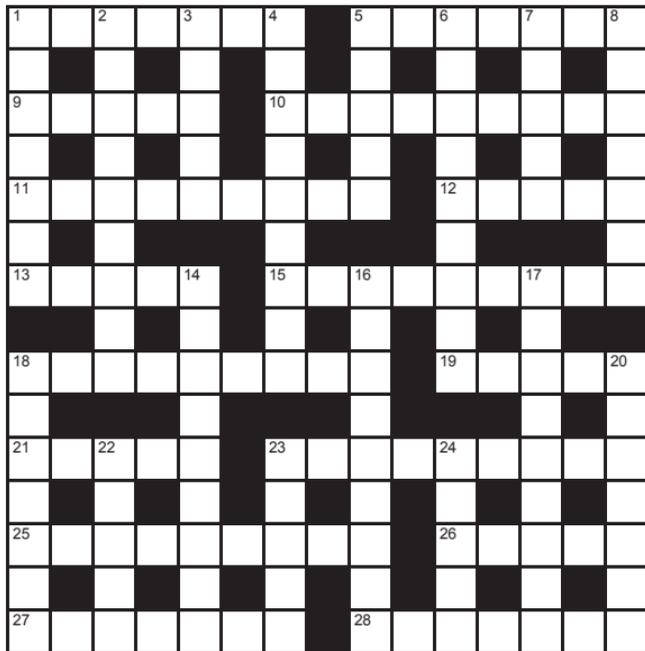


# CROSSWORD

No. 16,414 Set by ZAMORCA



**JOTTER PAD**

## ACROSS

- 1 Soldiers left two pints unfinished before argument (7)
- 5 Racket during bash spoiled holy day (7)
- 9 Jack in drugs to get court discharge (5)
- 10 Introducing discussion of fish in Crosby (9)
- 11 Translate Pinter play first in Russian and French (9)
- 12 Heard angry calls for alcohol (5)
- 13 Cause contamination of dressing (5)
- 15 Rude old fellow swamps me with very extreme language (9)
- 18 A maths geek's no good when forced to hurry (4,5)
- 19 Predatory animal has female bird protecting young one (5)
- 21 Get rid of wasteland (5)
- 23 Thought company nervous having lost leader (9)
- 25 Eager for mischievous child to get a connection with books (9)
- 26 Dismantle canape and remove a nut (5)
- 27 Times without number, regret being unfaithful (3,4)
- 28 Decide to do puzzle again (7)

## DOWN

- 1 Challenges point in risqué production (7)
- 2 Amazed to pronounce rower beaten (3-6)
- 3 Device going round either way (5)
- 4 Wearisome debts after childbirth in America (9)
- 5 Way to take away fat (5)
- 6 Form of support for ordinary members? (4,5)
- 7 Morning turn around island with Spanish friend (5)
- 8 Cleaning routine picked up important bit of DNA (7)
- 14 Artist displaying work in old house's keeping one section restricted to Americans (9)
- 16 Fine crew bringing in King and Queen's vessel (9)
- 17 Duplicate papers briefly tempt top grade student (9)
- 18 Fail to get on satellite-bearing space flight (7)
- 20 Worker in high mountains reduced to a slow tempo (7)
- 22 Regularly reed grass is put in a new container (5)
- 23 Vocal group from town in Cheshire (5)
- 24 Spelling mistakes found in community posters (5)