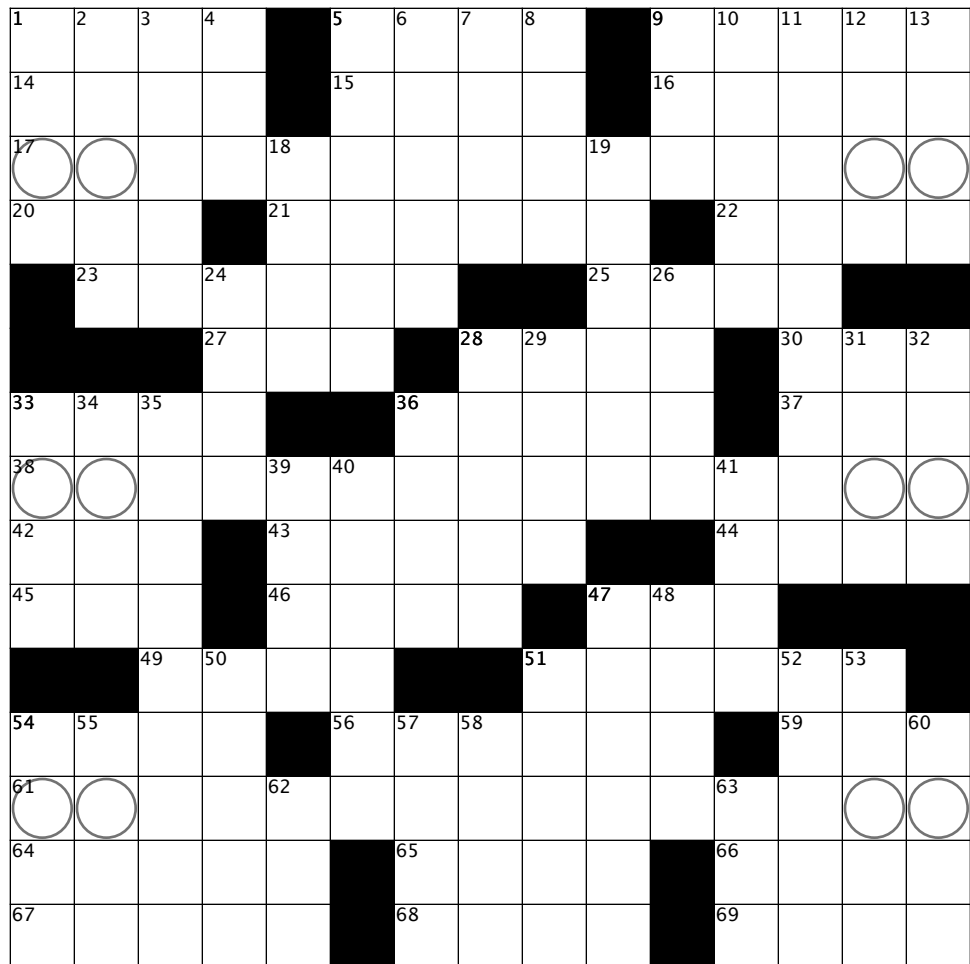


For the Present

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ACROSS

1. "It's a ____!" ("I come by it naturally!")
5. Apple product that sounds like a verbose writer's confessional statement
9. Bibliography datum
14. Soothing natural resin
15. Unit of distance based on 1,000 paces
16. Fairy tale antagonists
17. Cosmetic surgery taken to new heights?
20. Droop
21. Secret stuff
22. There are six in an inning
23. Doctorate, for one
25. Chamber
27. Caviar, for example
28. Digital video file extension
30. Not anti
33. Make less cumbersome
36. Christmas song
37. Waist-thigh connector
38. Rescue vessel shared by Corduroy the bear and the Velveteen rabbit?
42. Fuss
43. Spry
44. Bullfight cheers
45. Morning moisture
46. Floral Hawaiian neckwear
47. Green sphere
49. "____ want for Christmas is..."
51. Geriatric male
54. Composer of "Rule, Britannia!"
56. Enjoyed a frozen pond
59. Mates of Pas
61. Augean stables feature?



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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 64. Perfect places 65. Prepared, as a golf ball 66. Car 67. Triangular region 68. Goes wrong 69. "It's a ____!" ("The movie's finished!"): and, with 1 Across, a feature of 17, 38, and 61 Across | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. University official 9. Stocking stuffer 10. Arctic habitation 11. Like an arch raised by the victors 12. Not right 13. Guesses, abbr. 18. Gambling card game 19. Words separating names on an envelope 24. The eldest sitcom Brady, or Dharma's sitcom husband 26. Eye lasciviously 28. Santa hangouts 29. "____-dieu" (prayer desk) 31. Teeming 32. Chooses 33. Zounds 34. Assistant | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 35. Simple wintertime sculpture 36. CLXIV years before the Battle of Hastings 39. Holly-deckable area 40. Bigoted against the elderly 41. Wander 47. Beggars 48. Contrary current 50. Relied 51. Not the same 52. "Toujours I'____!" 53. Treaty in 1992 and 2016 US politics 54. Matured 55. Employ a horse 57. Flying toy 58. Maple genus 60. Halt 62. Intelligence grp. 63. Attorney's field |
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DOWN

1. Jokes
2. Epic that begins with a hero getting angry
3. Smithy
4. Often home-brewed beverage
5. Exultant cry of liberation
6. Fragment
7. Beginning of the NATO alphabet