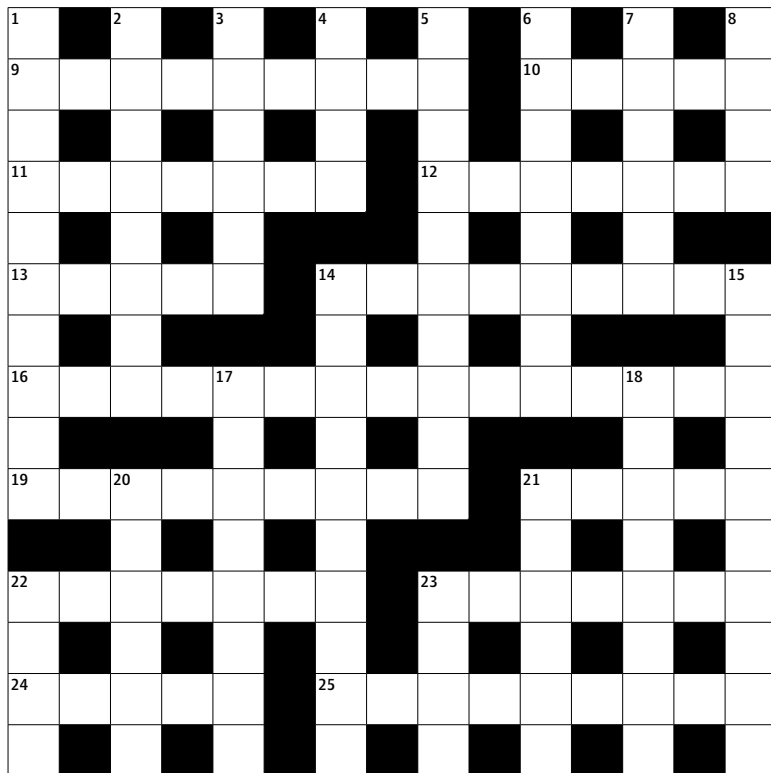


Guardian cryptic crossword No 28,167 set by Qaos



Across

- 9 Second room – the travelling sort? (9)
- 10 It's a bit spicy around plate (5)
- 11 Fail to deliver green recycling by European Union retrospectively (7)
- 12 Make food (7)
- 13 These might be smuggled in 500 carpets (5)
- 14 Property of trees in meadows: healthy inside with sun (9)
- 16 Sodium converted into aluminium is helping right away with public ownership (15)
- 19 Teaching English and Latin could flop after lecturers are expelled (9)
- 21 Tweets provide exciting exchanges, perhaps shocking leaders (5)
- 22 They're forever blown at West Ham playing Blues to win two billion (7)
- 23 It could be expedient if most of 21 down steal one time (7)
- 24 Minimum piece, simple as that (5)
- 25 On cracker, cuckoo bird (9)

Down

- 1 Rascal's discourteous then nice, not one to show lack of caution (10)
- 2 Earl not about to sit on spades,

- say, in posh clothes (4,4)
- 3 Old king gets food from bakery (6)
- 4 Extra code missing ... (4)
- 5 Race to arrest corrupt MEP at first on trial (10)
- 6 I'm on a break, following bad upset stomachs (8)
- 7 Cryptic clues? Answer is found in part of sentence (6)
- 8 Independent's right to plug Guardian's listening device (4)
- 14 Page in group that can hide in bushes? (4,6)
- 15 Flounder from beach with contents of bucket close to water (10)
- 17 Where to find dinner without any effort (2,1,5)
- 18 Angriest exchange when argon was called this? (5,3)
- 20 Cryptically, golf is cheerful (6)
- 21 Force required to cut up diamonds (6)
- 22 Inventor is extremely logical (4)
- 23 Left harbour bearing drink (4)

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