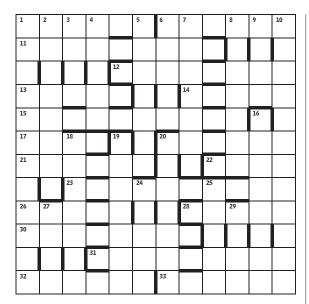
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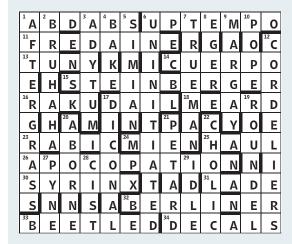
- 1 Plot devising counterfeit degree (6)
- 6 Plum creation with bits of sweet mango in part of orange? (6)
- 11 Man receiving what a tailor's fashioned, divine (9)
- 12 A bit of enjoyment? Rest fitfully inside as treatment for sore back? (8)
- 13 Range about a church (5)
- **14** Group of dormant reptiles in e.g. Wookey Hole (5)
- **15** Play casually in lea, mostly between two rivers (10)
- **17** Gull once died in grip of crab's 'pincers'? (4)
- 20 Old teacher favoured pupil circumventing grade of proficiency (6)
- 21 Great excitement, what one associates with Luton player missing second half (6)
- **22** Edible tuber fed to spoiled donkey (4)
- 23 Grand Italian gating fancy egress of luxuriant lawn? (10)
- **26** Horse as alternative for antelope (5)
- **28** Town stocking ordinary food from the east (5)
- **30** Some foreign cash that may be exchanged for Asian rug (8)
- **31** Indicate distinctly choppy sailing in Kent region? (9)
- **32** Tidy unit given a fresh coat of paint? (6)
- **33** With good forecast, Tuesday, not always stormy, was blustery (6)

Down

- 1 Dishonest dealer caught, imprisoned by snappish ultra-severe judge? (12)
- 2 Stained furniture material doubled around court (8)
- 3 Source of ghee used in Peshawar naans (4)
- **4** Finely chop egg with a bit of chilli in (5)
- **5** Fodder plants: one flourished about Florida? The reverse (7)
- **6** Belt loop shaped with the hand, concealing end (5)
- 7 What the ravenous could eat, and 'ad gobbled once served? (7)
- **8** Sin sporting with dodgy date in place of another (7)
- 9 Outing in French city, endless (4)
- **10** Ground wherein you'll observe Eton guy, deviously eloquent (12)
- **16** Sinuous artifice being insufficiently exploited (8)
- **18** It's terrifying to northerners to haul trap uphill (7)
- **19** Family welcoming jaunty air for coalminers' bands, lustrous (7)
- **20** Job abroad? Whiff about it's coming up (7)
- **24** Char in French capuchin? (5)
- **25** Upmarket transport delivering supplies from the bakery? (5)
- 27 Former measure of cloth, a French one (for women?) (4)
- **29** Domestic appliance, a must-have for the community (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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Across 13, ut (rev.) + NY; 14, cue + RPO; 16, (bun)raku; 17, dail(y); ref. Leo Varadkar, Irish taoiseach; 23, (A)rabic(A); 26, poco patio in an; 30, Syri(a)n + x; 31, 'laid'; 32, line in berr(y); 33, anag. in bed.

Down 3, (l)ady + tum; 6, in it in Uniate d; 12, lie in c orders; 27, n in Pye; 28, anag, less he, on; 29, (pa)id le(ss).

Rules and requests

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