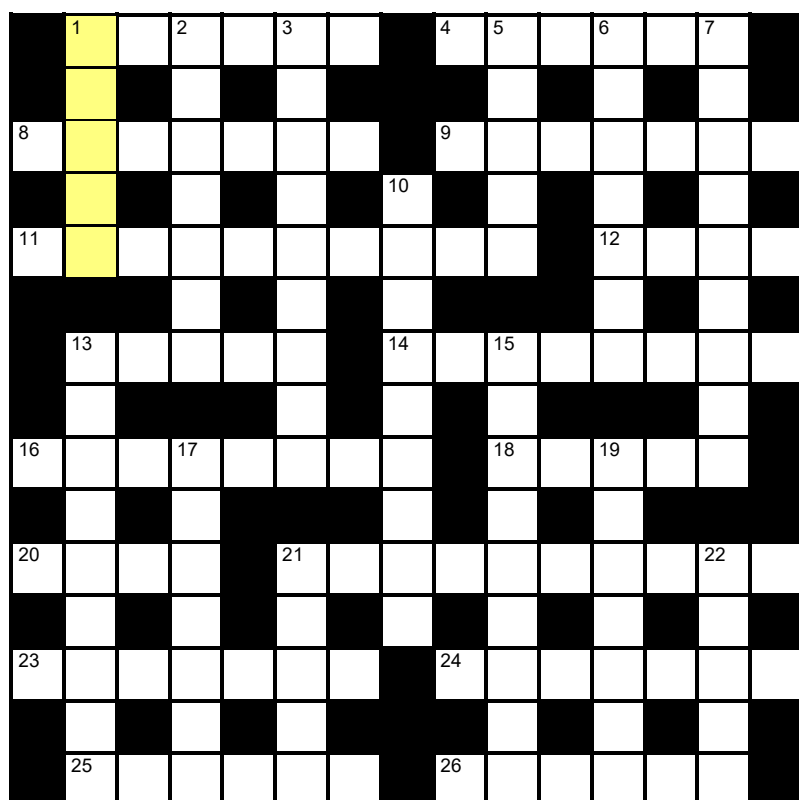


2023 Holiday



Across

- 1** Presumably this Spanish political group like the Deutsche Mark (6)
- 4** Carve steak cooked using lowest possible temperature initially (6)
- 8** Kindle found fame within and at the start of lockdown (7)
- 9** Crease in the skin of a snail with a proper tail (7)
- 11** I sell about a hundred - many have included this mixed assortment (10)
- 12** Dated part of Latin statute (4)

- 13** Country which backs aid to Northern Ireland (5)
- 14** Breaks sexy picture (8)
- 16** Small book produced by little brother - sure sounds like it! (8)
- 18** Suitably, but abruptly, rub out (5)
- 20** Rice cake made from rancid limes (4)
- 21** Just in time for making tiny shoes? (4-6)
- 23** Is being in a tent effeminate? (7)
- 24** Very loyal but not re-elected (7)

- 25** The French back still makes the team (6)
- 26** Church officials are dealers? Not a possibility! (6)

Down

- 1** Pool of water one found near Madras (5)
- 2** Married? Some people live independently: Carolyn, even David, for starters (7)
- 3** Miserable adult in a terrible state (5,4)
- 5** Dog gets the ends of dinner - fancy food (5)
- 6** Seeds can be slit up after a short time (7)

- 7** Politician has every street covered - an unlikely tale! (4,5)
- 10** Tip for someone fluid? Better ask he/she! (9)
- 13** Brighten up after digesting dire raita (9)
- 15** In the mall, blare out a danger signal (5,4)
- 17** Can a small wave cause serious damage? (7)
- 19** Had top temples: Alan, not Joyce, oozed real excitement (7)
- 21** Clean around the weapon (5)
- 22** Juveniles are loth to leave telethons (5)