

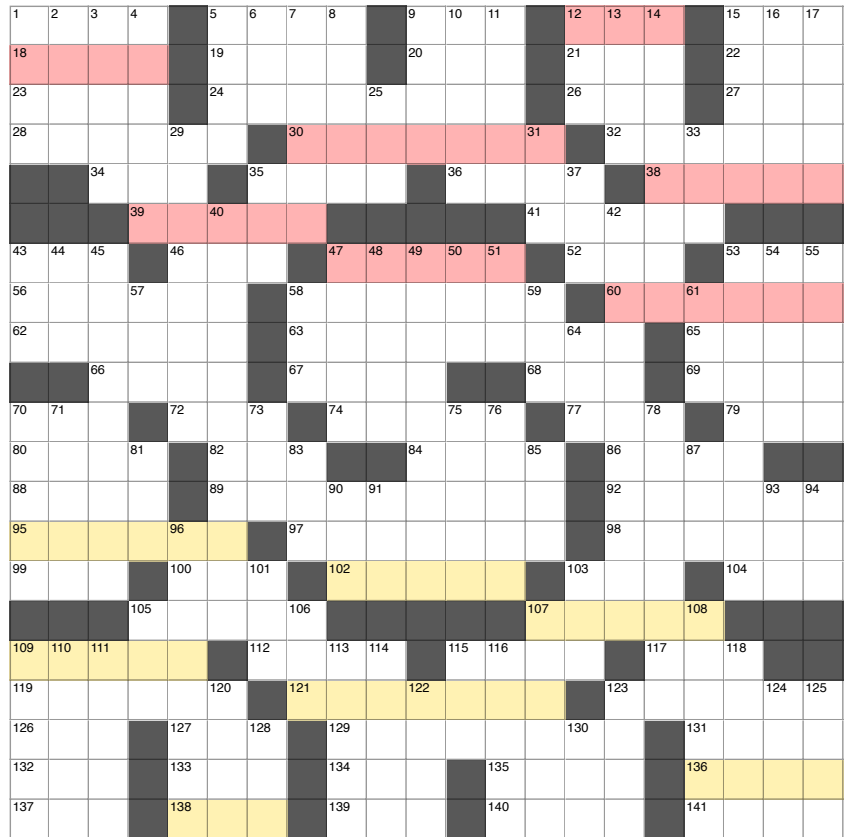
Big Game, Big Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Eastern title
- 5 Multigrain cereal brand
- 9 Uno, duo, ____
- 12 "____ Island" (2024 Zach Bryan Hit)
- 15 Swimmer's unit
- 18 Ponderosa, longleaf, or loblolly
- 19 MasterCard competitor, abbrev.
- 20 Vocal riff
- 21 Play on words
- 22 One of many, for Taylor Swift
- 23 Elects
- 24 Holds, as a drum with oil
- 26 India Pale ____ (oft-abbreviated cirtus brew)
- 27 Theater franchise with a pre-movie Nicole Kidman monologue
- 28 Dangerous African fly
- 30 "You think you just fell out of the ____ tree?" (Kamala Harris quote-turned viral soundbite)
- 32 MBA, PhD, or BA
- 34 ____ de los Muertos
- 35 Common Bay Area late-night food spot, with "The"
- 36 Affirmative response, or a 2004 Usher hit
- 38 Study of trees, with -ology
- 39 Ann ____, Michigan
- 41 Imposter
- 43 Owns
- 46 Guacamole or tzatziki
- 47 Leaf found on a northern neighbor's flag
- 52 Summer, in Marseilles
- 53 Victoria's Secret purchase
- 56 Kindergartener's way to fold a piece of paper
- 58 Tooth enhancements
- 60 Byproducts from those in an orchard
- 62 Pungent, as an odor
- 63 Profound love
- 65 Baseball scoreboard statistic

- 66 Locale for Brunei and Bhutan
- 67 Softest substance on the Mohs scale
- 68 Sunscreen acronym
- 69 Adele's "When We ____ Young"
- 70 Progressive framework for acceptance, commonly seen amongst CRT, SEL and ESG
- 72 Nashville-based accolade org.
- 74 Headlining actors
- 77 Arch Manning, to Peyton Manning
- 79 AI assistant
- 80 "Seasons of Love" musical
- 82 Middle school humanities class, for short
- 84 One from Krakow
- 86 Philosopher Descartes
- 88 Operatic highlight
- 89 Forest flames
- 92 Snow White's seven ____-the-Pooh, beloved A. A. Milne character
- 97 Mom's sisters, informally
- 98 Nicosia's island
- 99 Triathlon stage
- 100 NFL official
- 102 Amy Winehouse's "Back to ____"
- 103 Sweetheart, in slang
- 104 Fr., So., Jr., and Sr.
- 105 Casino staple
- 107 Diametrical
- 109 Study of bears, with -ology
- 112 Twofold
- 115 "Fine by me"
- 117 Scarlet
- 119 Genre for "Schitt's Creek" or "Parks and Recreation"
- 121 Yellowstone bear species
- 123 Archipelago attributes
- 126 Computer science pioneer Lovelace
- 127 Dem.'s counterpart
- 129 Biased, as 100-Across's calls
- 131 One way to run?
- 132 Precious stone



- 133 Compass direction opposite WSW
- 134 French sea
- 135 Shopping center
- 136 Bear or Berra
- 137 Telepathic power
- 138 Flag symbol for Japan, Argentina or Malawi
- 139 "It's ____ from me"
- 140 Young one
- 141 Rice Krispies verb

DOWN

- 1 What X marks
- 2 Veracious body part of Shakira's?
- 3 Threw in a chip
- 4 Greek goddess of the hearth
- 5 Aglet's anchor
- 6 "If it were up to me...", in textspeak
- 7 One working on a picket line?
- 8 Sing the praises of
- 9 Ed, Edd n Eddy, for one
- 10 Like the yolk of an over-easy egg
- 11 Occur afterward
- 12 Greek interjection

- 13 "____ Lang Syne" (New Year's Eve song)
- 14 2010 Zac Brown Band country hit
- 15 Glean
- 16 Equipped for battle
- 17 Indiana athlete, or one leading a 3:00 group in a marathon
- 25 Play part
- 29 Bitterly cynical
- 31 Keg action
- 33 Beckenbauer or Müller's team, on a World Cup scoreboard
- 35 Floor cleaner
- 37 Gardening tool
- 40 Seven-day period building up to a rivalry that started in 1892
- 42 Two schools facing off at a certain Memorial Stadium on November 23
- 43 Newly appointed dept. for RFK
- 44 Abbreviated title for Eren Yeager's anime
- 45 Filtering through a colander
- 47 Olympic tangible
- 48 Chameleon cousin
- 49 Each, in economics

- 50 Michele of "Glee" and "Scream Queens"
- 51 Ending string of letters for a noble gas adjective, or starting string for a Cardinal-turned-Commander tight end
- 53 Bush fruit
- 54 Like '80s video games, now
- 55 Useful resource
- 57 Mattel card game released in 2018
- 58 Large-scale liquid receptacle
- 59 Bro's sibling
- 61 "Kaboom!"
- 64 Add-on to photo, psy or special
- 70 Trait of a Southern accent
- 71 Descriptor for a Great Lake?
- 73 ____ Baba
- 75 Column style
- 76 Streamlined
- 78 Resetting holiday, with "day" or "eve"
- 81 Spend time in the sun
- 83 In the manner of
- 85 Letter before tee
- 87 Afternoon nod

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| 90 A win, or English spoken over an anime | 101 Sustained | 109 Function | 115 Lb. components | 123 Still |
| 91 High school football abbreviation | 103 Word bookending "oh" | 110 Carnival features | 116 Painter of "The Kiss" | 124 Forum garb |
| 93 Mink's coat | 105 Quick shot? | 111 One of these First-Class Mail versions now costs 73 cents | 118 Beelzebub or Beetlejuice | 125 Shout heard when a bad song comes on, on a road trip |
| 94 Conscription org. | 106 Decorative floor fixture | 113 Incense output | 120 Restaurant list | 128 Sword's superior? |
| 96 Mine finds, including hematite | 107 Peanut/caramel candy bar | 114 Wrinkle-prone fabric | 122 Celsius freezing point | 130 (blank clue) |
| | 108 Events like the 4x400m run or the 4x100 Medley | | | |