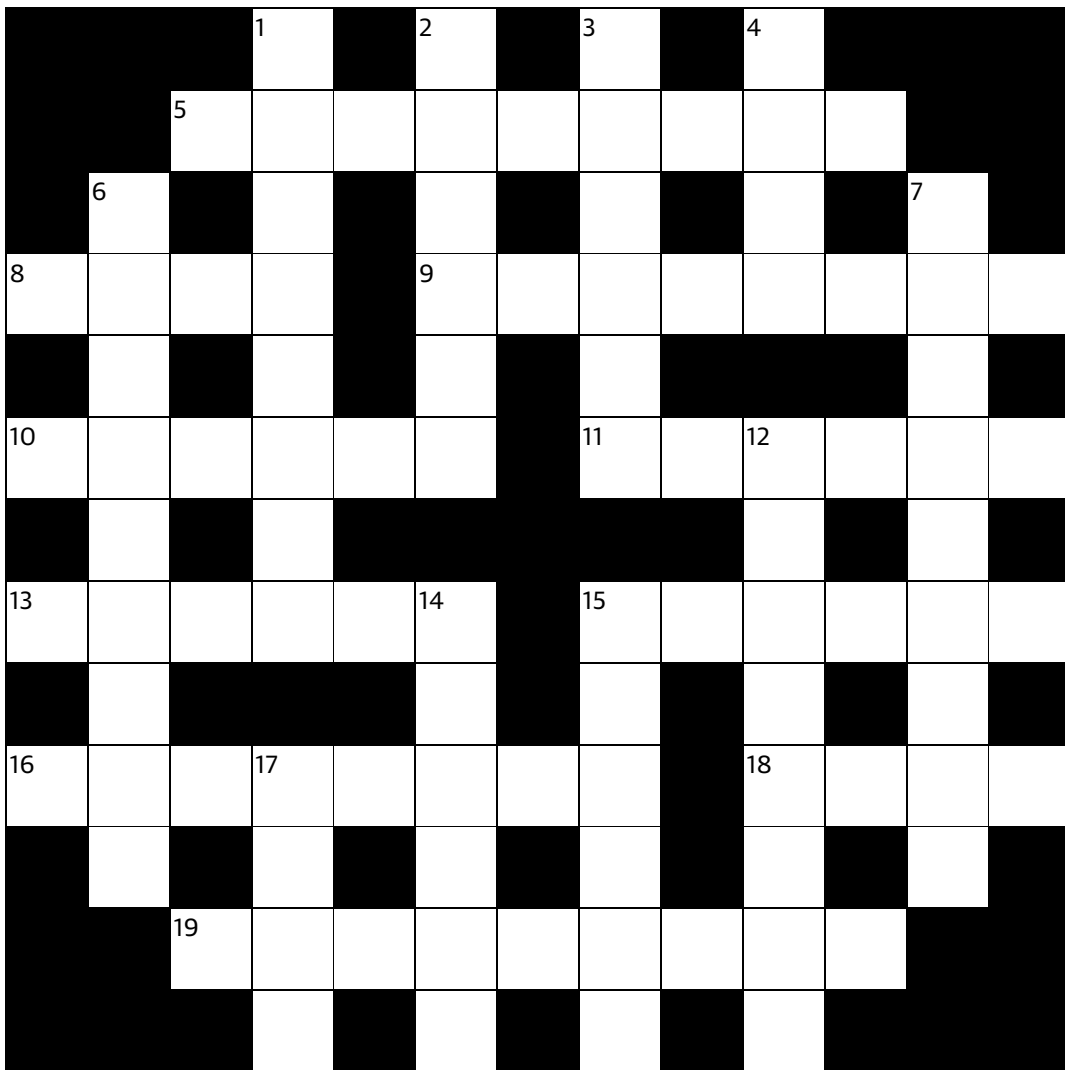
Across

- 5: Mississippi in song (3,3,5)
 7: Attractive (4)
 8: Unable to pay debts (8)
 9: Significant journey (by Homer?) (7)
 11: Find mutual under standing - operate mouse (5)
 13: 50-50 (5)
 14: Where models are found (7)
 16: Caused by or benefiting from flooding (8)
 17: Lip of vessel (4)
 18: Singer of 5 across (4,7)

Down

- 1: Irritable (4)
 2: Glass balls to play with (7)
 3: Facade (5)
 4: Pipe etc for excess water (8)
 5: Bring on too far or too fast (11)
 6: Plain carols (anag) - rogue (11)
 10: Pleasant to feel (8)
 12: Australian marsupial (7)
 15: Basis of yarn (5)
 17: 8 across (4)

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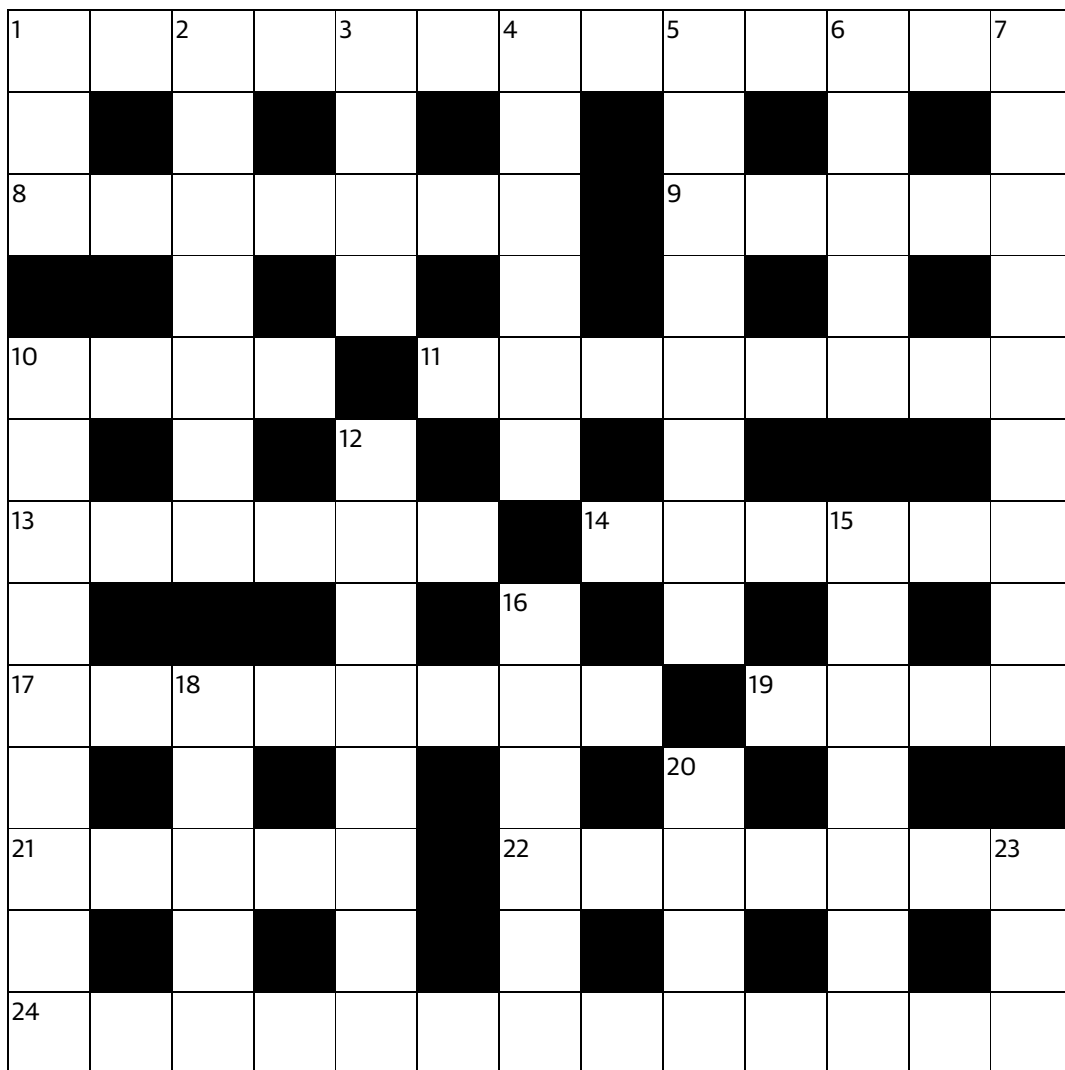
Across

- 5: Original plan (9)
 8: Small liquid blob (4)
 9: Software protection for computer (8)
 10: Affected by partiality - dishonest (6)
 11: Formal headdress (3,3)
 13: Reviewer (6)
 15: Non-stick material (6)
 16: Horticulturist (8)
 18: See 17
 19: Bell flower (9)

Down

- 1: Irreverent (8)
 2: Young cow (6)
 3: Mountain where the Ark grounded (6)
 4: Chew (at) (4)
 6: Arterial thoroughfare (5,4)
 7: Simultaneously - immediately (3,2,4)
 12: Large fungus (8)
 14: Savoury snack (6)
 15: Available for leasing (2,4)
 17, 18: Snag (8)

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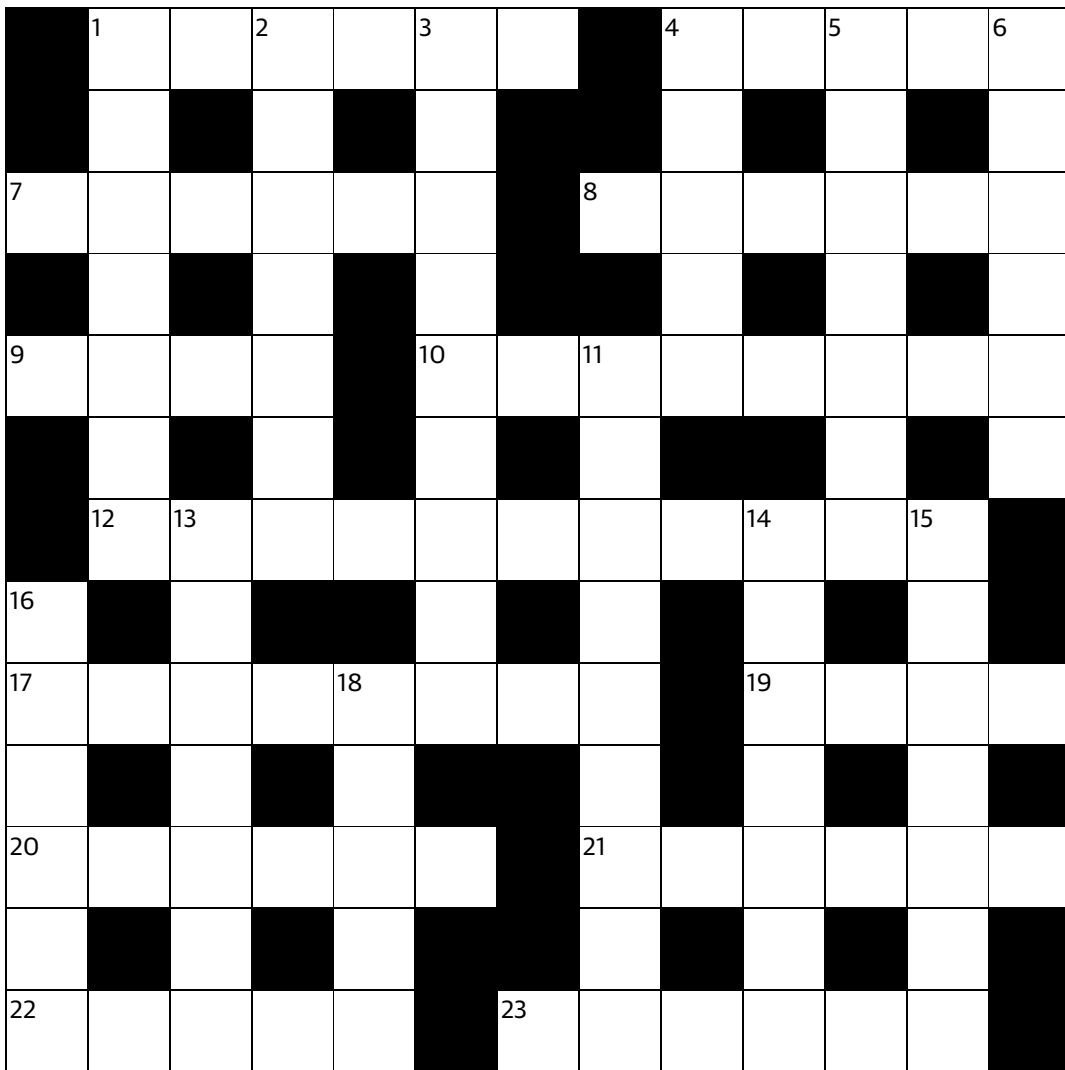
Across

- 1: Play along - don't resist (2,4,3,4)
 8: Pioneer immunologist (7)
 9: Brazilian dance (5)
 10: Quarry (4)
 11: 1485 English battlefield (8)
 13: Untrue story (6)
 14: Straw hat (6)
 17: Theological college (8)
 19: Gentle - bland (4)
 21: Below (as prefix) (5)
 22: Woodworking tool (7)
 24: Means of household cleaning (7,6)

Down

- 1: Space (3)
 2: Type of film or music (7)
 3: Row (4)
 4: Extreme fear (6)
 5: Clint - home of Lawrence (8)
 6: Nocturnal primate from Madagascar (5)
 7: Strengthened by being exposed to the elements (9)
 10: Dickensian hypocrite (9)
 12: Food for horses (4-4)
 15: Matching garments (7)
 16: Like better (6)
 18: Criminal organisation (5)
 20: Bill of fare (4)
 23: Hostilities (3)

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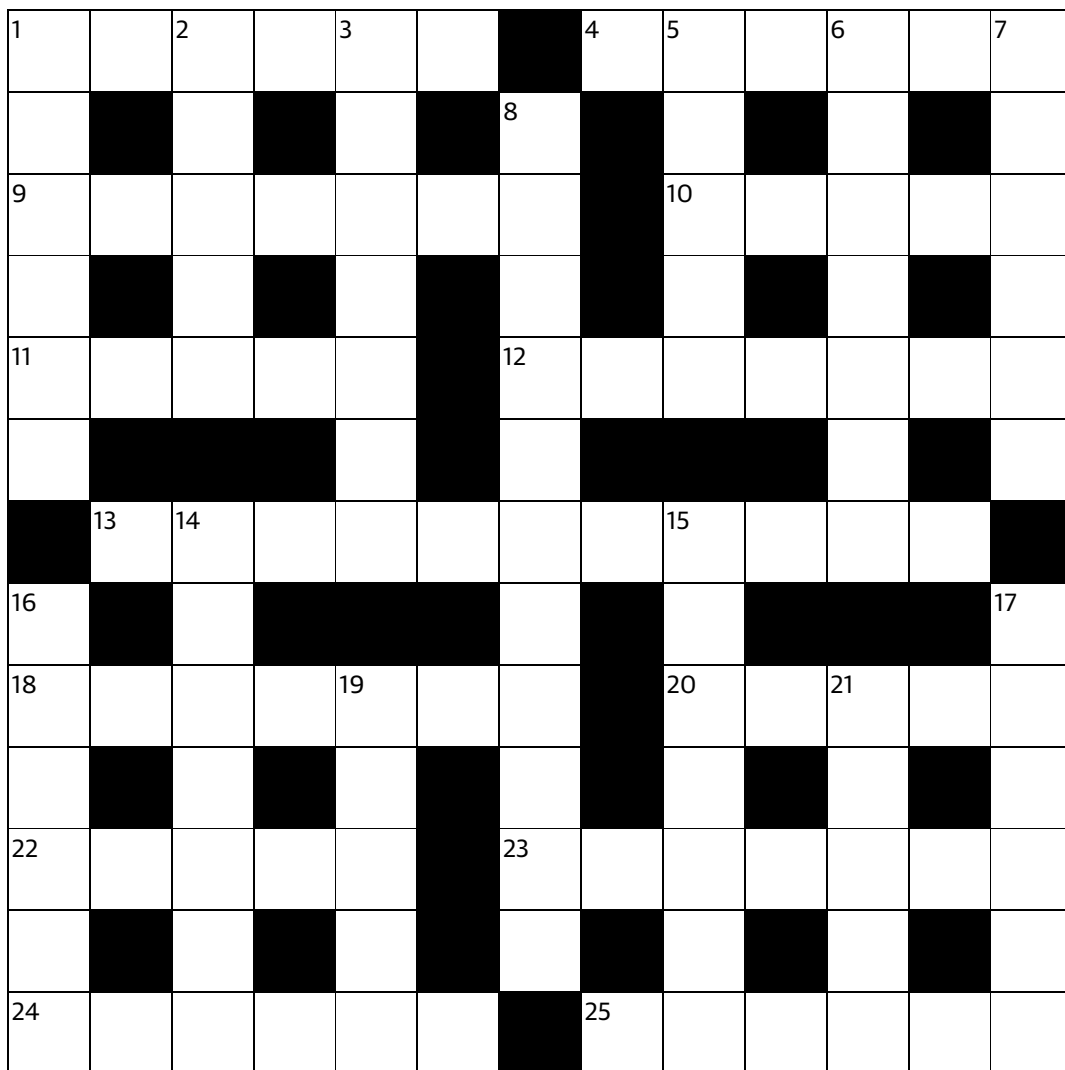
Across

- 1: Protective ring (6)
 4: Adhere (5)
 7: Whine (with a runny nose?) (6)
 8: Scribe (6)
 9, 12: Tell that to the marines (4,3,5,3)
 10: Can't tire (anag) (8)
 12: See 9
 17: Of good stock (4-4)
 19: Extensive journey (4)
 20: Talk (like a brook?) (6)
 21: Pierce with a stick (as Vlad did?) (6)
 22: Name - legal right (5)
 23: Making an awkward sound (6)

Down

- 1: Guide - behaviour (7)
 2: Go round (7)
 3: Cleaner of lubricant (3,6)
 4: Sloping mass of loose rock (5)
 5: Being dealt with (2,5)
 6: Unarmed combat (6)
 11: Dreary repetitive work (9)
 13: Flatfish (7)
 14: Unyoke oxen (from a cart) (7)
 15: By the same token (7)
 16: Inferior - cheap (3-3)
 18: Swell(ing) (5)

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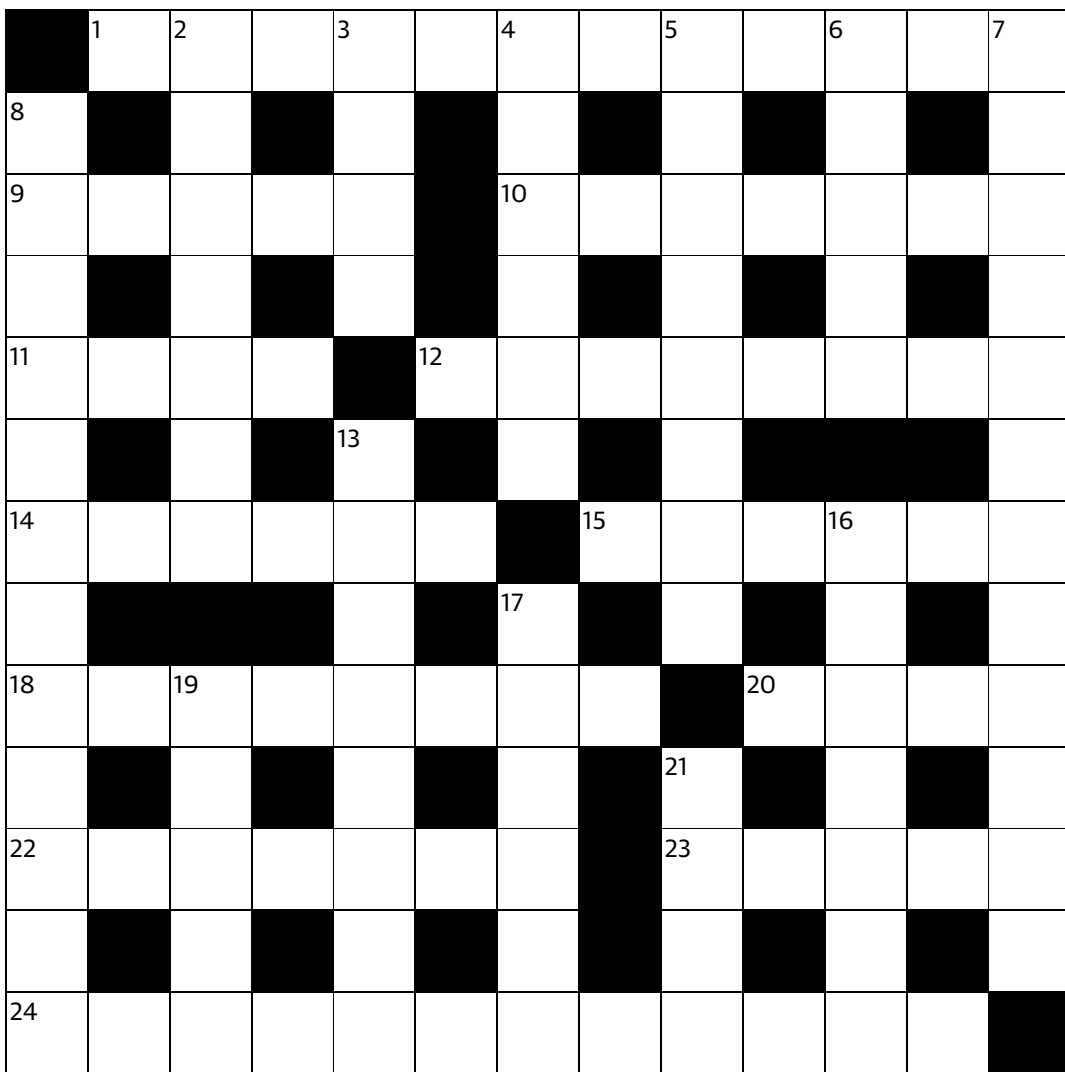
Across

- 1: Bird of prey (6)
 4: Biker's headgear (6)
 9: Tropical disease (7)
 10: English poet and artist, d. 1827 (5)
 11: Sepal (anag) (5)
 12: Court action (7)
 13: Ball bowled that shoots along the ground (5,6)
 18: Freeman of the city (7)
 20: Dismay (5)
 22: Decree (5)
 23: Steep - hard (7)
 24: Shiver down the spine? (6)
 25: Heavy load - preponderance (6)

Down

- 1: Crease (6)
 2: Small tumour (5)
 3: Without the means to row (7)
 5: Nudge (5)
 6: Show something's dimensions (7)
 7: Score (6)
 8: Side dish often served with pizza (6,5)
 14: Put on trial (7)
 15: Senseless talk (7)
 16: Thing (6)
 17: Small private room (6)
 19: Accommodation for travellers (5)
 21: Fork part (5)

Crossword
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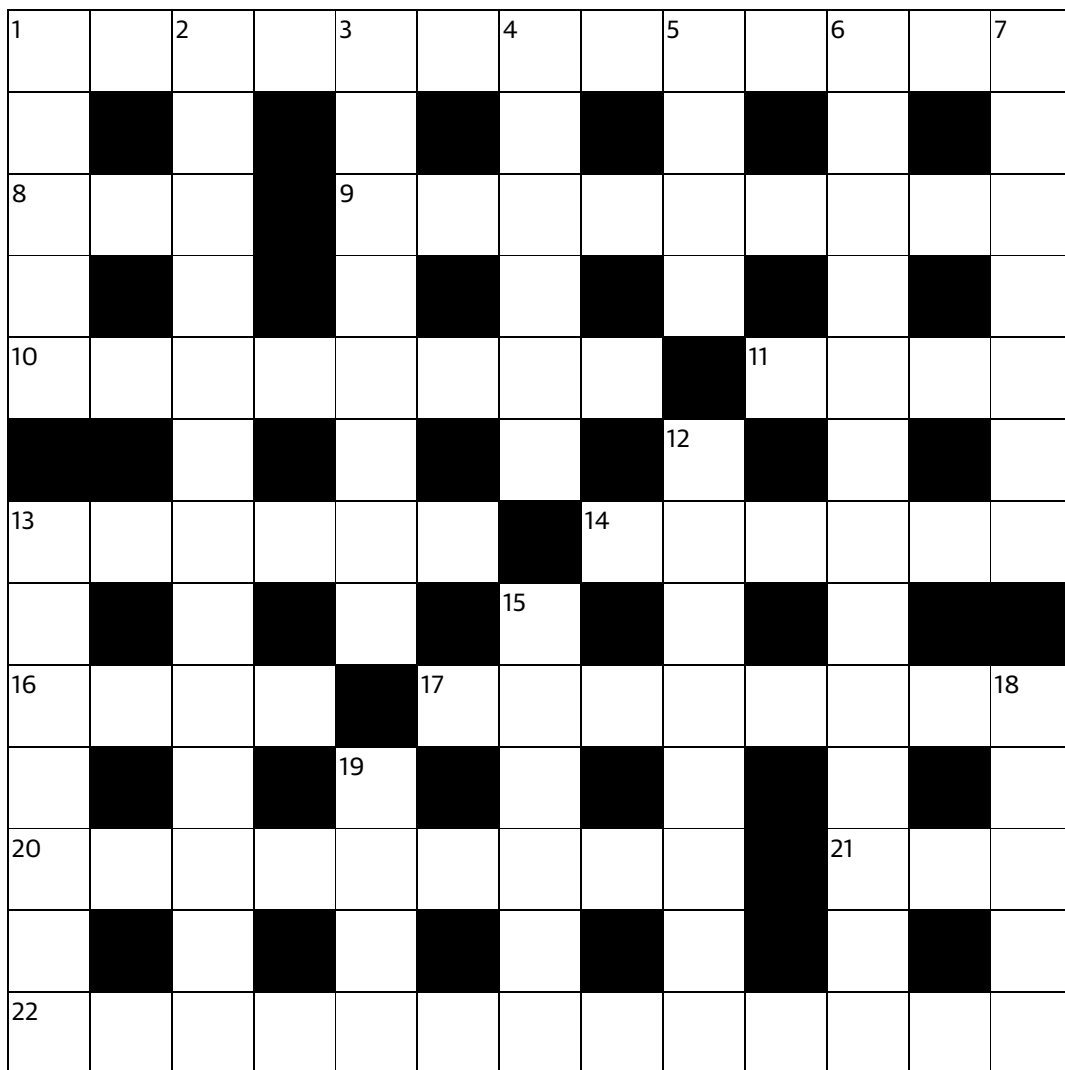
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Across

- 1: Whiter than white (like a mouse?) (7-5)
 9: Pack animal (5)
 10: East London football team (4,3)
 11: Instrument - rhino's appendage (4)
 12: Bewildered (8)
 14: Spanish city of the Guggenheim Museum (6)
 15: South American cloak (6)
 18: Light American weapon of WWII (5,3)
 20: Affected - group of tents (4)
 22: Actually in progress (7)
 23: Great Lake (5)
 24: Soaked and boiled dish served with ham or pork (5,7)

Down

- 2: Tiff (7)
 3: Dash (4)
 4: Be servile (towards) (6)
 5: Ins and outs of money (4,4)
 6: Distinctive character (5)
 7: Practice of referring to famous people in order to impress (4-8)
 8: A-Z served with a ladle? (8,4)
 13: Refined and fastidious (8)
 16: Feeling of annoyance (7)
 17: Martial art (4,2)
 19: Hot molten rock (5)
 21: North central African country, capital N'Djamena (4)



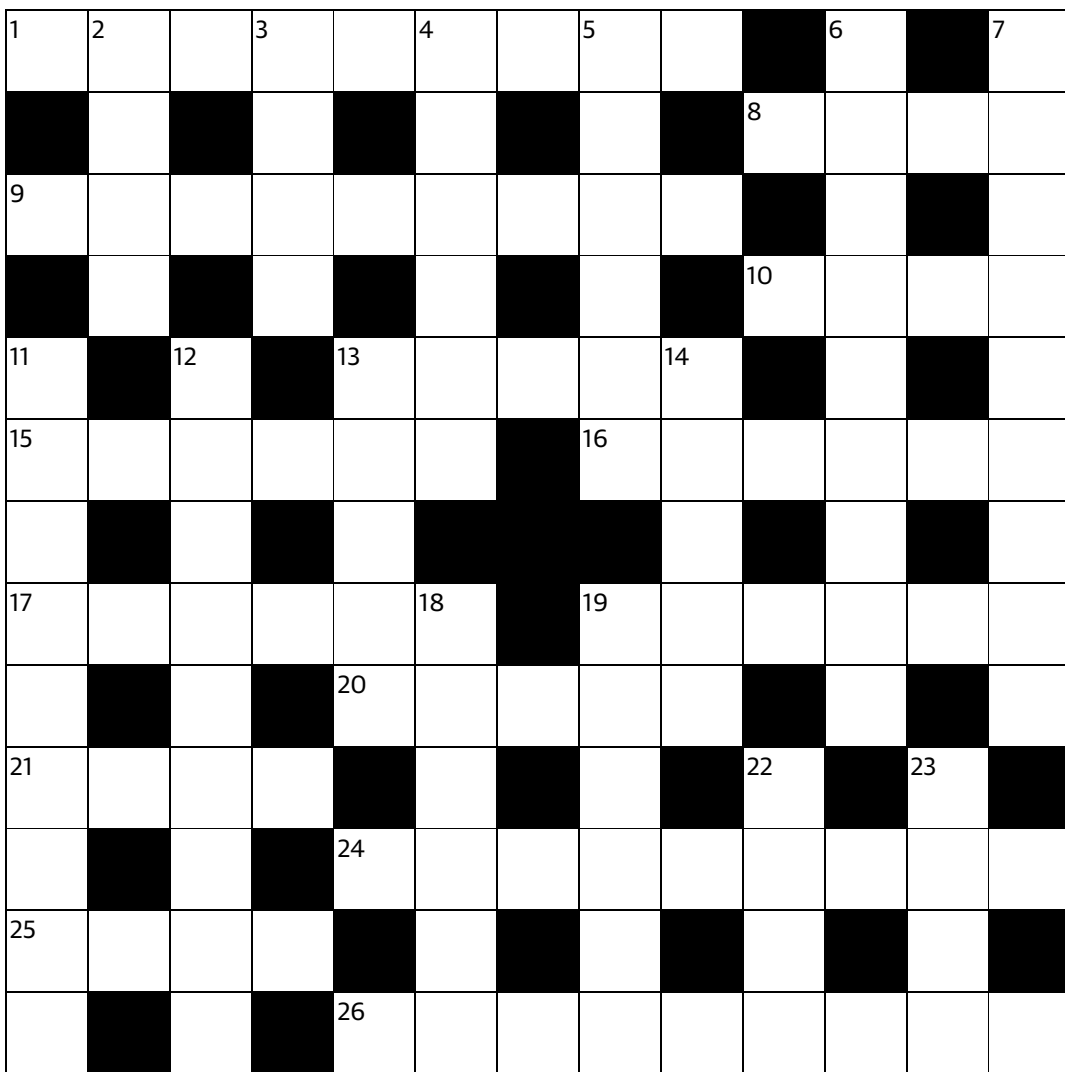
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- 1: "Titanic", perhaps (8,5)
 8: Pasture (3)
 9: Organic compound in proteins (5,4)
 10: Scholarly (8)
 11: Swine (4)
 13: Bird in a cage (6)
 14: Palermo's island (6)
 16: Speaker's raised platform (4)
 17: US state with a Derby (8)
 20: Ignorant (9)
 21: Killer whale (3)
 22: Of course (8,2,3)

Down

- 1: Fourth Greek letter (5)
 2: Sex (4,3,6)
 3: Bone in barbecue sauce, say (5,3)
 4: Life-giving potion (6)
 5: Heathland (4)
 6: Highest British military decoration for gallantry (8,5)
 7: Very senior? (7)
 12: Impenetrable (8)
 13: Nomad of Jordan, for example (7)
 15: Negligent (6)
 18: Disgusting! (5)
 19: Poultry (4)

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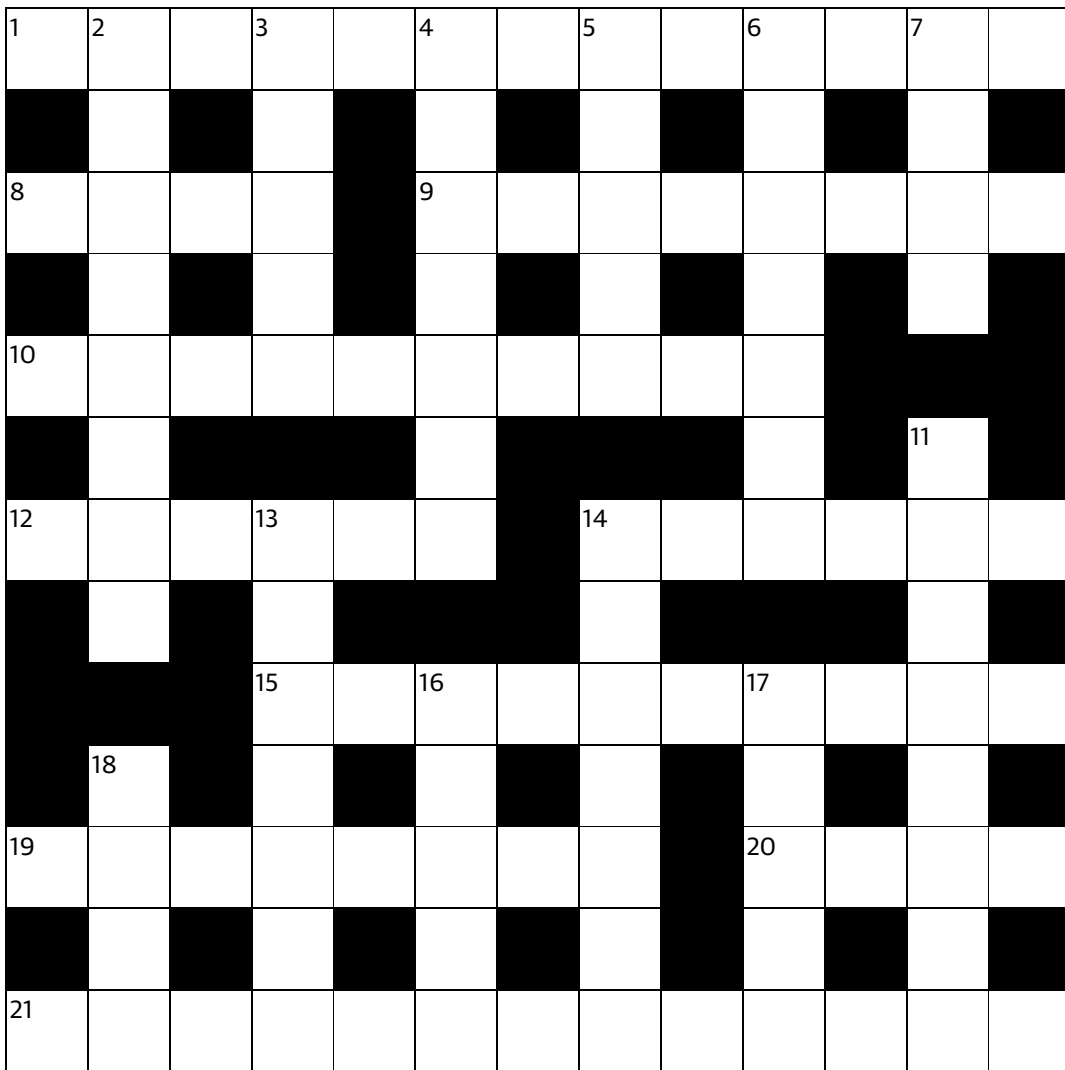
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Across

- 1: Personification of the man on the street (3,6)
- 8: Saintly ring (4)
- 9: Close friend (9)
- 10: Computer storage unit (4)
- 13: Dutiful (5)
- 15: Quickness of perception (6)
- 16: Wife or husband (6)
- 17: Adhesive - muggy (6)
- 19: Warhol's style (3,3)
- 20: Long (5)
- 21: Handle roughly (4)
- 24: Thick yellow fog of old (9)
- 25: Tidy - cool! (4)
- 26: Captor of a human being, for ransom (9)

Down

- 2: Wind instrument (4)
- 3: Dull brownish-yellow - expert (4)
- 4: Admit to holy orders (6)
- 5: Great mind (6)
- 6: Revolving tray (4,5)
- 7: Short story (9)
- 11: Niggardliness (9)
- 12: Using a cable (9)
- 13: Annoying - troublesome (5)
- 14: Indulge in sentimental courtship - eating utensil (5)
- 18: From a country in the Arabian peninsula, capital Sana'a (6)
- 19: No rips (anag) (6)
- 22: Belch (4)
- 23: At this point (4)



Across

- 1: Unkind prank (9,4)
- 8: Have a nap (4)
- 9: Dancing along (8)
- 10: Shocking missive! (6,4)
- 12: Old gramophone needle (6)
- 14: Behave kindly (2,4)
- 15: Strong alcohol (4,6)
- 19: Harassing (8)
- 20: Pretentious (4)
- 21: Desire to be maritally unfaithful (5-4,4)

Down

- 2: Small bed space to let - or to meet (anag) (8)
- 3: Split in the palate (5)
- 4: Communicates (7)
- 5: Site of a Texas siege, 1836 (5)
- 6: French revolutionary (7)
- 7: Home county (4)
- 11: Poem where first letters of lines spell a word (8)
- 13: Channel port (2,5)
- 14: North Italian university city (7)
- 16: With water falling outside (5)
- 17: As if (prefix) (5)
- 18: Clarified butter (4)

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