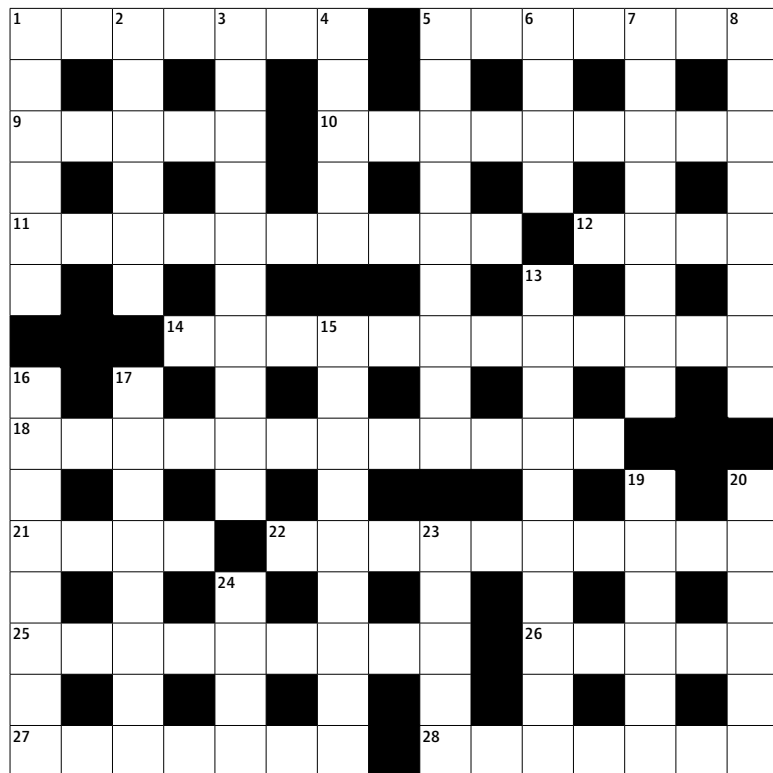


Guardian cryptic crossword No 28,566 set by Brummie



Eight clues produce one of a pair of commonly linked words. Its partner is the required grid entry.

Across

- 1 Crowd ended exercise (5-2)
- 5 Live in retreat – most mean (7)
- 9 Industrialist’s housing experiment (5)
- 10 Throw-out before a score? Attempt might pay off (5,1,3)
- 11 Rapture! Fig cultivated as a possible basis for a fad diet (10)
- 12 Underwear ultimately unsuitable for a northern hillside (4)
- 14 Turn right, then Green St and stay? (12)
- 18 Go out of one’s way to look after knotted hair on calves (6,4,2)
- 21 Religious pictures one disregarded as frauds (4)
- 22 Ubiquitous wife has the lot: two cooks – everything (4-2-4)
- 25 Seal accepted a lot of money for getting close and personal (9)
- 26 Sea snail is more fresh by river (5)
- 27 Try to be a loveless, awful source of power (7)

28 France’s doomed people carrier? (7)

Down

- 1 Guarantee place advantage (6)
- 2 Each year end increase is an obstacle for auditors (6)
- 3 Protect game – it could get you on film (6,4)
- 4 Grand parrot is celebrity (5)
- 5 Cardinal possibly raised double gun (9)
- 6 Bachelors hurt inside (4)
- 7 Going to pieces on getting into cooking (8)
- 8 Playing by ear? Try hybrid fruit (8)
- 13 Knockout stuff from loch or ground (10)
- 15 Use it for a change to cover burn in a religious ceremony (9)
- 16 A way of progressing agents’ lack of cover (8)
- 17 High-flying electronic equipment icon with visa difficulty (8)
- 19 Rough up the Spanish implement (6)
- 20 More than one artist in pull-out (6)
- 23 Hell with back to front relative darkness (5)
- 24 Odd cure for linen that’s unbleached (4)

Solution No. 28,565

