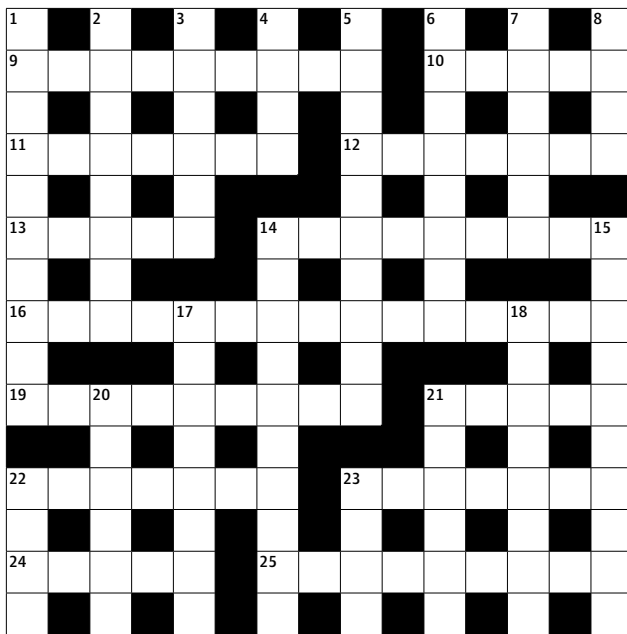


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 9** Henry loathed fashion, including college scarf (9)
10 Available money? (5)
11 Dacre's rag admits liberal sources (7)
12 English, Two-Knights and Spanish cry about Black's honour (7)
13 They succeed in their schemes (5)
14 Leader Cook steals single with gratitude when batting (9)
16 Manager of Palace? (4,11)
19 Not a 23 across, first acting officer (9)
21 Long distance traveller to arrive on time (5)
22 Heroic worker from Rhondda, say? (7)
23 Fabulous creature revealed by smell or sound (7)
24 Special ice cream or cake (5)
25 Freshening up cleans American rapper of scandal (9)

Down

- 1** One might crave church love that's universal but timeless (10)
2 Royalist without care (8)
3 Short Book of Goon? (6)
4 Governor of German city changed direction twice? (4)

- 5** When to take train, that is? Having two, it departs full and returns empty (7,3)
6 Carry On films, of course, uncover bottoms after lifting pictures (8)
7 Greek character with bad back's terribly bad (6)
8 Kind of fifty pence piece (4)
14 The old racer racing around Italy? (10)
15 No chance of dessert? (3-7)
17 Councillor, supported by America, rejecting left-wing activist (8)
18 Weapons loaded with bullets to begin with and they're blown up (8)
20 Admiral's strong grasp (6)
21 English mathematician's trick with a variable (6)
22 Son wears old soldier's garment (4)
23 100,0,100,1,000? Nonsense! (4)

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