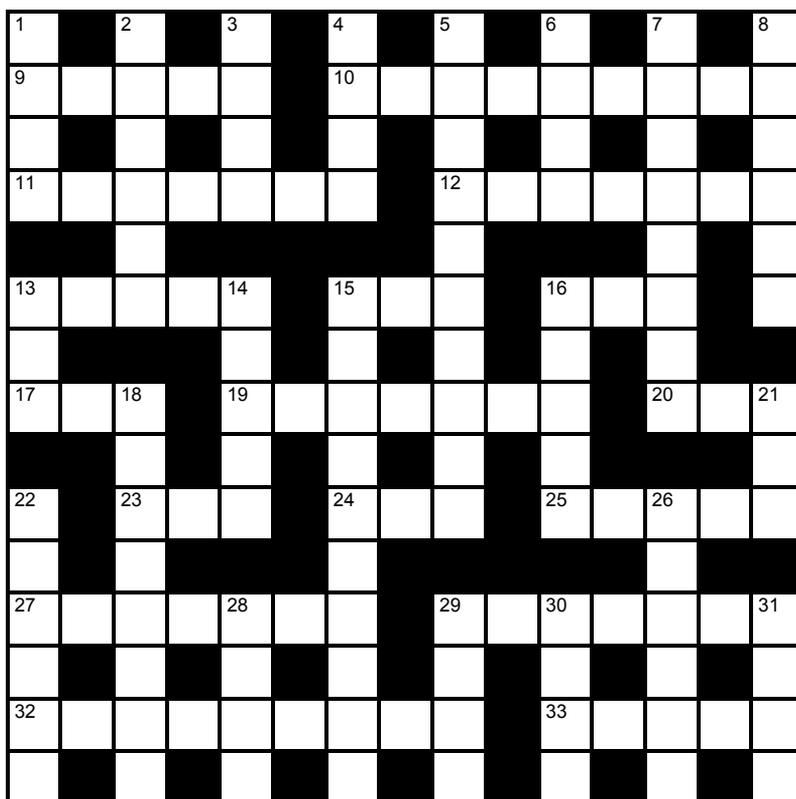


Across

- 9** Possibly gay, returning unaccompanied (5)
- 10** That I've trained to take gold is encouraging (9)
- 11** Too much is never enough (7)
- 12** Lenient like the French men in court (7)
- 13** Confirm offer (5)
- 15** Voice of Dickie Bird, say, starting commentary on couple of ducks? (3)
- 16** Flowery arrangement seen in kaleidoscope (3)
- 17** Carry on over gossip (3)



- 19** Empty, sullen, traumatised and starting to tremble (4,3)
- 20** Take MDMA in car (3)
- 23** It rhymes with debt when spoken (3)
- 24** Some say 'exactly' naturally (3)
- 25** Worker finally opens college before stint (5)
- 27** Stinging nettle around mid-January? Enlightening! (7)
- 29** Underwater predator's first to survive (7)
- 32** Simple church music for relaxing (4,5)
- 33** Come alive at a funeral! (5)

Down

- 1** Disease and infections wayfarer brought back (4)
- 2** Exchange Roubles, not Lira, here possibly (6)
- 3** Married one cooking the Spanish tapas? (4)
- 4** It's common to both south island and north island (4)
- 5** See 18
- 6** Note one's celebrity (4)
- 7** Could be exhilarating having a tax deducted from one that's only in it for the money (8)
- 8** 'pp' seen at bottom of note? (6)
- 13** It's often said to be relative (3)
- 14** As shown by bodies in cemetery (5)
- 15** Diagnoses 'All Clear' to cousins, perhaps (10)
- 16** Maybe Elise starts lots of trouble -- usually serious! (5)
- 18/5** Comedian engaging in small talk on game show on BBC2 (8,8,2)
- 21** It shows disapproval whichever way you look at it (3)
- 22** It's appropriate middleman's coming round after oral drug (6)

- 26** Game, for example, sees Milan playing after one (6)
- 28** Bend nail (4)
- 29** Thorny rose could cause this! (4)
- 30** Sing East 17, perhaps (4)
- 31** A level grade (4)