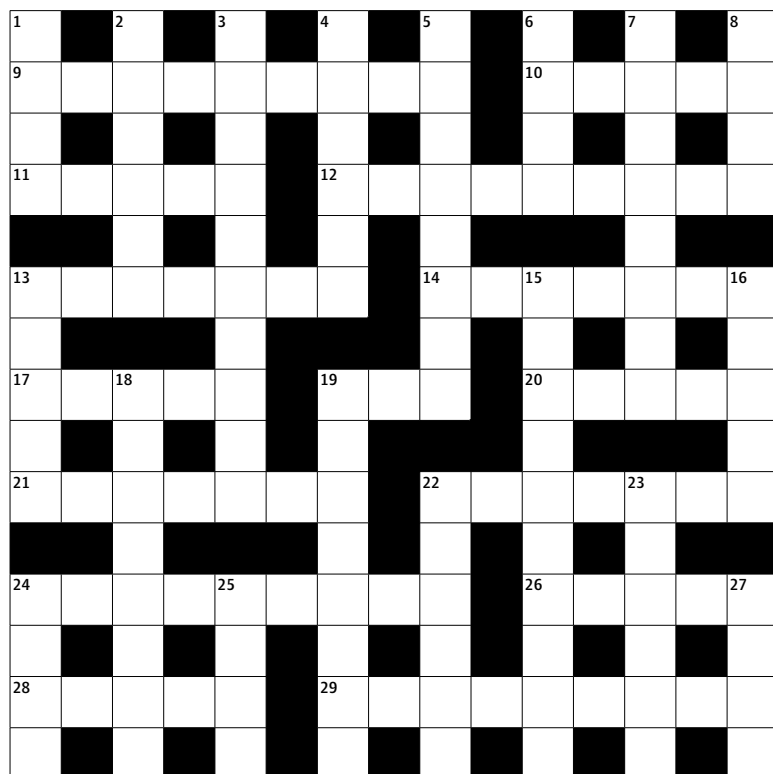


# Guardian cryptic crossword No 27,631 set by Qaos



### Across

- 9 Signal for lager – the cocktail requires a drop of Pilsner (9)
- 10 A pretty sharp accent (5)
- 11 Respond to criminal racket, deporting 1,000 (5)
- 12 Lara Croft initially backflips with weapons and sirens (3,6)
- 13 Note: new heart put in here (7)
- 14 5 over 9 in, say, after 8? (7)
- 17 To surrender beat, The Jam finally retire underground (5)
- 19 Nice 1 follows Special 1 (3)
- 20 Puzzling out some jargon (5)
- 21 Bird's main city (7)
- 22 Talk fast (7)
- 24 Old Norse style originally discovered between 1100 and 1100 (9)
- 26 One studies figures (5)
- 28 Greek work rejects independent, backing unknown cleaner (5)
- 29 Celebrity ignores upper class creep (9)

### Down

- 1 Leading lady first to depart flight (4)
- 2 To entertain, spin record without difficulty (6)
- 3 Troubles at giant rave around 10 on Saturday (10)
- 4 Left in Paris? That's awkward (6)
- 5 Number 10 welcomes new American employee hugging

- Tory leader (8)
- 6 He delivered letters (4)
- 7 Spanish football manager abandons old league – the end of Bayern's keeper? (8)
- 8 Do they examine old warhorses? (4)
- 13 B to C minus 1 returns X (5)
- 15 I'll place it round or roundish (10)
- 16 19 across good to get up on 19 across and shine (5)
- 18 Exchanges are down – isn't everything volatile (6,2)
- 19 Fixed flag (8)
- 22 The key to a jailbreak? (6)
- 23 "Arrivederci" to xenophobe, holding up non-native (6)
- 24 Front runner pulls out of wild motor race (4)
- 25 Organic group manufactured from clay ... (4)
- 27 ... without science, regularly (4)

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