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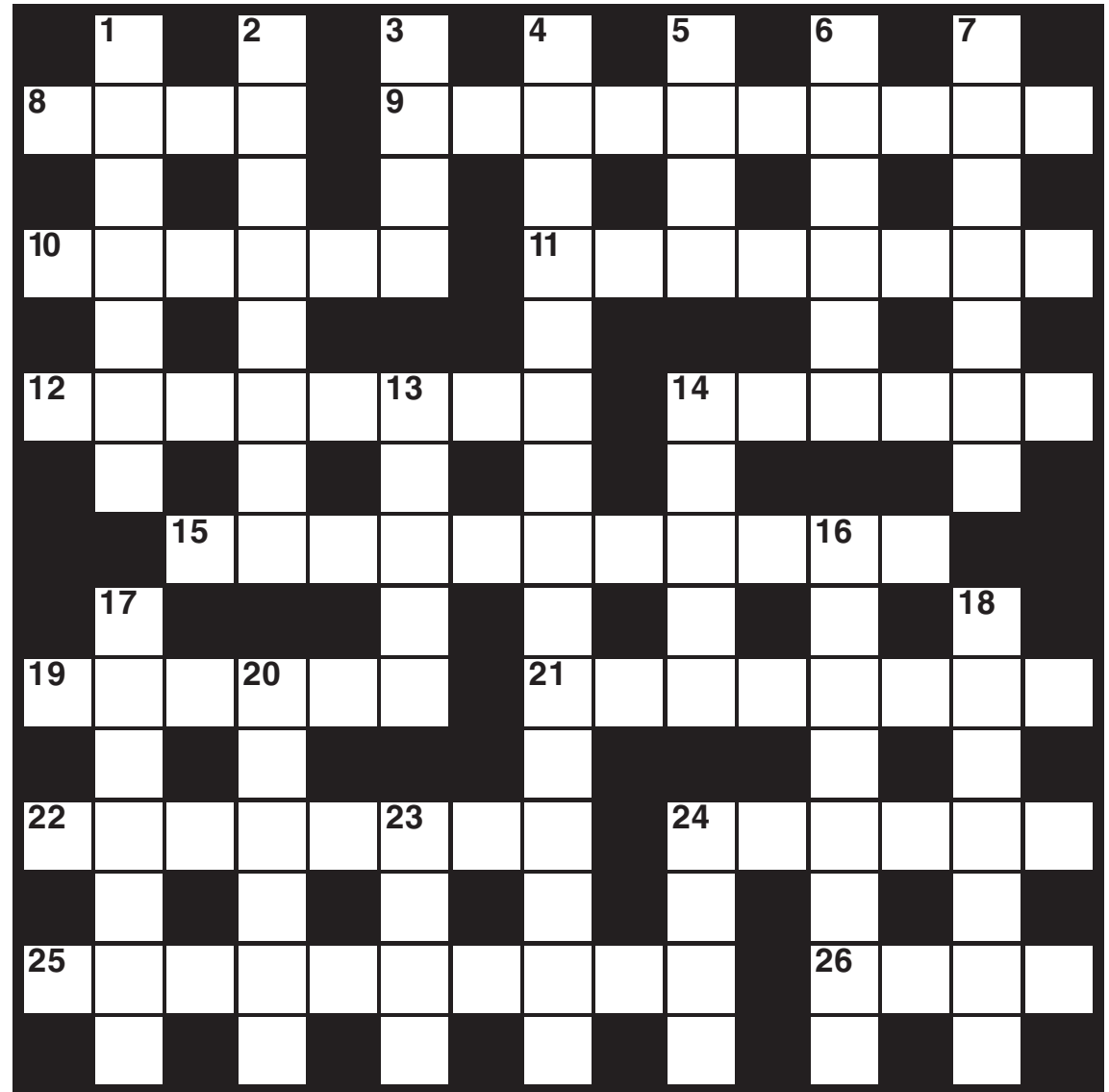
- 8 Date with frozen water cubes (4)
- 9 Being a sign that the wine is running out (10)
- 10 Servile sort of male going round Northern Island (6)
- 11 We hear you'll have new diet for festive season (8)
- 12 A learner takes the wall painting outside (8)
- 14 Blunder by worker wandering (6)
- 15 Suitable pattern for fish fillet (11)
- 19 Alternatively, put bad beef outside earlier (6)
- 21 Small star, pretty cool, of sitcom (3,5)
- 22 Oddly, a strict one held to be creative (8)
- 24 Tough fish enters enclosure (6)
- 25 Tool container alongside bridge? (3,7)
- 26 French writer to cling to love (4)

## DOWN

- 1 Soldier, European, is about to promote ballet (7)
- 2 Some quadruped I greet, as thoroughbred (8)
- 3 Love to get friend a gemstone (4)
- 4 Carrying on, he dug out the dogs (9,6)
- 5 The man puts nearly everything towards cure (4)
- 6 Tide turns on golden journalist (6)
- 7 Painkiller annoyed stranger (7)
- 13 European river outing (5)
- 14 Journalist grabbing award – fix! (5)
- 16 Variety of wine held in Indian city (3,5)

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- 17 Delegate covering criticism (7)
- 18 Endeavour to hide one record of three books (7)
- 20 Superfluous ten toes twiddling about (6)
- 23 Transport shop turned over (4)
- 24 He worked among the lesser fellows (4)