

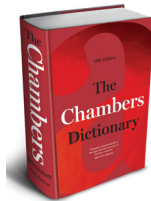
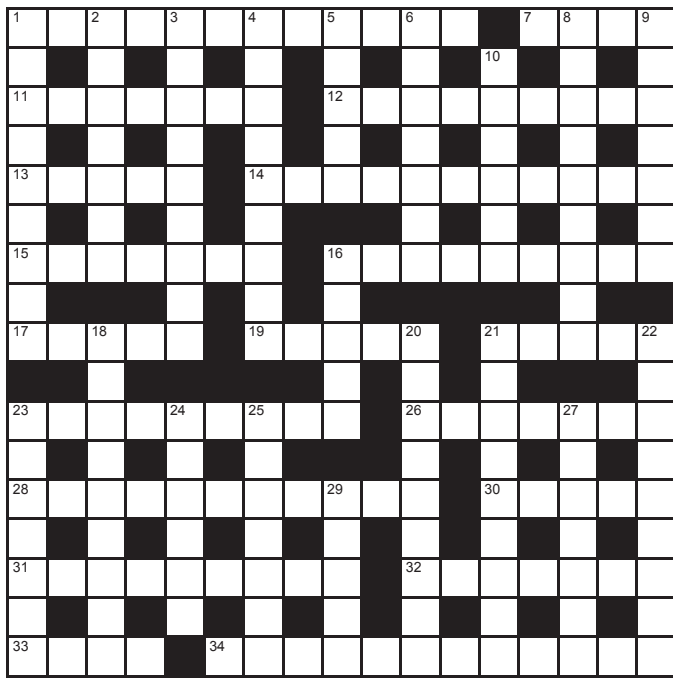
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- 1 Soviet long-distance runner, 1927-75 (8,4)
- 7 Small species of the merganser diving duck (4)
- 11 Old Testament wife of Nabal and later of David (7)
- 12 Greek mythological king who led the Greeks in the Trojan War (9)
- 13 Former county, duchy and province of France (5)
- 14 Collection of stories by Thomas Hardy published in 1888 (6,5)
- 15 Moroccan coastal city (7)
- 16 Irish and Scottish name for whisky (3,6)
- 17 Type of chilli pepper, used in Mexican cookery (5)
- 19 U-shaped bone at the base of the tongue (5)
- 21 ----- Vance, US secretary of state under Jimmy Carter (5)
- 23 Light cake traditionally eaten at Christmas in Italy (9)
- 26 Oxfordshire town, birthplace of King Alfred the Great (7)
- 28 Specialist in the study of mites and ticks (11)
- 30 *Round the -----*, BBC radio comedy show in the 1960s (5)
- 31 Engraving, painting, drawing etc in dots or separate touches (9)
- 32 Department store in Knightsbridge London, founded in 1834 (7)
- 33 Standard monetary unit of China (4)
- 34 Cocktail of vodka, Kahlua and milk (5,7)

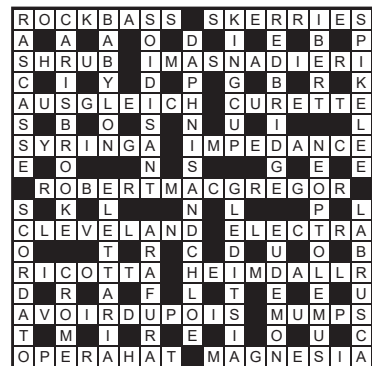
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- 1 Latin term for the Milky Way (3,6)
- 2 Economic capital of the Ivory Coast (7)
- 3 Actress who starred in and directed the 1953 film *The Bigamist* (3,6)
- 4 Suburb of London which contains Syon House (9)
- 5 Writer of the abandoned epic poem *Hyperion* (5)
- 6 Swing used by circus acrobats (7)
- 8 The worship of one god without excluding belief in others (9)
- 9 Type of wide triangular knot used in a tie (7)
- 10 Small breed of Kerry cattle (6)
- 16 Word or expression used figuratively, eg metaphor (5)
- 18 Italian female peasant or countrywoman (9)
- 20 Migratory long-billed wading bird of the sandpiper family (9)
- 21 Blister beetle or Spanish fly, *Lytta vesicatoria* (9)
- 22 Juliet, leading actress in the 1990 film *Truly, Madly, Deeply* (9)
- 23 1757 battle won by Clive of India over the Nawab of Bengal (7)
- 24 Jeremy, leader of the Liberal Party after Jo Grimond (6)
- 25 Calcareous particle of the inner ear of some animals, used in balance (7)
- 27 In logic, based on hypothesis rather than experiment (1,6)
- 29 Mass of unwrought metal cast in a mould (5)



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