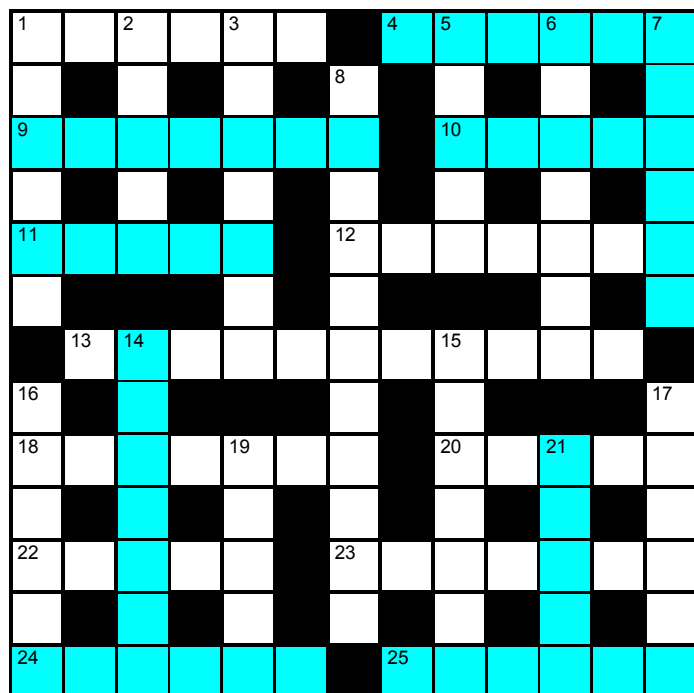


Festive Season

Nine unclued lights are of a kind. Santa would be lost without them



Across

- 1 Any thin or unappetizing drink (3-3)
- 4 Unclued light (6)
- 9 Unclued light (7)
- 10 Unclued light (5)
- 11 Unclued light (5)
- 12 Befitting or characteristic of a wife (7)
- 13 Rudeness of language, or violence to the person (11)
- 18 Place in a grave or tomb again (7)
- 20 Someone who devotes himself completely (5)
- 22 Alliance between Australia, New Zealand and the United States (5)
- 23 Having three axes (7)
- 24 Unclued light (6)
- 25 Unclued light (6)

Down

- 1 100 of these equal 1 ruble in Russia (6)
- 2 Scots form of them (5)
- 3 Accumulation of serous fluid in peritoneal cavity (7)
- 5 Type of chili pepper used in Mexican cookery (5)
- 6 The science of studying data obtained by means of touch (7)
- 7 Unclued light (6)
- 8 Group of three men responsible for public administration or civil authority (11)
- 14 Unclued light (7)
- 15 Member of any of a number of short-statured black peoples of SE Asia (7)
- 16 Dainty or delicate (6)
- 17 Worker who thins out and trims trees and shrubs (6)
- 19 The witnessing or concluding clause, duty attached; - said of a writ, deed, or the like (5)
- 21 Unclued light (5)