



Across

- 1 It originated in 18th century France with companies captivated by gold from the east (6)
- 4 A song about Labour leader being joined in matrimony (6)
- 8 Son's distraught over heartless opera singer (7)
- 9 Required reading in times of civil disorder? (4,3)
- 11 Reportedly rough on motorists heading to the east from Longchamp for instance (10)
- 12 Dishonest fellow offloading German's wheel in Metz (4)
- 13 Small French object particularly cherished earlier (5)
- 14 Even Rob and Miles fancy a month in Cannes (8)
- 16 A travesty with returning academic replacing Henry's French friend (8)
- 18 Sabine's to wash the French clergyman's back (5)
- 20 Hesitation shown by the Italian brought back to read in French (4)
- 21 Rear pet pig badly as it appears powerful but is in fact weak (5,5)
- 23 Never growing old of silver Edouard originally found in the Spanish ship (7)
- 24 Fully grown horse carrying large cask almost died (7)
- 25 Stone French rector on landing stage to the east end of Nice (6)
- 26 Agree when moved to rapture (6)

Down

- 1** Old Jack introduced to song about wine (5)
- 2** Punish soldiers appearing in my court (7)
- 3** Conservative group oddly ignored rival combinations of business concerns (9)
- 5** French wool produced by a girl needing no introduction (5)
- 6** I'm to be found south of Bury in the meantime (7)
- 7** Discover French colour scheme and furnishings around university - very restful indeed at first (9)
- 10** Photos capturing European politician in spring in Lyon (9)
- 13** Good to stop any pupil potentially misbehaving (7,2)
- 15** Girl missing the last article on sulphur in plants (9)
- 17** Biblical character occupied by one extremely large French bee (7)
- 19** Yours truly seen in our vet's new French car (7)
- 21** Luc's to pose with priest holding large elk's head (5)
- 22** Books on the First Lady's affair (5)

<p>Across: 1 Rococo, 4 Allied, 8 Soprano, 9 Riot Act, 11 Racecourse, 12 Roue, 13 Petit, 14 Novembre, 16 Camarade, 18 Laver, 20 Lire, 21 Paper tiger, 23 Ageless, 24 Matured, 25 Pierre, 26 Assent.</p>	<p>Down: 1 Rioja, 2 Correct, 3 Consortia, 5 Laine, 6 Interim, 7 Découvrir, 10 Printemps, 13 Playing up, 15 Valerians, 17 Abeille, 19 Voiture, 21 Poser, 22 Event.</p>
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