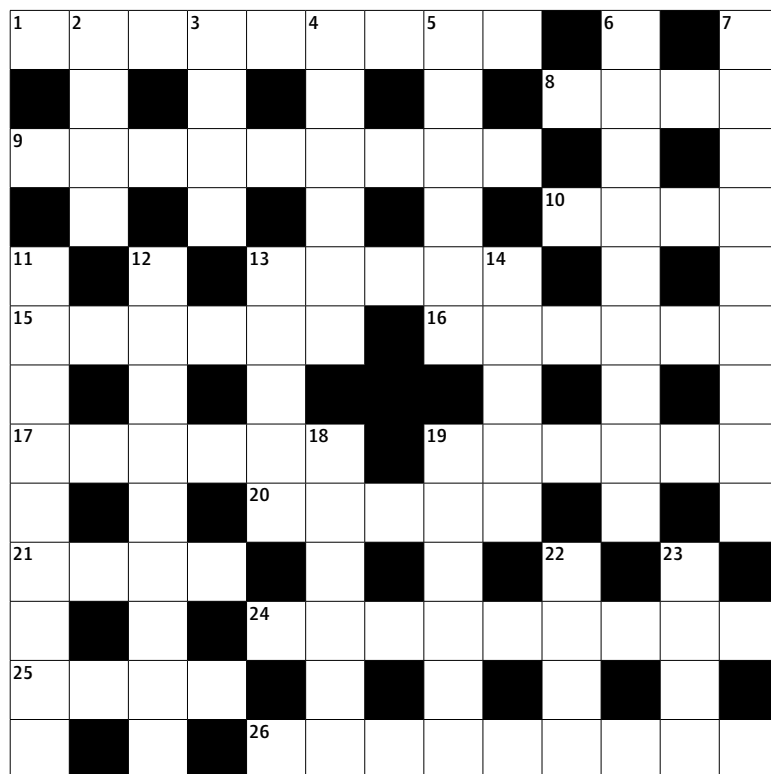


Quick crossword no 17,563



Across

- 1** This animal unfairly bears the blame? (9)
8 Clarified butter (Indian) (4)
9 Television set (informally) (6-3)
10 Bishop, angel or enemy (4)
13 Padded bedcover (5)
15 Abrupt stop - bar exercise (4-2)
16 I'm sorry to hear that (2,4)
17 Over-effusive person - free-flowing oil well (6)
19 Stop a film at a particular frame (6)
20 Poison of organic origin (5)
21 Female sheep (4)
24 Elephant, rhino or hippo, eg - mad cypher (anag) (9)
25 Digits - little piggies? (4)
26 Othello's wife - nomad seed (anag) (9)

Down

- 2** Become distasteful from excess (as in sweetness) (4)
3 Three little house-builders (4)
4 Matured to adulthood (4,2)
5 Greek sun-god (6)

- 6** Keen -sighted (5-4)

- 7** Energised - made to pay again? (9)
11 Pasta you may wind up eating? (9)
12 Hammered - after limb breakage? (9)
13 Undisturbed (5)
14 Sharp spike on rose stem (5)
18 Turn like a wheel (6)
19 Angled (6)
22 Sandler, Pearson or Ant (4)
23 English architect - small bird (4)

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