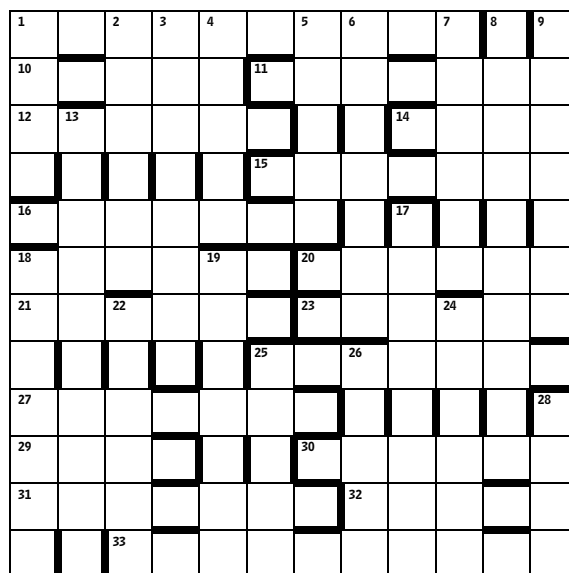


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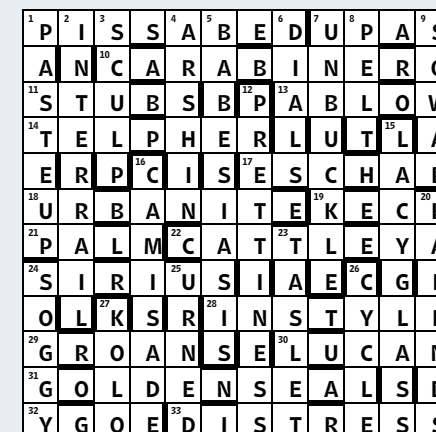
- 1 Container for washing to wallow in pail (10)
- 10 It's chill in Scotland – over there I'll be kept inside (5)
- 11 Coloured plastic decoration from Arabia in a blob, twisted (7)
- 12 Returning kisses this is abandoned excess (6)
- 14 Rubbish? That goes behind front of garage (4)
- 15 Philippine buffalo, a miniature? It returned to plunder endlessly (7)
- 16 Home preferred to nursing home, not available? Praise be! (7)
- 18 Handsaw tot held steady I'd cut (6)
- 20 Child returned cheap stuff – there's no arguing with that (6)
- 21 E.g. Warhol's stuff, work in character? (6, 2 words)
- 23 What's a hyena's growl, wild? We go 'Ah!' with this (6)
- 25 Get wet with shower? Exercise more than once needed (7)
- 27 Cordial from Romania – single I swallowed (7)
- 29 Nightriders in stark landscape (4)
- 30 Tradesman adding to the scales, according to hearsay? (6)
- 31 Germ of flax stuffed with ends of substance inside (7)
- 32 Japanese nerds wandering about Tokyo's centre, lacking breadth? (5)
- 33 Crater formed in crest abroad? A result of erosion (10)

Down

- 1 Personal problem mum's got after tripe (4)
- 2 Birds' rear ends demonstrated by one fat lady? Look out! (6)
- 3 Garrison commander still replacing head of tracking system (8)
- 4 Have a flutter with the hard stuff? (5)
- 5 One brings up water, absent after strong drink (5)
- 6 King introduces check limiting extremes of martial government (7)
- 7 Swivel-ring, wrong for fastening ends of rope (6)
- 8 Relaxing in a nice local privy may be described thus (10)
- 9 Devouring even bits of pud in rolipoly – foolishness (7)
- 13 Describing etiquette, suggestive of incipient stomach pain (10)
- 17 A peasant's piercing pain once in cell, lacking vital part (8)
- 18 Effervescent like foxes seen around the estate? (7)
- 19 Not so well, being under doctor – or dentist? (7)
- 22 Old rustic, one absorbed by cause of crop failure? (7)
- 24 Tom pounding tarmac (6)
- 25 One no longer prone to contribute to supper I served (5)
- 26 One of several in pack runs in to cover up (5)
- 28 Icy film on loch maybe was extending in sound (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2016) is recommended.

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Across 1, bass (rev.) in pied; 11, i.e. Stub(b)s; 24, u in sir is; 29, o in gran?; 30, ref. Lord L. and Marcus Annaeus Lucanus (39-65 AD); 31, olden in anag.
Down 1, Pasteur with p for r; 5, babes I + as is; 7, anag. in unb; 15, la + y(oun)g in class; 20, ka + l ends; 24, ref. warnings against 's. bottoms' in TV cookery programmes.

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