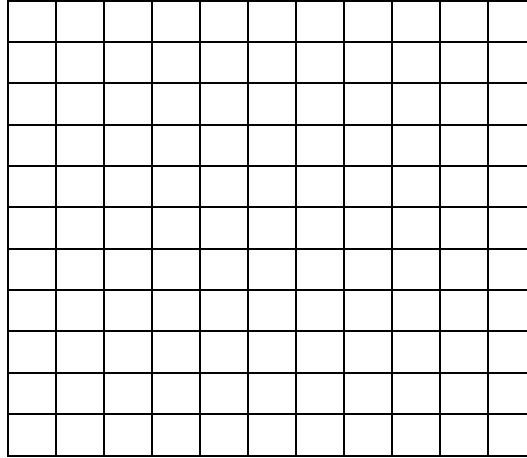


Puzzle #38 — July 2004 "From Russia with Love"

Instructions: Guess the words defined by the cryptic clues (words vary in length from four to eight letters and include two proper names and two foreign words), then enter them in the grid one after another in the same order as their clues, starting in the upper left corner. Across words that don't end at the right margin continue on the next line below; down words that don't end at the bottom margin continue in the next column to the right. Five across words and five down words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is removed. Those ten letters taken in order spell a two-word phrase related to the three mystery entries. As ever, I am indebted to Kevin Wald for help with the clues.



Across

1. *Mystery entry*
2. About a thousand others in old Roman finery
3. Formal inquiry about African country
4. Pet brought back by the Spanish logician
5. Thrifty initiation of action in season
6. Issue eastern fellow had
7. Time to relax and disentangle
8. Shiver in earnest remorse
9. Sea bird caught in trawler net
10. Endlessly growing fruit
11. *Mystery entry*
12. River a star turned back
13. *Hair*-like part has holy man in song
14. Good Latin bachelor meets Japanese artist
15. Part that turns back and forth
16. Number 4 iron going around
17. Choice morsels I'd originally bought are eaten by birds
18. Attend initially to small game
19. Tell about overcharge move
20. Move the core a foot
21. *Mystery entry*

Down

1. Father by report
2. Needs of western colonists
3. Rising eastern cult leader taking up Indian language and atmosphere
4. Have to be seen in Paris
5. Listen to present announcement
6. Violence that's not started by mistake
7. Stalk up to ruminant
8. One secure climbing vine
9. Snob leaves with one of high rank
10. Wash in water in sewer
11. State losing at swimming
12. Keen to get guinea for a moth
13. Waste started rotting in bed
14. Bounce around Rome, mostly
15. Call of thin ungulate
16. Didn't like disfigurement of death
17. God of war devours one ram
18. Café table features cheese
19. Large nerve contains part of chromosome
20. Composer has one time to gorge
21. I'm unfortunately going up for sausage
22. Vehicle carries very old sport
23. Protein from Hawaiian rock
24. Reveal alien in crush