ACROSS
1 Difficulty (7)
5 Feeling honoured (5)
8 Loss of self-possession (5)
9 Female ruler of a group of countries (7)
10 Close to the beach (7)
11 Having a great deal of foliage (5)
12 Feeling of conflict (6)
14 Style of sloping writing (6)
18 Large country house (5)
20 Attendant to royalty (7)
22 Whirlpool hot tub (7)
23 Woolly black-and-white bear-like animal (5)
24 Chopper blade (5)
25 Matter of chance (7)

DOWN
1 Lean cut of beef (7)
2 Pig sounds (5)
3 Evade an obligation (4,3)
4 Football team number (6)
5 Schoolchild (5)
6 As a whole (7)
7 Covered in fine powder (5)
13 Domestic pet without a tail (4,3)
15 Small high-register brass instrument (7)
16 Derisive term for one who weeps childishly (3-4)
17 Replenish (6)
18 John ___, 1990-97 PM (5)
19 Man’s shaver (5)
21 Striking distance (5)