



Across

- 1 Mail curious pots (4)
- 3 Strangely orbit at a place for butchering (8)
- 9 Take in migratory bird (7)
- 10 Wrongly led on past (5)
- 11 Heartlessly choose iron horses in disarray, getting African animals (12)
- 13 Could possibly with energy finally add up to very great (6)
- 15 Dreadful marauding (rim stragely excluded) in landlocked East African country (6)
- 17 Deprive organ of its status; this disables when gone wrong (12)
- 20 Brightest star in constellation, one of the first grade (5)
- 21 Very drunk personal detective surrounded by confusion and bit of danger (3-4)
- 22 Forestall and prevent music introducing act of an opera, incorporating cut primarily (8)
- 23 Behave unusually badly knocking back beer (4)

Down

- 1 Bygone tup I smoked and sliced, highly seasoned meat (8)
- 2 Mystic south-western French friend (5)
- 4 Cricketer's hat (6)
- 5 Ludicrously bored through being of outstanding quality (12)
- 6 Affectionate term for a man or a blonde exceptionally (3,4)
- 7 Declaim bombastically in the past about South African money (4)
- 8 Unobserved observer or unwelcome insect? (3-2-3-4)
- 12 Showed up on the shore - doomed to extinction (6-2)
- 14 Momentary view unexpectedly impels touch of glee (7)
- 16 Sexually potent fellow inherently sanctimonious, dull in understanding (6)
- 18 Extremely happy situation wildly going wrong but not initially (5)
- 19 Politician following rules of state mostly, source of illumination! (4)