

Acrostic #17—Solution

Anthony Lane, “Look Back in Hunger,” *The New Yorker*, 1995. Republished in *Fierce Pajamas*, Random House, 2001.

. . . Cookbooks really drain my giblets. I buy them . . . and study them . . . and still they make me feel that I am missing out. I . . . cook dinner for my friends, . . . but what they consume at my table bears no more than a fleeting . . . resemblance to the dish that I read about in the recipe.

A A(M+BRO)SIA
B NANCY DREW
C TA(TT)LE
D HOT+TEN+TOT
E OD+Y’S+SEY
F NIG(E)RIA
G Y+ESTER+DAY
H LIB(er)ATION
I A(M)ETHYST (*they sat* anag)
J NASTURTIUM (anag)
K EM+BED
L L+IMITATION
M OFF BASE
N OPT+I+MUM
O KIM+O+NO
P BE(H)E+MOTH
Q AS+HEN
R CHIN(CHILL)A
S KETTLEDRAW (anag)
T ISSUE (hidden in rev)
U NIGHT+MARE
V HATCH+BACK
W U+NDERBELLY (*Derby Nell* anag)
X NEEDED (*kneaded* homophone)
Y G+HO(ST)LY
Z EMBER (hidden)
AA RAKE-OFF (anag)

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