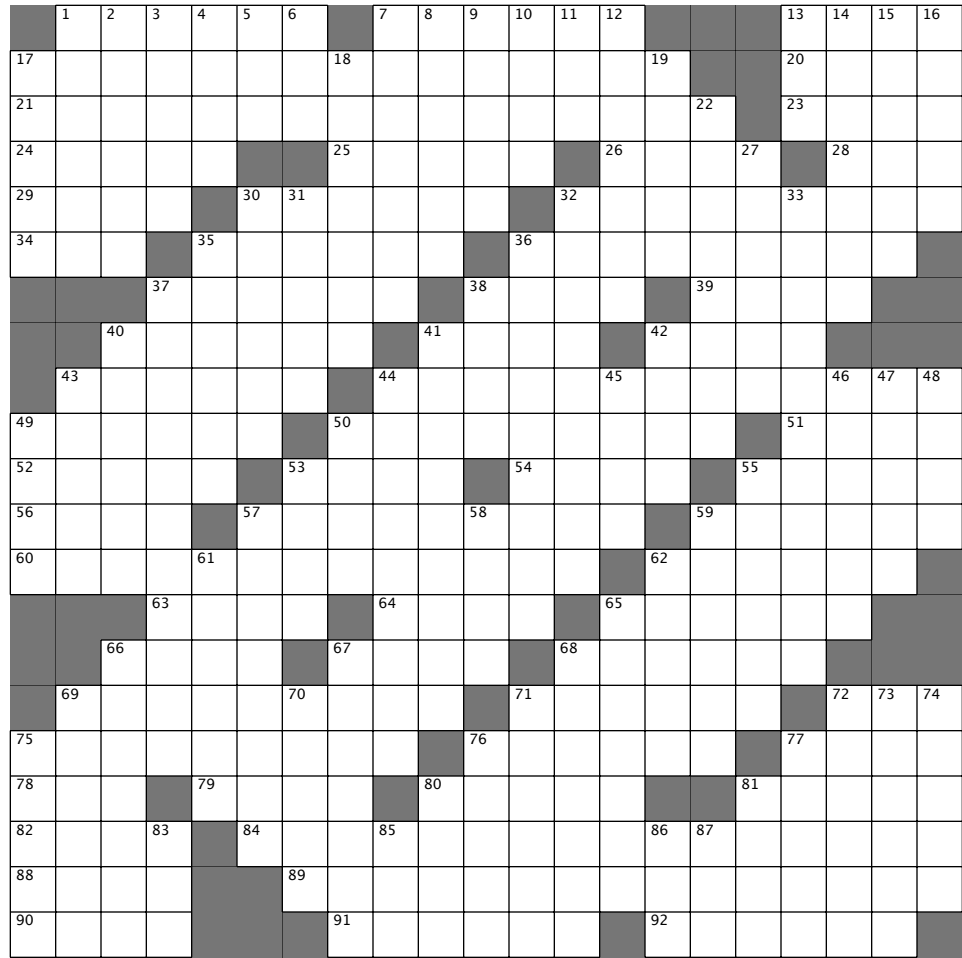


ACROSS

1. Dove alternative
7. Not as much
13. Quid pro quo
17. "No más" situation in chemistry
20. State trolled by North Carolina over its license plate in 2021
21. Design on the Oval Office rug
23. It's magnificent!
24. Hardly delighted
25. Big cat, in Barcelona
26. Opposite of rosy
28. Very, for short
29. Red number
30. Opera alternative?
32. "Nothing's free here" policy
34. 4G ____
35. What'll cost you \$800-plus to rent for a day at the Bellagio
36. Like your best effort
37. Little flocks
38. Author ____ Stanley Gardner
39. Smelling like a "Survivor" contestant
40. "____ You Are" (Nirvana song)
41. Completed, as part of a triathlon
42. Right on the map
43. Publishing imprint with a rooster logo
44. Intimate singing groups
49. The mythical Pleiades, e.g.
50. Urinary health-boosting ingredient



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51. ____ the snoot
52. Phoebe of "Drop Dead Fred"
53. Make a reservation
54. Takes something in
55. Burn a bit
56. Prolific auth.?
57. Metaphor for a tight political matchup
59. Kept occupied
60. Directionally-titled 1854 novel by Elizabeth Gaskell
62. First name on the cover of "Midnight's Children"
63. Drag queen Soa de ____
64. Draggy boats
65. Like boots with no laces
66. DHS subgroup
67. "If I fits, I ____"
68. Hilary who wrote "Wolf Hall"
69. Some old-timey dinnerware
71. Compound in tea or red wine
72. Stole named for a snake
75. Compounds for convalescents
76. She's totally judging you
77. Organ with lobes
78. Slip-____
79. Parisian evening
80. Pledge that's "plighted"
81. ____ plume

82. Refuse to deal with
84. "Stay alert!"
88. Currency that makes news when it's at parity with the U.S. dollar
89. Disconcerting visual "feature" of some TVs
90. Quietly fume
91. Casually enthusiastic?
92. City often seen in "The Sopranos"

DOWN

1. Enticement, metaphorically
2. Chillin'
3. Shows signs of disuse
4. Lake fed by the Sandusky
5. Not to be envied
6. Jeanne d'Arc, e.g.
7. Skincare components
8. Catnip to a puzzler
9. Trunk item
10. Surface to walk on
11. "Hey ____, It's Christmas!" (RuPaul holiday tune)
12. Like a slim lead in the standings
13. Crappy consolation
14. "Me, obvi!"
15. Tries to get

16. Bit of horticulture from the Wicked Witch of the West
17. Fall
18. Memo receptacles
19. Shoe designer ____ Rose
22. Subject matter competence
27. In style
30. Reason not to
31. Letter-shaped construction piece
32. Home of The Breakers
33. Hot pink relief provider
35. French peers
36. Laid-down rhythm
37. Purr's indication
38. Nicole's co-star in "Moulin Rouge!"
40. Ransom note sender
41. Reorgs with layoffs
42. Isn't perfec
43. Gas-X alternative
44. Model train kit items
45. Fashion influencer of 100 years ago
46. Mode also known as a major scale
47. Voice of Pumbaa in "The Lion King" (2019)
48. Had a heavy foot
49. Result in a medical file
50. Lanyard maker's need

53. Rag & ____ (jeans brand)
55. Not hiding one's displeasure
57. Checks something out
58. Dome covers
59. Language group that includes Lithuanian and Latvian
61. Exasperated sighs
62. Muslim, most likely
65. Pitt athlete
66. Certain geologic hazard
67. They provide sound all around
68. Culinary gatekeeper
69. Base shout for attention
70. Brest friends
71. Performers on the move
72. Part involved in a love tap
73. Waiting to swing
74. Plant, perhaps
75. Partner of wine
76. Herder's implement
77. Bath scrubber, variantly
80. Tit for tat, say
81. "u should not read this on ur office computer"
83. Word a procrastinator hates to hear
85. Light touch
86. "____ Can Cook"
87. Big shoe spec