

Christmas Crossword 2010 by Qaos



Reading clockwise, the letters on the perimeter will spell out an appropriate message for Christmas day. These letters are not clued cryptically.

Across

- 8** Mean Latin translation (6)
9 After delay, I present for her? (8)
10 Isolation without limit? Clergyman wears it well (8)
11 Doctor can start to operate following heroin fix! (6)
12 Short student enters race on pole (10)
14 Former girlfriend and I go out (4)
15 Rod for measuring luminance twice before dawn breaks (7)
17 Police stage riots on top of prison (7)
20 Gardener's wine? (4)
22 Small thing in small amount (10)
24 Dodger spills tea, say, and gets scolding (6)
25 12 work requires suitable writing (8)
27 One dancing tango number to Italian pipes? (8)
28 Dicky likes this time in Jewish calendar (6)

Down

- 1** Evil far right group lambastes near left (8)
2 A dry centre of wood stain (6)
3 Al Gore regularly makes this type of gin (4)
4 Maybe a high flyer's flamboyance - topless string number? (7)
5 Bond beats up German agent, not a king (10)
6 Leaves container to assemble the case (3,5)
7 Italian fans if nothing is up (6)
13 Left-winger swallows a lot of salt with many fish (4,6)
16 Sneak thief hears fighting far off (5,3)
18 Plant's ripe with ten nuts (4,4)
19 Drink produced from fermented grains (7)
21 Notice a soldier's slow movement (6)
23 Most frequent fliers crash without starting to land (6)
26 Article on Karnak's first hieroglyph (4)