

ACROSS

- 1 Expeditions, searches (6)
- 4 Set on fire (6)
- 8 ___ Peron, Madonna screen role (3)
- 9 Depiction (9)
- 11 Cashews eg (4)
- 12 Strategy used during an event (4,4)
- 15 Blotting out (9)
- 18 Important (route) (8)
- 19 Design on metal (4)
- 21 Writers of words for songs (9)
- 23 Word paired with 'neither' (3)
- 24 Disarrange (hair) (6)
- 25 Seat on a horse (6)

DOWN

- 1 Female monarchs (6)
- 2 Bringing into force (9)
- 3 Lids (4)
- 5 Fragrant white or cream flower (8)
- 6 Climbing evergreen plant (3)
- 7 English film studio renowned for its comedies (6)
- 10 Comes back into sight (9)
- 13 Made less heavy (9)
- 14 To do with office work (8)
- 16 Samuel ___ Coleridge, poet (6)
- 17 Cavalry attack (6)
- 20 Taiwan's continent (4)
- 22 Service whose motto is 'per ardua ad astra' (inits) (3)

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