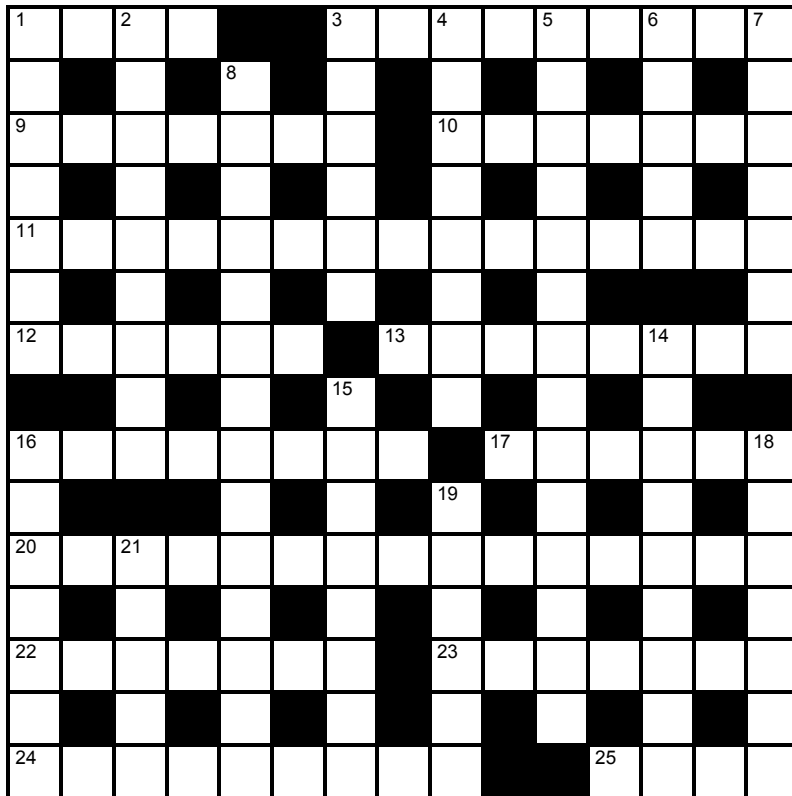


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Across

- 1 Singer has miserable end to tune (4)
- 3 Can rule recalculation of leap second, when losing scientist at first (5,4)
- 9 Remove old joke, anticipating grand finale of Fringe (7)
- 10 Small birds heard seals (7)
- 11 I am in it, and you are too! (3,7,5)
- 12 25 where sister partly hides (6)
- 13 Polite denial rebuffed after Italian politician's intern (8)
- 16 Cuff for one soldier trailing material (8)

- 17 Man takes drug - nothing tacky! (6)
- 20 It may prove that blood is thicker than water. (8,7)
- 22 Coldplay start group of sell-out performances with a line? (7)
- 23 Suitable drinks for Madame Arcati...? (7)
- 24 ...or else prove unfortunate reason for tiredness (9)
- 25 Cock a snook at rapper's brilliant close of play (4)

Down

- 1 Cooked up real stew, but not a fantastic cook (7)
- 2 Input nothing into the German

- situation, which could bring one down (9)
- 3 Like regularly polled answer? (6)
- 4 Practise identity theft, and it's the clink for one? (8)
- 5 He is risen. Why? (7-4-3)
- 6 Indian maybe wrecked canoe (5)
- 7 Genius traded in for small change to band manager (7)
- 8 So, Conti's Pinter play has lots of navel-gazing moments? (14)
- 14 Steady! Strangely sibilates! (9)

- 15 Absolutely everything's contained in college song? (8)
- 16 Snapping crocodiles led astray clumsily, and wind up in North Africa (7)
- 18 After having too much, Yankees have exact direction on tour (7)
- 19 Makes sense for a theologian to drink (4,2)
- 21 Is Armstrong *really* clean? (5)