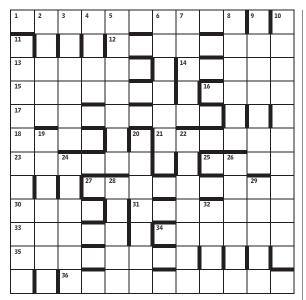
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Acros

- 1 Edible lizard providing food to fortify one (10)
- 12 Cretan maybe I vilify (8)
- 13 Like a caricature Paddy, rather dark (name withheld) (6)
- **14** Cargo of contraband unnoticed? Search me (5)
- **15** Counter-thrust? This goes wrong round highest point (7, 2 words)
- **16** What's possibly in maize (cropping early summertime in France)? (4)
- 17 Feature of Struwwelpeter to outrage principal? (9)
- **18** What'll provide cover for travellers lodged in Arab tavern? (4)
- 21 One's often seen in cathedral or e.g. Luxemburg Church? (6)
- **23** Ordinary lives confined to farm shelter (6)
- 25 Hotel chain in Italy, to be repeated (4)
- 27 Perinatal set-to, crib damaged (9)
- **30** Jack's about heading for Russia in Baltic vessel (4)
- **31** Short piece of prose on valley wild cat (7)
- **33** Poet producing love poem once, second penned (5)
- **34** Not married, curse for a girl (6)
- **35** A pianist without piano, I changed round on short composition (8)
- **36** Sheriff's messenger, a Scot upset about uproar, end of city (10)

Down

- 2 Jock's oath: it interrupts expression of surprise? (5)
- **3** Weed wrenched out? In favour of digging in (6)
- 4 Approach in which I persevere (4)
- **5** His keks becoming tight, guts revealed (7)
- **6** Confidential answer received, almost all changed (7, 2 words)
- 7 Headers from left and right are including hint of deception, Gazza-like? (5)
- 8 Organs attached to others, chopped and cut up (6)
- **9** Lenses created by some Yemeni scientists working together (7)
- 10 Rebels with a whiff of developing from early growth (11)
- 11 Mounted detail company randomly sacks, with speed (11, 2 words)
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 19 Organ stop to work at within limit, as before (7)
- **20** Sack, oddly lopsided, cut short (7)
- 22 Milton's span on narrative poem (7)
- 24 Works out anagram of 'instar' (6)
- **26** Fool caught in one eye, looking up? It could produce a real shiner (6)
- **28** Sword thrust left out of drinking bout (5)
- **29** Girl from Budapest, first of lots settling in northern isle (5)
- **32** Over gone, find out what's known to slip (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended; it does not give one foreign word.

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Across 1, win frosty; 10, harlot in etc (rev.); 12, via gra(in); 15, 'paced'; 18, turges cent; 20, ref. tricolour; 24, H in rope (rev.); 27, ref. Tina Brown, longtime e. of *Vanity Fair*; 28, anag. + te(en); 31, K + Nell (Gwyn). Down 1, ops (rev.) in fust; 3, v erst in oink; 5, a r dig in trade; 8, str. + ain't; 12, lin deodar in anag.; 17, R in it (rev.) + anon; ref, le Grand T., Versailles; 21, anag. less d; 23, 2 meanings; ref. saying, 'He/She couldn't run a w. stall'.

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