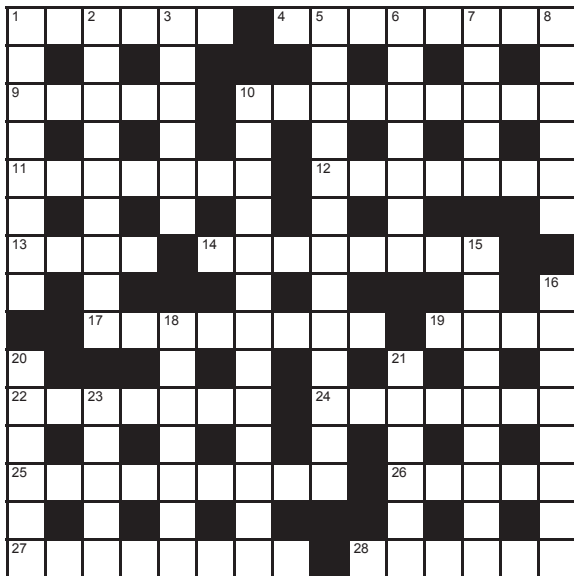


# CROSSWORD

## No. 15,914 Set by NEO



JOTTER PAD

### ACROSS

- 1 Cat draped round leg having sulk (6)
- 4 Good bread in fact stale (8)
- 9 Innocent one in place for congregation (5)
- 10 Spoilt or bad meat in hunk (9)
- 11 Resilience enlivens non-European in recession (7)
- 12 Not caught, Sam for example remains free (7)
- 13 Heroic work companion right leaving cheesy town (4)
- 14 Almost done with tea dance (8)
- 17 National obsession little man embodies (8)
- 19 Look quickly in small container (4)
- 22 Upright character escaping pain and hunger in style (7)
- 24 American friend in Soul City (7)
- 25 Sound cut in shout to encourage knight (9)
- 26 River sources only running high in northeast (5)
- 27 Vassals convey false impression with info about me (8)
- 28 Woman's smart hairstyle trimmed front and back (6)

### DOWN

- 1 Senior politician wants skirt on rump made shorter (8)
- 2 Greek character on spacecraft to flirt (9)
- 3 One regulated little sister's intellectual activity (6)

- 5 Ballet article by head cryptographer? (3,10)
- 6 Willing learner with an Asian ensemble (7)
- 7 An Italian city offers subtle charm (5)
- 8 Computer enthusiast over time liable to blow fuse (6)
- 10 Mann's novella — I've enhanced it spectacularly! (5,2,6)
- 15 Cleaner is coming in Tuesday having elevated service (9)
- 16 Eccentric American avoiding press and public (2,6)
- 18 Ropy work from staff packaging butter (7)
- 20 Strange craving observed in city up at top (6)
- 21 Old port — the writer's joining British sailors in it (6)
- 23 Renegade finally accepted by respectable relative (5)

Solution 15,913

