

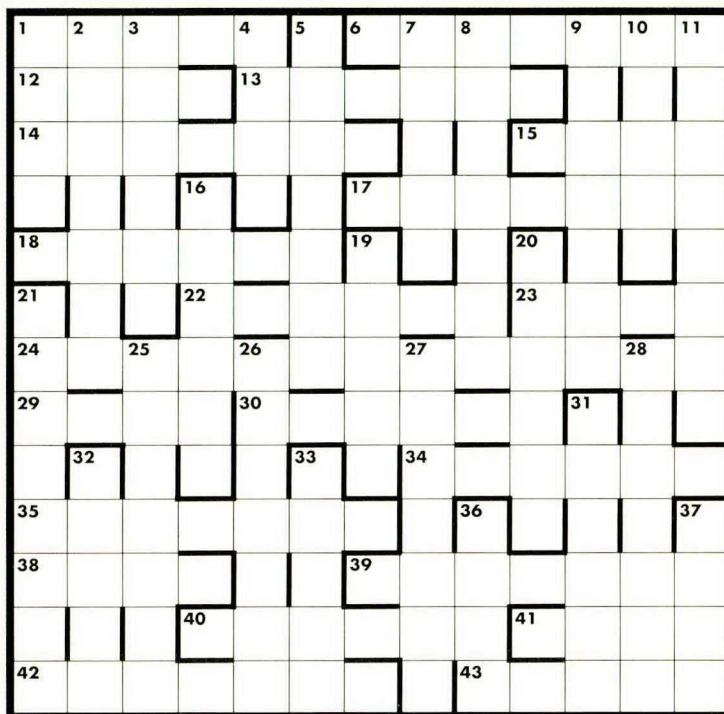


# THE PUZZLER

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## Resolution

Solvers endeavoring to keep the unclued resolution at 24 Across will need to treat some of the answers to this puzzle's clues accordingly before entering them in the grid. The outcome of the resolution may be determined upon completion of the puzzle. Answer lengths, which are not shown, may differ from the lengths of the corresponding grid entries. Five clue answers are capitalized.



The solution to last month's Puzzler appears on page 87.

### Across

1. Bit of offering in cash resolved confusion
6. Mail-order merchant behind that female item in a pod (*two words*)
12. Warning about bishop and prince
13. Retracted question about one Mediterranean island link?
14. Fellow adopting boy's name given name for a girl
15. Insufficient material for a showy outfit
17. Stung, exits the streetcar from the rear?
18. Good general in African land
22. Empty, nested containers
23. Opening sound overheard
29. Losing the foremost champion's love
30. Direct old Broadway hit about island
34. Misconstrued nail to be something to sit on
35. Turning orb; Atlas's burden to bear
38. Instrument is wretchedly bad to some ears

39. Coming into view, river rodent with jagged teeth
40. Withhold rum itself
41. Little bit of power coming from speakers
42. Got rid of load at last, and felt a tingling sensation
43. Weary, even assuming resistance

### Down

1. British river past group of cabins
2. Stop the guy with a thumbs-down (*two words*)
3. Downright cunning about cost
4. Horse with swayback carrying king
5. Intended holding number back
7. After the start, *Evil Eye* is melodramatic
8. Grass snarled seaport
9. Free finally, animal in *Born Free* bounding toward Joy

10. White Russian's last, after derelict put in bar order
11. Superfluous goads by head of state
16. Strip joints, before end of night
19. Interdiction, among others, in Latin country
20. Dwelling within, wrong one confined (*hyphenated*)
21. How do you like that show with Democratic rowdy? (*hyphenated*)
25. Put in order for dark beer, getting otherwise (*two words*)
26. Besides taking two lefts, hit truck stop?
27. Slept fitfully, comprehending about birds
28. Color communications medium for the audience in eating area
31. In space station, I see a woolly material
32. Country chart-topper about a first person, singular
33. Strangely bestial flowering plant
36. Stew's musical bar
37. Charge five hundred for meal

**Note:** The instructions above are for this month's puzzle only. It is assumed that you know how to decipher clues. For a complete introduction to clue-solving, send an addressed, stamped long envelope to The Atlantic Puzzler, 77 North Washington Street, Boston, Mass. 02114.