

**ACROSS**

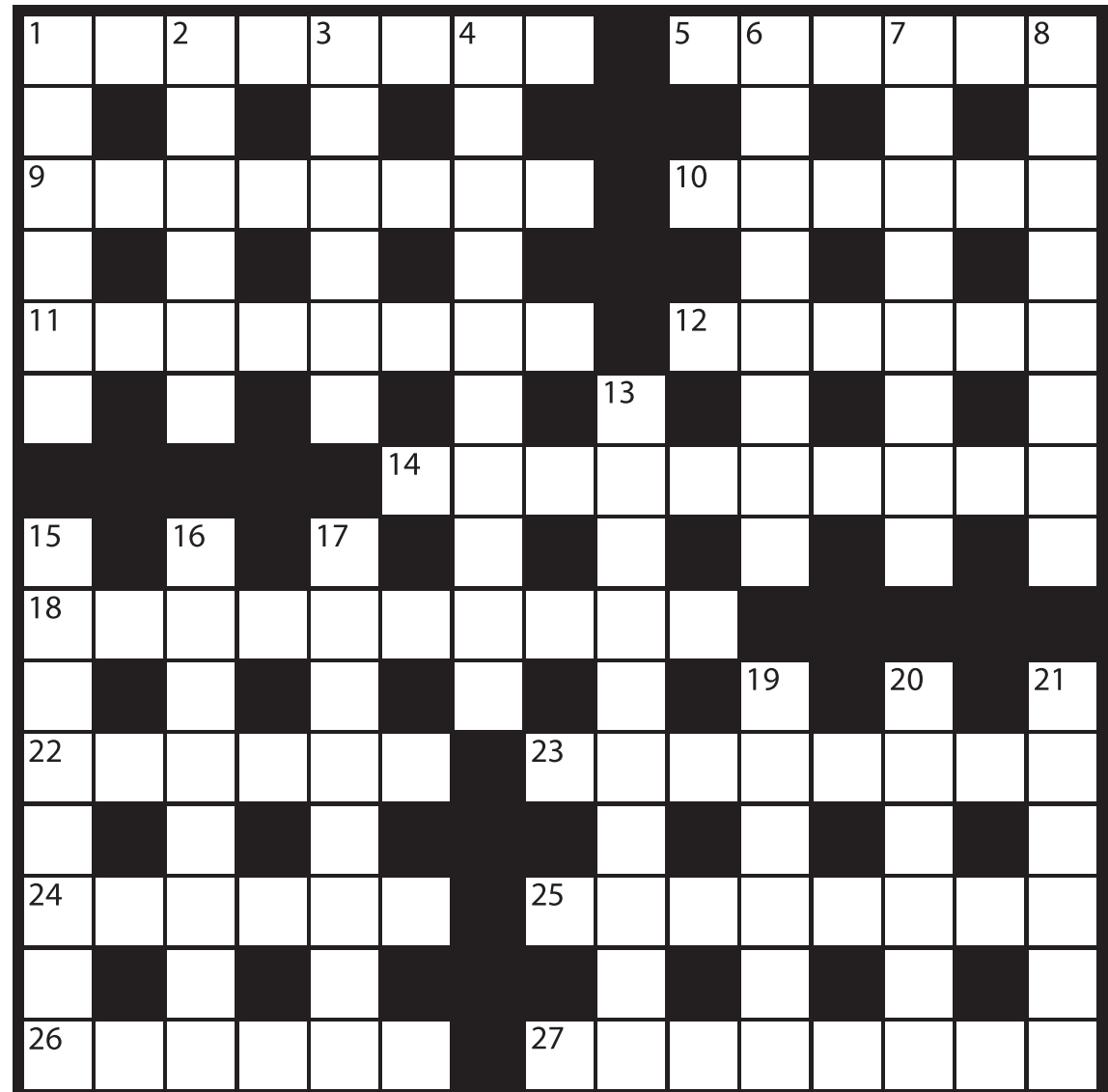
- 1 First seasonal presents in the sack - time for an iconic craft! (8)
- 5 Christmas season success with steep return (6)
- 9 Keep sections with butter bits? (8)
- 10 Scotsman in charge of a girl (6)
- 11 Heavyweight turns into a type of marking (8)
- 12 Soldier joins workers - very big ones (6)
- 14 Applaud Jagger and Co for elementary precipitation (10)
- 18 A choice of courses or delicacies (10)
- 22 Means business (6)
- 23 He makes a living from dirty pictures (8)
- 24 You can't hit out in this sport (6)
- 25 The most important guy on board (8)
- 26 Odd thing makes one tarry (6)
- 27 A picture, in the main (8)

**DOWN**

- 1 Powerful limb removed from original Moonwalker (6)
- 2 Resident's at home with his wife (6)
- 3 Banquets in the Orient absorbed by furious extremists (6)
- 4 Logical plans make one limit alcohol drinks (10)
- 6 Club sits out with Proust and Nabokov, for example (8)
- 7 Slimming at night resort, accommodating pub (8)
- 8 Think again about beasts at Spithead (8)
- 13 However, nothing's different (3,3,4)
- 15 It makes pears lie against the wall, for instance (8)

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- 16 Back one aiming to retain title (8)
- 17 Continue to be stubborn, so cane is produced (5,3)
- 19 Bears runs (6)
- 20 Anger spread about the first place in Scotland (6)
- 21 It's built as an ocean container (6)