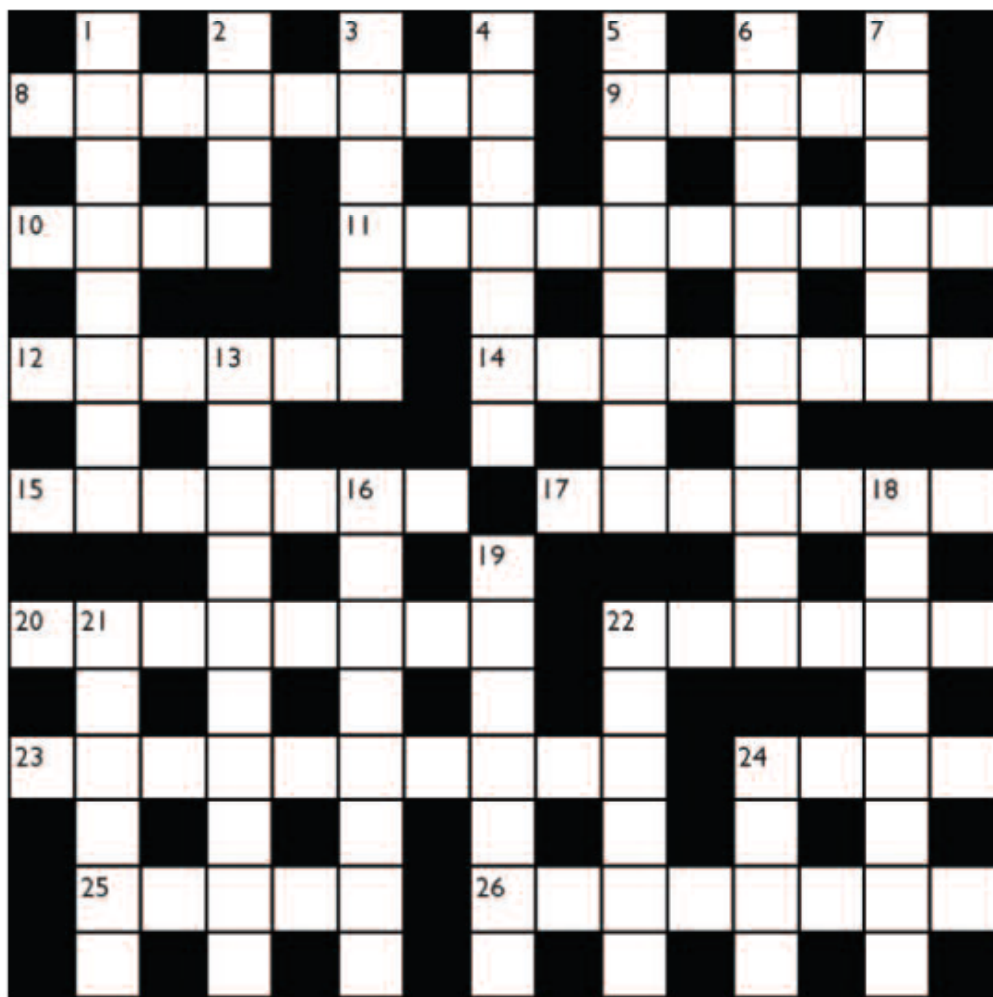


Crossword Competition



QUETZALCOATL

All across entries are a set, so only partially clued. 20, defining the set, is not clued at all.

Across

- 8 A transatlantic convoy escort... (8)
 9 ...arrives at Spanish resort (5)
 10 A German gem reportedly (4)
 11 He replaced a central piece of old bomber (10)
 12 Positively particular! (6)
 14 A red sort of '30s elopement aid? (8)
 15 When in tune a lively, fast mover (7)
 17 Is she French or a dodgy little Czech number? (7)
 20 (5,3)
 22 Flag officer? One or the other! (6)
 23 Sort of lorry, close to the very best (5,5)
 24 A motherless little one! (4)
 25 Bulgars' capital rarity (5)
 26 A street and a road are just the norm (8)

Down

- 1 Napoleon was bodily lacking energy (8)
 2 Five lie badly, very badly (4)
 3 Dictator, the best a lineage could provide! (6)
 4 Landing on royal back door (7)
 5 Routes favoured by alpinists (8)
 6 Starting learning? Well I'll go to the foot of our stairs! (5,5)
 7 Starting cell for outsider inside match (6)
 13 Offer elite service as Eden's eternal restorative (4,2,4)
 16 Eric Carr composed a complex fugue (8)
 18 Fabled 'foot' on the line (8)
 19 Dull and overcast as a poetical elegy (7)
 21 Performer, half boiled — almost half cooked (6)
 22 Internal ablutions seamen perform (6)
 24 Produced a backup cheese! (4)

Prizes for the first two correct entries drawn.

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