

## ACROSS

- 3 \_\_\_ Paulo, Brazilian city (3)  
7 Piece of crockery (6)  
8 Provide funds in advance (6)  
9 Highly spiced curry (8)  
10 Large American wild cat (4)  
11 Worldly goods (6)  
12 Surplus amount (6)  
15 Paul \_\_\_\_, 'Have I Got News for You' panellist (6)  
18 Enthusiastic (6)  
20 Take orders from (4)  
22 Mixed drink (8)  
23 Mature people (6)  
24 Filled with joy (6)  
25 Small bit (3)

## DOWN

- 1 Exceptional talent (6)  
2 Crucial yardstick (4,4)  
3 Flows over the edge of a container (6)  
4 Object to (6)  
5 Little \_\_\_\_, Dickens heroine (4)  
6 Carefree excursions (6)  
11 Bank's 'hole in the wall' (inits) (3)  
13 Balderdash (8)  
14 Wily (3)  
16 Fixes firmly (into) (6)  
17 Most delightful (6)  
18 Slashed, chopped (6)  
19 Interwoven (6)  
21 Part of an egg (4)

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