

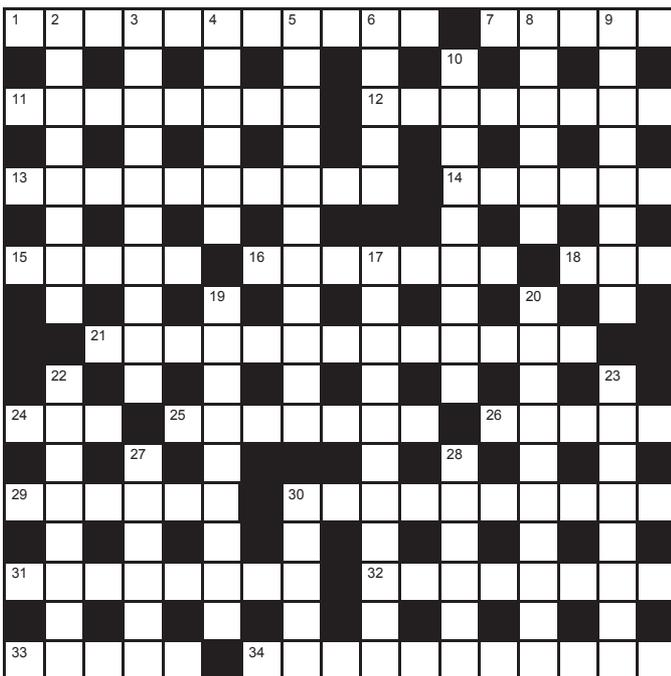
Polymath 1,068 Set by Aardvark

ACROSS

- 1 Common name for the ailment "mal de mer" (11)
- 7 Ancient Phoenician city on the north African coast near Carthage (5)
- 11 Of vegetables, cut into thin strips (8)
- 12 Free trade agreement between Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay (8)
- 13 French grand opera by Berlioz premiered in 1863 (3,7)
- 14 Ancient Indian writing system based on Aramaic (6)
- 15 Brightest star in the constellation Orion (5)
- 16 Dry white wine, either still or sparkling, from the Loire valley (7)
- 18 Former unit of currency replaced by the euro (3)
- 21 Grey and black corvid bird endemic to Myanmar (6,7)
- 24 Protective stud or metal plate fixed to the bottom of a shoe (3)
- 25 Island in the Indian Ocean near Mauritius, a French overseas department (7)
- 26 Scented, superior grade of black tea, made using young leaves (5)
- 29 Tropical evergreen which yields yellow, edible fruit (6)
- 30 Ancient inhabitant of southwest Palestine, enemy of the Israelites (10)
- 31 Region of Italy which forms the toe of its "boot" (8)
- 32 Gaseous element forming 78 percent of the earth's atmosphere (8)
- 33 Insectivorous lizard with immovable eyelids and adhesive toes (5)
- 34 US circus performer who created the clown character Weary Willie (6,5)

DOWN

- 2 Strong coarse brandy, literally "water of life" in French (3,2,3)
- 3 Animal puppet which appeared with comic entertainer Bob Carolgees (4,3,3)
- 4 One of the 26 political divisions of Switzerland (6)
- 5 Actress who played Meg Mortimer in the TV soap *Crossroads* (5,6)
- 6 Greek island in the Aegean Sea, birthplace of Pythagoras (5)
- 8 Part of an insect's body that bears the wings and legs (6)
- 9 ----- Water, Cumbrian lake fed by the waterfall Scale Force (8)
- 10 US percussionist who co-formed the Jazz Messengers in the mid-1950s (3,6)
- 17 Slow, triple-time dance imitated from the Polish mazurka (11)
- 19 Herbaceous plant also called bistort, a supposed cure for snake-bite (9)
- 20 Mixed-vegetable soup of Italian origin (10)
- 22 US state whose capital city is Dover (8)
- 23 Main presenter of the BBC Radio 4 programme *Home Truths* (4,4)
- 27 Grade I listed Georgian country house in South Harting, Sussex (6)
- 28 Harsh settlement forced on the defeated or powerless (6)
- 30 Devotional song or hymn used to praise the deity (5)



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