

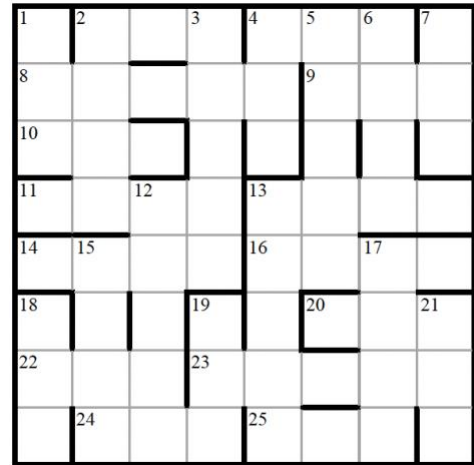
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LeXman's Cryptic Crossword Page											

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TREASURE MAP by LeXman

The solved clues will not fill the entire grid. The all-but-completed grid does, however, contain a clear path that you must follow. The path will bring you to your final, inevitable destination, where you will complete the map the way that any good pirate would.

Seven clues must have a single letter removed before they can be solved. Those letters, in clue order, will name the scaliwig who laid out this path in the first place.



Across

2. Totally encompassing!
4. Texted while, in the end, becoming second in command
8. Half of us aboard love scrambled egg
9. A tour group's astonishment
10. One way to keep fresh
11. Float fish in stream
13. Snack on turnover and hot dogs less
14. Related to Lady Day
16. Multiple choice selection: E
20. Fumble in the midst of risking new approach
22. Mineral or vitamin?
23. Brown fluid layer over sodium
24. Hospital ward at one time
25. Sanguine about world's end

Down

1. To name an unspecified weight
2. State senate abandons rescue worker

3. In Hollywood, Christopher's sweetheart comes back home for story's conclusion
4. Group ditches *Mangiano's* head waiter and leaves
5. Chaos brewing when society turns to vice!
6. Allows topless dresses
7. "Darn!" – very vocal
12. Change back in secret lair
13. Nation's lead Republican seized First Lady's note once
15. Spattered gore is grotesque
17. Hard and snide when struggling with a dilemma
18. "G" star!
19. Got you a laugh
21. Endless desire is feeble