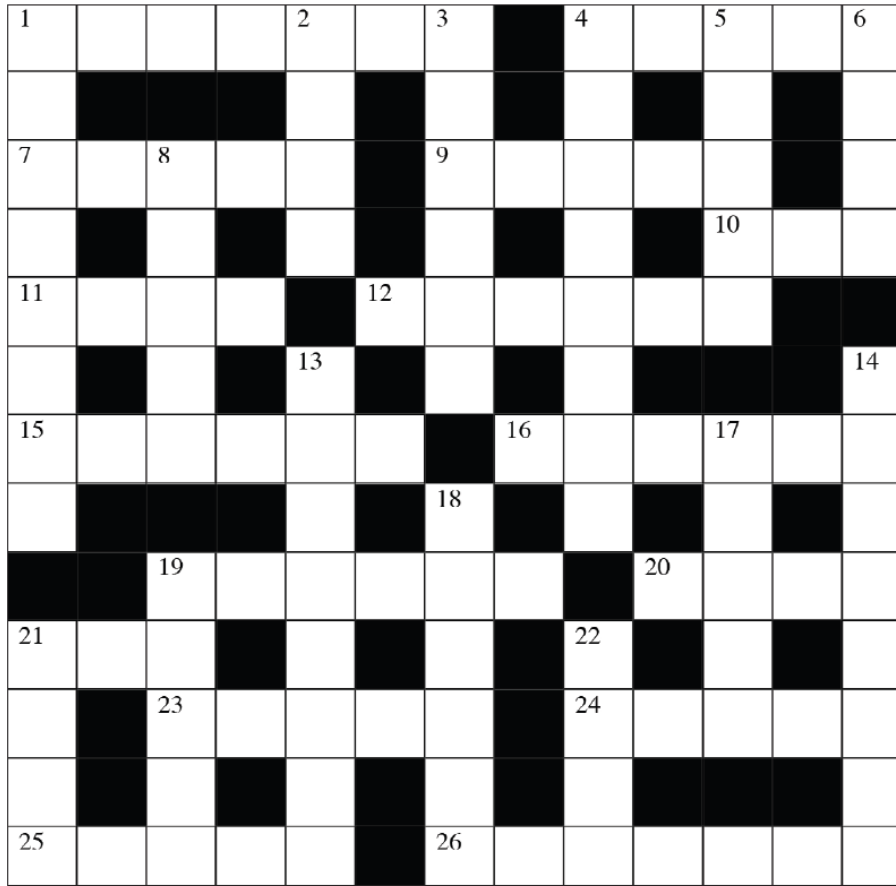


French-themed crossword

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Note all answers are words or names associated with France

Across

- 1 Northernmost wine district of the Burgundy region best known for its dry white (7)
- 4 Celestial body (5)
- 7 *Fils d'un frère ou d'une soeur* (5)
- 9 Paris-born sculptor renowned for works such as *Le Penseur* and *L'homme qui marche* (5)
- 10 Refresher – especially for *les Anglais* (3)
- 11 One who assists another (4)
- 12 Nobel-prizewinning writer Anatole _____, celebrated for works such as the satiric *L'Île des Pingouins* (6)
- 15 Town in the Aude department celebrated for its winter festival and sparkling white wine (6)
- 16 Plante potagère, aka *Apium graveolens* – cultivated for its stalks (6)
- 19 Dexterous or skilful (6)
- 20 With an accent it's salty, without it's dirty (4)
- 21 *Brin fin de matière textile* (3)
- 23 Hillock – *une petite élévation de terre* (5)
- 24 Famed wine district north-west of Bordeaux on the left bank of the Gironde (5)
- 25 Boisterous or mischievous child – the little devil! (5)
- 26 Town on the Marne which is home to numerous champagne houses (7)

Down

- 1 Important red wine grape, especially in the Languedoc (8)
- 2 This fish *de mer* has a wolfish touch (4)
- 3 Key figure in existentialism (6)
- 4 Densely wooded department on the Belgian border (8)
- 5 For elementary learners, typically la *plume's* owner (5)
- 6 French name for Mediterranean island to which Napoleon was briefly exiled (4)
- 8 Surname of film director, producer, writer, whose wives included Brigitte Bardot and Jane Fonda (5)
- 13 Dish baked with a topping of breadcrumbs or grated cheese (2,6)
- 14 Hubert de _____, fashion designer lauded for dressing Audrey Hepburn in *Breakfast at Tiffany's* and other films (8)
- 17 Respect for someone or something (5)
- 18 Believer in a particular religion (6)
- 19 *Cahier* for photos, stamps, etc (5)
- 21 *Sans* _____ – *sans artifice ou maquillage* (4)
- 22 Lady friend (4)



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Across: 1 Chablis, 4 astre, 7 neveu, 9 Rodin, 10 the, 11 aède, 12 France, 15 Limoux, 16 celeri, 19 adroit, 20 sale/sale, 21 fil, 23 butte, 24 Médoc, 25 démon, 26 Epemay.
Down: 1 cinsault, 2 loup, 3 Sartre, 4 Ardennes, 5 tante, 6 Elbe, 8 Valdin, 13 au gratin, 14 Givenchy, 17 égard, 18 fidèle, 19 album, 21 fard, 22 amie.