What's Your Take?

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Across

- 1. Part of a staircase
- **6.** Be a kvetch
- 10. Fashion plate
- 13. Desert plant
- 14. Nabisco best seller
- 15. Grim
- 16. Find fault with
- 19. Praiseful verses
- 20. Bygone bird
- **21.** Comments to the audience
- 22. Bleat
- 23. Lab growth, e.g.
- 24. Mansions
- **28.** Former popular magazine
- 29. Accused's need
- **30.** Nude
- 31. Church niche
- 35. Be strongly influenced
- 38. Deuce topper
- **39.** Component of fertilizers & plastics
- **40.** Best
- 41. Dock
- **42.** Description of rough waters
- **43.** Most waterless
- 47. Between Pi & Sigma
- 48. Mrs. in Spanish
- 49. Island give-away, often
- **50.** Game name
- 54. Bear in mind
- **57.** "... happily ____ after"
- 58. Diamond, e.g.
- **59.** Heirloom location, often
- **60.** Popular flag color
- **61.** Christian Science founder
- **62.** Choppers, so to speak

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Down

- 1. Alliance acronym
- 2. "Good grief!"
- **3.** Boat trailer?
- 4. Days before
- 5. "Malcolm X" director
- 6. Après-ski drink
- 7. Length x width, for a rectangle
- 8. Certain theater, for short
- 9. French stew
- **10.** Cooking method associated with the Swiss (var.)
- 11. Exterior
- 12. Nonpoetic writing
- **15.** 26 D motto: "Just !"
- 17. Dec. holiday, briefly

- 18. Common cruise stop
- 22. Get-up-and-go
- **23.** About
- **24.** Damon of "Good Will Hunting"
- 25. Apple spray
- **26.** Big name in sneakers
- 27. Comply with
- 28. Beam of coherent light
- **30.** Military wear
- 31. Passe hair-do
- **32.** Get ready, for short
- 33. "General Hospital," e.g.
- **34.** Prize since 1949
- **36.** Dennis, to Mr. Wilson
- **37.** Mountain return?
- 41. "Frasier" actress Gilpin
- 42. À la mode

- **43.** Daisylike bloom
- 44. Plunder
- 45. Signed
- **46.** Live wire, so to speak
- **47.** All set
- **49.** "___ of the Flies"
- 50. Pigeon's home
- **51.** Pear-shaped instrument
- 52. Condo, e.g.
- 53. Carve in stone
- **55.** Bit
- 56. Ocelot