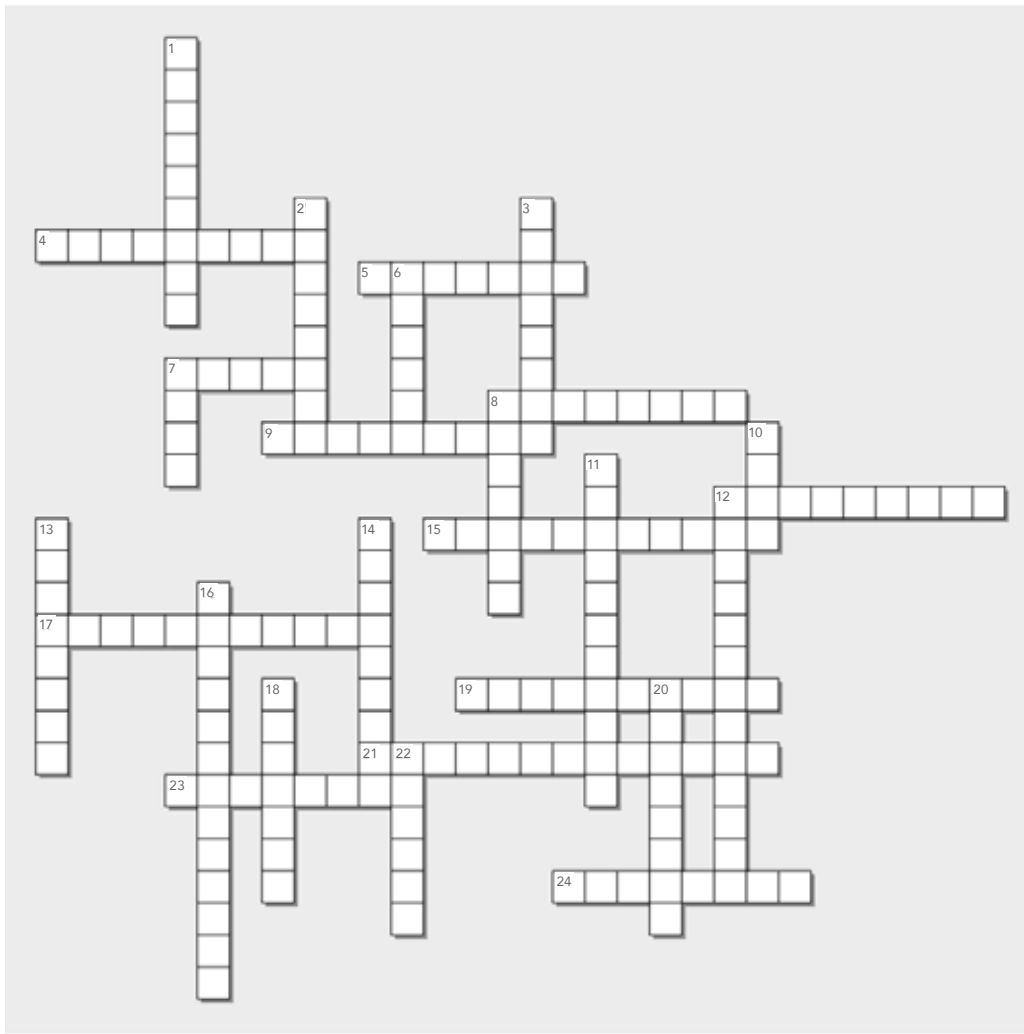


October Surprise

It has been too long since I've created a puzzle. So, surprise! Happy October! The first reader to email me at spoppiti@hotmail.com with the correct answers to this challenging crossword puzzle will win a bottle of red Rhône wine, an ideal pairing for many fall meals. 🍷



DOWN

1. Tripe dish created by Washington's army
2. Brazil's most famous dish
3. Twice baked bread
6. Also called Peking sauce
7. Drier than extra dry
8. Oyster plant
10. You will need it to wrap sushi
11. The richest of Viennese desserts
12. A must for a Kir
13. France's focaccia
14. Let's have a barbecue!
16. Premier pork
18. The salad created at one of New York's finest
20. Citrus fruit used in perfumes
22. Scotch Manhattan

ACROSS

4. I love cheese!
5. Not a cornichon
7. Best rice for paella
8. I can't believe it's not butter!
9. Smoky, sulfurous salt
12. Italian pancake
15. A condiment in Argentina
17. The boss of salads
19. A superior cook
21. White powder that fosters creaminess
23. The hottest of curries
24. A small cake (don't be jealous)



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