

Cricketers on the menu by Hemical

The grid features a number of Test cricketers whose names either are or contain food items

Across

1 Large mammal in fashionable Italian river (5)

4 Part-edible 1960s/70s cricketer finds fruit in botched raid (9)

9 Detectives hustle energetically towards end results (7)

10 After failure, backing favourite to lose his footing (7)

11 Small chap swallowing fruit is part-edible 2000s cricketer (8)

12 Top player with only a couple of vegetables will die for lack of food (6)

14 Fool wearing disappointed expression to lose consciousness (4,3)

15 State of popular English princess (7)

17 I belong in trouble, being ungentlemanly (7)

19 Meat two-thirds of the way through the day for part-edible inter-war cricketer (7)

21 An expert knows his edible current cricketer (6)

23 Want to get into central part of castle? This water would make it difficult (4-4)

26 Worried gendarme drops resistance in final phase (7)

27 Part-edible 90s cricketer in pictures of goulash? (7)

28 It's normal to come in one by one when using small amounts (9)

29 Diplomat throws mop away, worried about water's ebb and flow (5)

Down

1 Competitors in the Kentucky Derby lose the right to have fire-fighting equipment (5)

2 Pastry followed by short note from part-edible current cricketer (9)

3 Partially confront a rioter in Canada (7)

4 Covering Australia's Northern Territory, gloomy

journalist gets taken apart (10)

5 Edible 80s cricketer to hit Belgium (4)

6 Short film about place toured (7)

7 Bury junior doctor failing to finish (5)

8 Where ships are built with fruit from part-edible 1950s cricketer (9)

13 Pretty girl with a single pigpen is cheating (10)

14 They're inside broken iron press (9)

16 Ideas for a disaster mentioned above (9)

18 Inhabitant of 22

possibly enabling unruly knight to drop out (7)

20 Old film star's carpet showing female sheep (3,4)

22 Admiral regularly supports occupying country (5)

24 Part-edible cricketer (for several countries) having foie gras starter for lunch (5)

25 Part-edible 1990s cricketer has hard to get ingredient of omelettes (4)

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