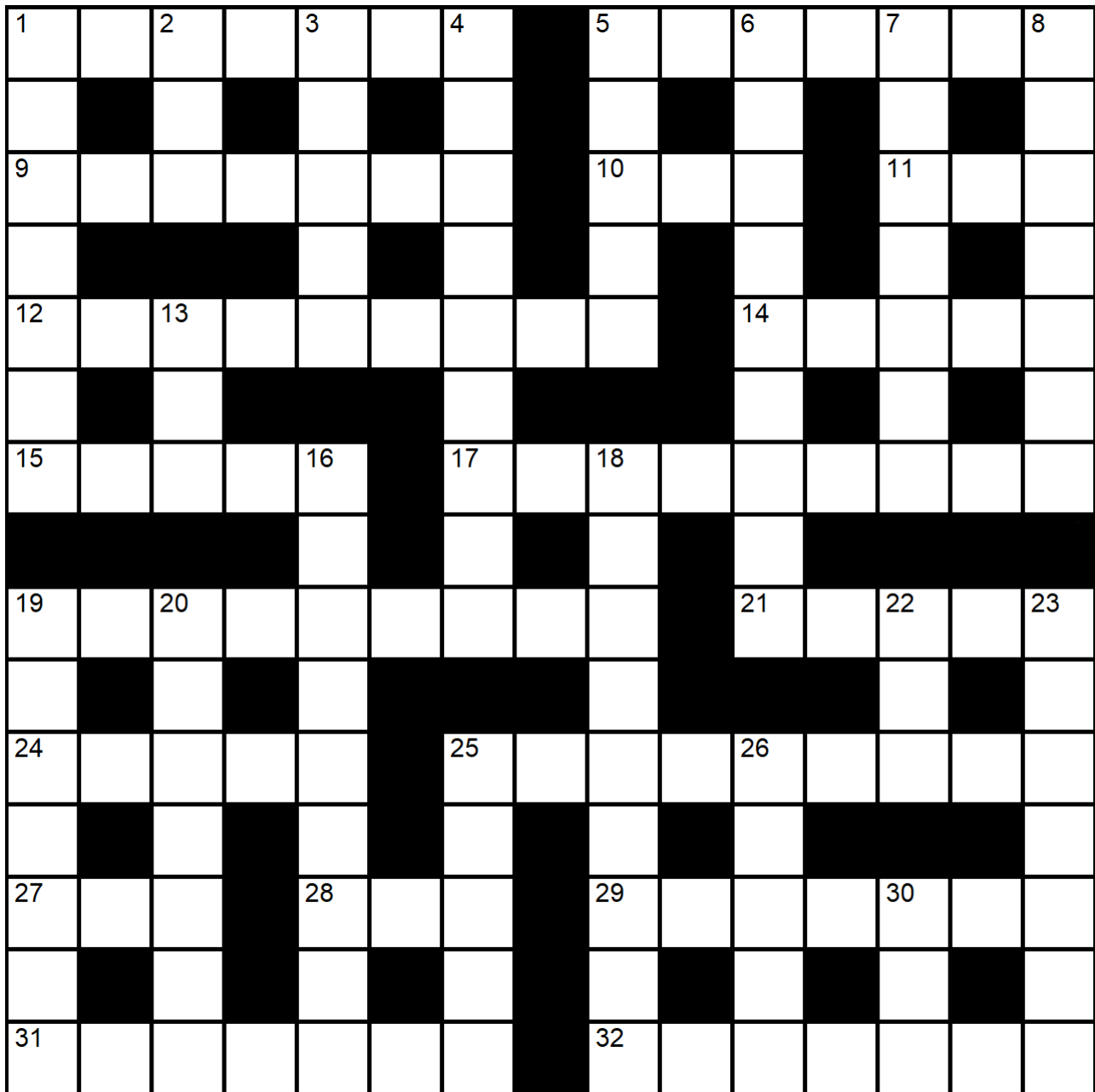


# Geographical Crossword December 2023



## Across

- 1 Bachelor has got round Master here in the West Indies (7)
- 5 Finished with lass in Irish county (7)
- 9 Hear LP, a version by Italian artist (7)
- 10/25D Poor Juliet swooned seeing share index (3,5)
- 11 Bit of a conundrum, sister! (3)
- 12 Perhaps the right image for St Petersburg museum (9)
- 14 Where bird rests with fish? (5)
- 15 Poisonous snake found in Mombasa, unusually, so taken out (5)
- 17 US state capital arranged loan with Spain (9)
- 19 Norwegian town, neat on the outside, roughly honed on the inside (9)
- 21 Kingdom with genuine military leader (5)
- 24 Perfect Delia concoction! (5)

- 25 Poor James Stewart was missing global air current (3,6)
- 27 Spot vehicle in advance (3)
- 28 Leeds United centre is star (3)
- 29 Devon resort has wild redevelopment (7)
- 31 'St Lawrence is one of these,' we say as ordered (7)
- 32 Sam leaves damaged mattresses in urban roads (7)

### Down

- 1 Overcook gammon in this Buckinghamshire village? (7)
- 2 Joint starts hurting – it's painful (3)
- 3 In my dream I am in Florida resort (5)
- 4 A last tune composed for Oman, for example (9)
- 5 City in Kansas to avoid (5)
- 6 Perhaps The Times might provide PPE answer (9)
- 7 A green plan left as non-specific (7)
- 8 Has a meal at uncle's hotel, maybe (7)
- 13 Animal is seen back in Denmark (3)
- 16 Continent contains new land, uniform with Spanish region (9)
- 18 Made notes about worms (9)
- 19 Criminals plan hits, including First Lady (7)
- 20 A canoe I rebuilt in Pacific island region (7)
- 22 Primate in a heartless place (3)
- 23 Me and Mike ship out to Mississippi port (7)
- 25 See 10 across
- 26 Wrote about London fortress (5)
- 30 Anger that is surrounding Romeo (3)

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