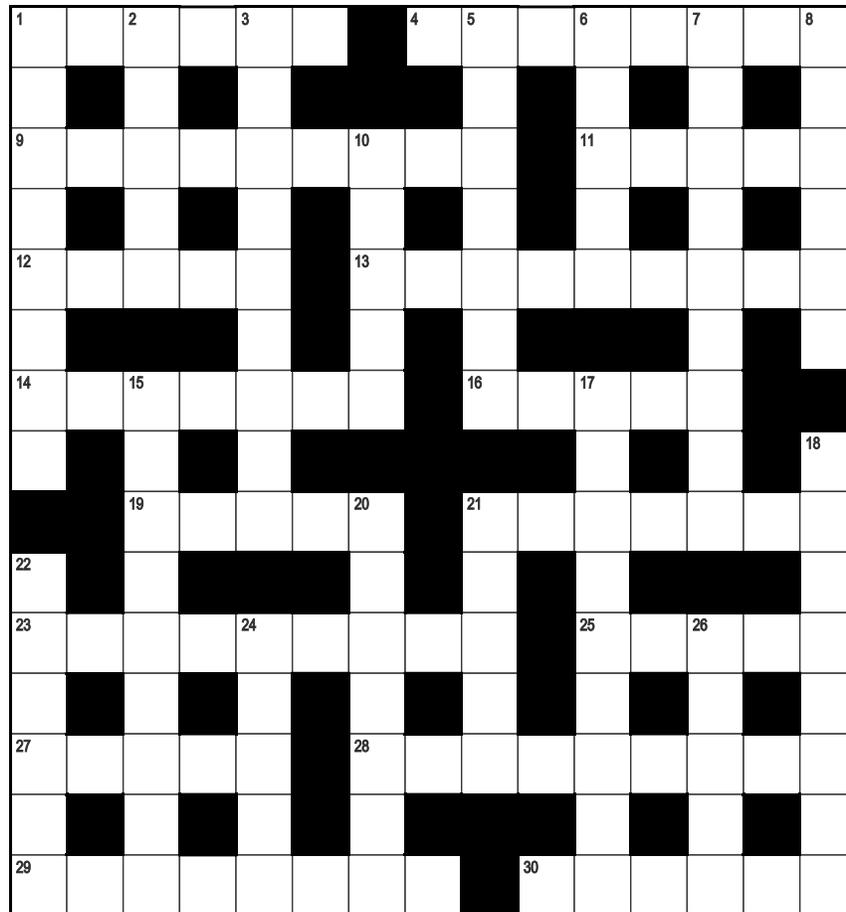


# Cryptic 2026-03

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## Across:

- 1 Table with platter and whisk for Spooner (6)
- 4 Chores to get sticks out (8)
- 9 Stray cats visit those who try to make a difference (9)
- 11 Make a face at hint of cherry in Chardonnay (5)
- 12 Phrases from simplified elements of stress meter (5)
- 13 Half of them said woman is hard to dress up (9)
- 14 Husband and wife spoiled adopted individual (7)
- 16 Object included in Yuletide mural (5)
- 19 Exhume that thing - could be a finger? (5)
- 21 Perils coming from energy extracted from exploding grenades (7)
- 23 It helps traveler find their way to dimension trapping a heartless devil (9)
- 25 Unifying motif found in article on magazine's covers (5)
- 27 Ignore outburst on the radio (5)
- 28 In dancing, the bride loses piece of bracelet from her mother, perhaps (9)
- 29 Record wild tigers chasing pair of reporters (8)
- 30 A hairstyle Ruby was quite fond of (6)

## Down:

- 1 Removed core from metal, brought it back with me around noon perhaps (8)
- 2 According to hearsay, a couple ripped into someone who tries to help (5)
- 3 Amid extremes of violence, police raid leads to speculation (9)
- 5 Emerging beauty rearranged our beds (7)
- 6 Cleared out jail containing sheep and rock (5)
- 7 Attendant's company has generic rum (9)
- 8 Witness the storm (6)
- 10 Pace Southern Ocean going north (5)
- 15 Beaming from crumbling dirt again (9)
- 17 After Sunday, I hurried to intro to dance and watched (9)
- 18 Doctor dances on weed without you and I, having got high (8)
- 20 Motto from row of license plates? (3,4)
- 21 Avoid gutter (5)
- 22 Sprinkle from one who scatters seed around hospital (6)
- 24 Sarge yells regularly, wheeling to get dirty looks (5)
- 26 Not the first tenant to come inside (5)