

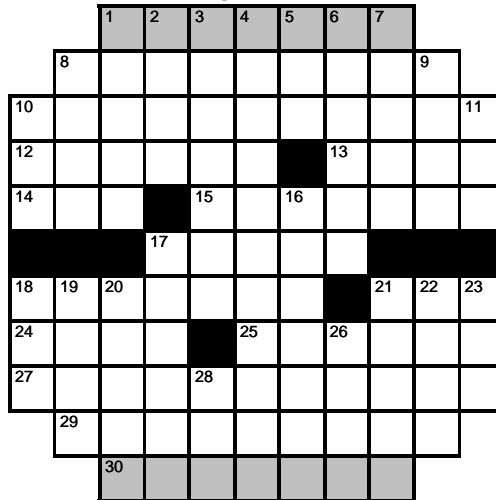


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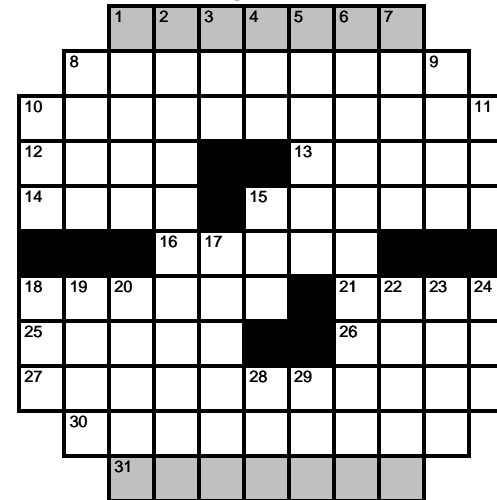
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PUZZLE A



PUZZLE B



PUZZLES A&B

Shaded (Top and bottom Across entries - 1A, 1A, 30A, 31A - in random order)

- About 2 1/2 acres
- Sooner or later
- Guru, e.g.
- Sled dog from Siberia

PUZZLE A

Across

- 8** Volcanic vents
10 Collectors' items
12 "The Practice" actress Manheim
13 Chicken feed
14 1959 hit song with the last line "Et tu, Charlie?"
15 Con man's position?
17 Got down, in a way
18 Hound that doesn't bark
21 HCE's establishment in "Finnegans Wake"
24 For every one
25 Patron of Rick's Café Americain
27 New Ken Burns documentary, with "The"
29 Reserve

Down

- 1** Thomas Aquinas classic, with "the," in brief
2 Classification for Eros and other near-Earth asteroids
3 ___ Thorpe, Christine Baranski's Emmy-winning role on "Cybill"
4 Mixer at a mixer
5 Lout of London
6 Summon
7 "Le Samourai" star
8 Trick
9 They're dubbed
10 Mille nongenti
11 One in a long line at a picnic
16 In sync
17 Stuck with
18 Ball club?
19 Parrot
20 Volume metrics
21 Steep
22 ___ Independent Press Awards
23 Do a trick for a treat
26 Karina of "Bande à Part"
28 "'Mema ___?" (common question at TMZ)

PUZZLE B

Across

- 8** What people are saying
10 Upset
12 Stand for the departed
13 Put an ___
14 Staph augmentation?
15 Least cozy
16 Cruiser's signal
18 Big gaps
21 Niners running back Coffee who retired in August at age 23
25 Marathon world record holder Gebrselassie
26 Dick's partner
27 Title role for Shirley MacLaine, 1963
30 Narcotic roots believed to have magical powers

Down

- 1** Comfortable
2 Counter-productive market feature?
3 Newkirk or LeBeau, on 1960s TV
4 Sylvia Plath's "___ Jilted Lover"

- 5** Not together
6 Part of a routine
7 Bid "top o' the mornin' to ya," e.g.
8 Rival of Wilson and MacGregor
9 Some NFL stats
10 Proponent of "The Big Bang Theory"?
11 2010 T.I. / Keri Hilson hit "___ Your Back"
15 Govt. agcy. since 1862
17 "Vera Drake" Best Actress nominee Staunton
18 Vital force
19 Tort result
20 Target
22 Costas's Olympics cohost in 2008 and 2010
23 Ltr. notation
24 Formerly
28 The Aleutian Islands, geometrically
29 Code word