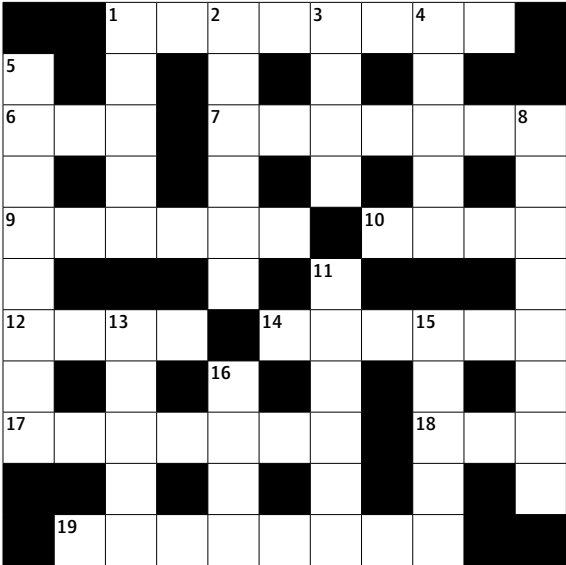


Guardian quick cryptic crossword

No 128 set by Dice



- Across**
1 Playing pieces - Odo's and mine - all over the place! (8)
6 Outside of pub? (3)
7 Bagatelle inspired by leap in ballet (7)
9 Veiled origins of unique names spurring Elgar's enigmatic notations (6)
10 Icon distributed money (4)
12 Setter's somewhat comedic endeavours (4)
14 Guards and displays swordsmanship (6)
17 Wantonly, Lou beds twins (7)
18 Spanish river starts from remote Iberian outlands (3)
19 Sweeties - they might get knocked down in the alley? (8)
- Down**
1 Rushes around art show, missing some of it (5)
- 2** Charted tips of mountains - Alps, Pyrenees, Pennines - emphasising detail (6)
3 Number of leaders of nations in nefarious entanglements (4)
4 Amongst yonder atolls, she inspires poetry (5)
5 Eccentric dude - a nob - was more than enough! (8)
8 Component inside prolongs hotspot? It's unlikely to succeed (4,4)
11 Container damaged EV less (6)
13 Large piece of cake, hidden under Nan's kagool, initially (5)
15 Comedians' hearts? (5)
16 Put money into this ex-Liverpool manager (4)
- TODAY'S TRICKS** Clues begin or end with a definition of the answer. The rest is one of these:
Anagram Anagram of answer and hint that there's an anagram
'Senator arranged crime (7)' gives TREASON
Hidden word(s) Answer hidden in clue's words
'Some have altered meat (4)' gives VEAL
Double definition Both halves are definitions!
'Search scrub (5)' gives SCOUR
Acrostic First letters of answer
'Initially get a good joke (3)' gives GAG

Solution no 128

