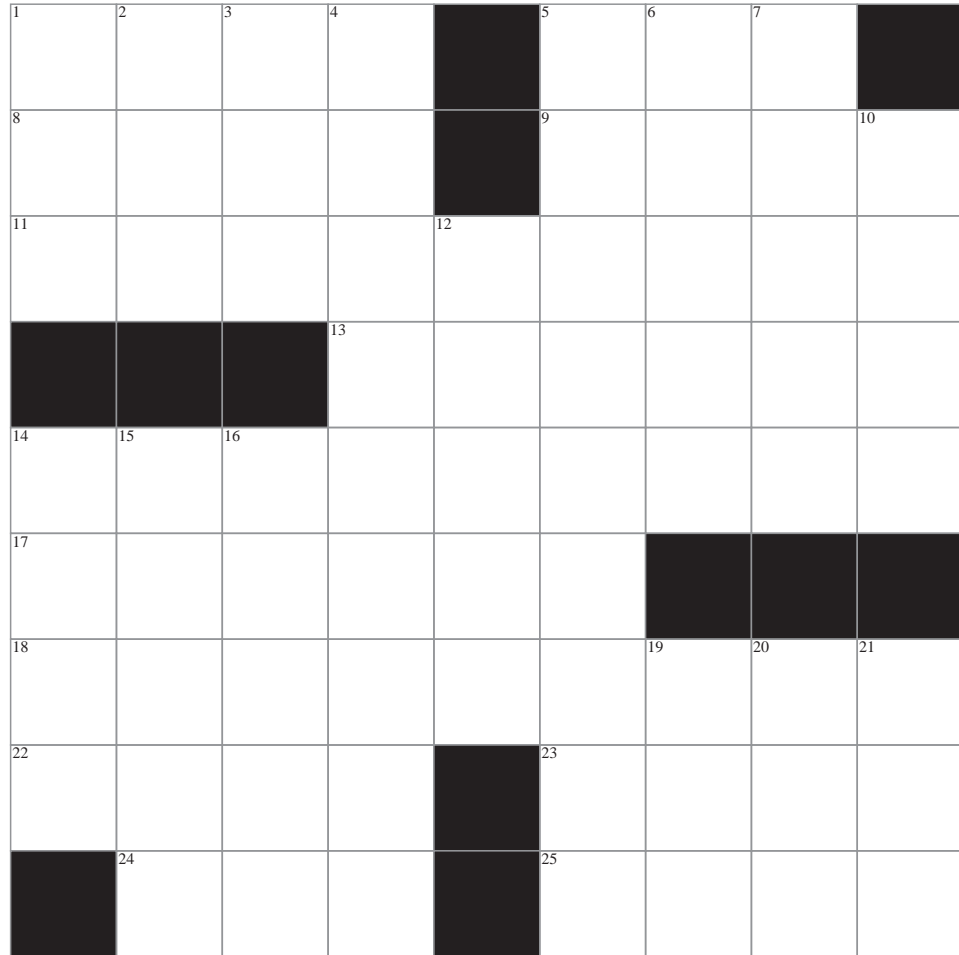


ACROSS

- 1: an independent ruler or chieftain (especially in Africa or Arabia)
- 5: (genetics) genetic variation in a DNA sequence that occurs when a single nucleotide in a genome is altered; ___s are usually considered to be point mutations that have been evolutionarily successful enough to recur in a significant proportion of the population of a species
- 8: man with strong sexual desires
- 9: part of the peritoneum attached to the stomach and to the colon and covering the intestines
- 11: a region of southwestern France between Bordeaux and the Pyrenees
- 13: genus of tropical Old World trees: nitta trees
- 14: a slender stick of incense burned before a joss by the Chinese
- 17: of or relating to former Eastern Christian or Orthodox churches that have been received under the jurisdiction of the Church of Rome but retain their own rituals and practices and canon law
- 18: thick like gelatin
- 22: large sweet juicy hybrid between tangerine and grapefruit having a thick wrinkled skin
- 23: suggestive of or tending to moral looseness
- 24: a pompous fool
- 25: Babylonian god of storms and wind



DOWN

- 1: a flat wing-shaped process or winglike part of an organism
- 2: one-thousandth of an equivalent
- 3: a hospital unit staffed and equipped to provide intensive care
- 4: large genus of epiphytic or lithophytic unarmed cacti with usually segmented stems and pendulous branches; flowers are small followed by berrylike fruits
- 5: a genus of Blenniidae
- 6: a Dravidian language spoken in south central India
- 7: the Phoenician dialect of ancient Carthage
- 10: a euphemism for urination
- 12: pleasing to the sense of taste
- 14: the power associated with a ____
- 15: lake in northwestern Russia near the border with Finland; second largest lake in Europe
- 16: United States operatic soprano (born in 1929)
- 19: an explosive device that is improvised
- 20: a group of African language in the

Niger-Congo group spoken from the Ivory Coast east to Nigeria
 21: a doctor's degree in education