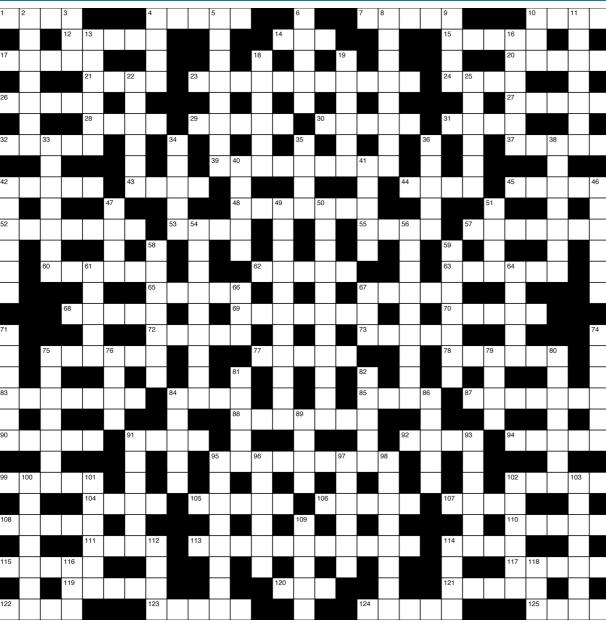
## JUMBO CHRISTMAS DOUBLE CROSSWORD



## **Cryptic Clues**

**Across** 1 From America, kebabs and 1 From America, kebabs and baked food (4)
4 Bash a group of politicians (5)
7 Mark feminine muffler (5)
10 One possibly capturing ten bovine animals (4)
12 A couple of pages with the French fruit (5)
14 and 50 Down. Carol won't tell if hers breaks (3,5,6)
15 Ring gran excitedly, getting a musical instrument (5)
17 First of athletes attractive and keen (5)

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20 Useless person's fruit (5)
21 Just open a container (4)
23 Pantomirne hero, Tom, goes off (6,5)
24 Doctor with a male tot (4)
26 Quantity of paper, say, for a singing group (5)
27 Something not new being oiled, perhaps (5)
28 Records in the fire? (4)
29 Silver and blue, it's emitting a steady light (5)
30 Pebble's weight (5)
31 Lasagne initially found in family's oven (4)
32 Pixies messing up most of sleeve (5)
37 Do physical education before end of day, half asleep (5)
39 Glen distressed one man, being careless (9)
42 To some extent, commiserate with Scrooge (5)
43 Deserters returning with celebrity (4)
44 Nowt new from an urban area (4)

45 Discontented when given food at college (3,2)
48 Diplomatic cult with fat

48 Diplomatic cult with fat converts (7) 52 Not artificial – that's to be expected (7) 53 Knocks back box (4) 55 Chances unusual Spanish starter (4) 57 Ghosts with liquor (7) 60 Eye membrane develops near it (6)

50 Leye membrane develops hear it (6) 62 Stallion with husky, say (5) 63 Performing GI can't, unfortunately (6) 65 Deserves reprimands (5) 67 Trio's organised disturbances (5) 68 Woman identifying nut-tree (5) 69 Lack case Ben repaired (7)

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70 Awfully shy men leaving out
Eastern church songs (5)
72 Member meeting journalist
carrying weapons (5)
73 Notes about conflict with a
companion of Snow White (5)
75 Frugal loner imbibing eight
pints (6)

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77 Heartless spy going round at present, when it's wintry (5)
78 Moneylender certain to be found in the outskirts of

Uttoxeter (6) 83 Copy one friend eating it (7) 84 Fellows initially unhappy with list of dishes (4) 85 Assistant's new idea (4) 87 Person sliding in an indoor

shoe? (7) 88 Kicks first of tenors – awfully shrill (7) 90, 94 and 95 Across. Carol gives them drinkable wine – it's fresh (2,3,5,9) 91 Witty person from the pack? (4)

92 Knock said shawl (4) 94 See 90 Across 95 See 90 Across 99 Second worker with a bringer of presents (5) 102 Silly people with web-footed birds (5)

birds (5)
104 Spoil end of play needing the mother of Jesus (4)
105 Large bag containing new light meal (5)
106 Potato product for councillor is coff (5)

106 Potato productis soft (5)
107 Almost frighten Mark (4)
108 Discard a fragment (5)
110 Relation wanting some fun,

110 Helation wanting some fun, clearly (5) 111 Repeat part of the chorus (4) 113 Weary? Yes, and drunk – it's January 1 (3,5,3) 114 and 38 Down. Choice sweet?

(4,7) 115 Cheroot for GI with car, perhaps (5) 117 Wine put down heavily (5)

119 Number of swans in second flat (5) 120 Drunkard from Minnesota (3) 121 Ten entering ring look at a wild chrysanthemum (5)
122 The man with directions finds

birds (4) 123 Saint eating small confection (5) 124 From church always applaud with shouts (5) 125 See 4 Down

Down
2 Liquor from local, perhaps, found round house (7)
3 Dine in elaborate attire (3)
4 and 125 Across. Repartee about where a partridge was (4,4)

5 With bag, got on moving sledge (8) 6 Not long getting a drink of

spirits (5) 8 Reddish-brown horse in stale joke (8) 9 Female rings head of department

making edibles (4) 10 A person was victorious, reportedly (3)
11 European leader with reason for

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13 Quiet noblemen with gems (6)
16 Type of nut – desperate nomad eats 50 (6)
18 From Plymouth Ron got a

host (6) 19 Crazy lot bet, showing

courage (6) 22 Eccentric sang about the Spanish divine messengers (6) 25 Lifting unfinished dried fruit (6) 33 Guest's face covering – it's incide (7)

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34 Note girl's drinking vessel (5)
35 A lot of money needed for this sweet (4)
36 See 46 Down
38 See 114 Across
40 With directions, attempt to find the way in (5)
41 Many long to include this material (5)

material (5) 42 Boss leaving out a trough (6) 46 and 36 Down. No boss is put off this pantomime (4,2,5)

47 Wise men finding silver in the outskirts of Miami (4) 49 Seasonal vocalist with corgi learns new composition (5,6) 50 See 14 Across 51 Awkward situation for Dot (4)

54 Top men aim to organise a theatrical entertainment (9) 56 Adorned red coat, perhaps, on journalist (9) 58 Lad with gran's elaborate wreath (7) 59 Dwarf's party, almost packed (7) 61 Track royal in gueue (5)

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iacket (6) 75 Singlet designed to shine (7) 76 Tale rewritten after the expected

82 We trapped a saint? 84 Jolly tight? (5) 86 Relay arranged in good time (5)

commercial (3) 67 Blushing socialist (3) 71 Some saw a pitiful deer (6) 74 Man or a kid displaying a 76 Tale rewritten after the expectime (4)
79 Leaders of unruly gangs extremely likely to be unattractive (4)
80 Peer let out when full (7)
81 All musicians initially take up this trendy instrument (5)
82 We trapped a saint? 89 One royal is identifying a flowering plant (4) 91 Place of worship essential to

such urchins (6) 93 Average Conservative with the Spanish package (6) 95 Christmas pastry for me in epic,

possibly (5,3) 96 Rots for a month, say, badly (6) 97 Ruth disturbed quiet songbird (6) 98 Systematic investigation of cars

here, oddly (8) here, oddly (8) 100 A copyist's attribute (7) 101 Current unit used by a

101 Current unit used by a politician before (6)
102 Dwarf initially getting drink, extremely pricey (6)
103 Quiet one left in different scene (7) 109 Graduate with a reason against

meat (5) meat (5) 112 Possesses part of township (4) 112 Possesses part of township (4) 114 Needy pair pocketing rings (4) 116 Donkey found in passport

office (3) 118 Some little tot is allowed to (3)

## **Quick Clues**

ACROSS 1 Baked food (4)

4 Knees-up (5) 7 Item of neckwear (5) 10 Cattle (4) 12 Fruit (5)

14 and 50 Down Christmas

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15 Church instrument (5)
17 Severe (5)
20 Yellow citrus fruit (5)
21 Slightly open (4)
23 Pantomime (6,5)
24 Tot (4)

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26 Group of singers (5)
27 Something not new, informally (5)
28 Sections of tree-trunk (4)
29 Burning without flame (5)
30 Pebble (5)

31 Furnace (4) 32 Pixies (5) 37 One of Snow White's dwarfs (5)

37 One of Śnow White's dw 39 Careless (9) 42 Scrooge (5) 43 Heavenly body (4) 44 Urban area (4) 45 Disgruntled (3,2) 48 Diplomatic (7) 52 Not artificial (7) 53 Fight (4) 55 Probability (4) 57 Strong liquor (7) 60 Layer at the back of the eyeball (6)

eyeball (6) 62 Stallion (5) 63 Performing (6) 65 Estimates (5) 67 Disturbances of the peace (5) 68 Nut-tree (5) 69 Non-attendance (7)

70 Songs of praise (5)
72 Equipped with weapons (5)
73 One of Snow White's seven

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73 One of Snow White's seven companions (5)
75 Eight pints (6)
77 Wintry (5)
78 Moneylender (6)
83 Mimic (7)
84 List of dishes (4)
85 Assistant (4)
87 Indoor shoe (7)
88 Feelings of excitement (7)
90, 94 and 95 Across. Christmas carol (2,3,5,9)
91 Stiff paper (4)
92 Cover with paper (4)
94 See 90 Across
95 See 90 Across
99 Father Christmas (5)
102 Web-footed birds (5)
104 Mother of Jesus (4)
105 Light meal (5)
106 Fried potato slice (5)
107 Blemish (4)
108 Fragment (5)
110 Parent's brother (5)
111 Reflection of sound (4)
113 January 1 (3,5,3)
114 and 38 Down. Rich suet dessert containing fruit (4,7)
115 Cheroot (5)
117 Inferior wine, informally (5)
120 Drunkard (3)
121 Plant with daisy-like flowers (5)
122 "Three French ---, two turtledoves...." (4)
123 Dessert (5)
125 See 4 Down

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2 Ethanol (7)
3 Dine (3)
4 and 125 Across. "...a partridge in a -----" (4,4)
5 Sledge (8)
6 Brief (5)
8 Stale joke, informally (8)

9 Grub (4) 10 Smallest whole number (3)

11 Moving (7) 13 Gems from oysters (6)

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11 Moving (7)
13 Gems from oysters (6)
16 Nut (6)
18 Crowd (6)
19 Narrow-necked container (6)
22 "Hark! the herald --- sing" (6)
25 Dried grape (6)
33 Guest (7)
34 Drinking vessel (5)
35 Vast sum of money (4)
36 See 46 Down
38 See 114 Across
40 Access (5)
41 Synthetic fabric (5)
42 "Away in a ---" (6)
46 and 36 Down. Pantomime (4,2,5)
47 Wise men (4)
49 Seasonal vocalist (5,6)
50 See 14 Across
51 Catch sight of (4)
54 Christmas theatrical entertainment (9)
56 Adorned (9)
58 Wreath (7)
59 One of Snow White's dwarfs (7)
61 Track (5)
64 Interior (5)
65 Unhappy (3)
67 Scarlet (3)
71 North American deer (6)
74 Jacket (6)
75 Shimmer (7)
76 Tardy (4)
79 Unattractive (4)
80 Full (7)
81 All (musicians) (5)
82 Squander (5)
84 Tipsy, informally (5)
86 Ahead of time (5)
89 Coloured part of the eye (4)
91 Place of worship (6)
95 Christmas pastry (5,3)
96 Rots (6)

93 Package (6) 95 Christmas pastry (5,3)

96 Rots (6)
97 Songbird (6)
98 Systematic investigation (8)
100 Attribute (7)
101 Unit of electric current (6)
102 One of Snow White's

dwarfs (6) 103 Absence of sound (7) 109 Pig meat (5) 112 Possesses (4) 114 Impoverished (4)

118 Allow to (3)



33 Visitor; 34 Glass; 35 Mint; 36 Boots; 38 Pudding; 40 Entry; 41 Mylon; 42 Manger; 46 Pusses in; 47 Magit; 49 Carol singer; 50 First Nowell; 51 Spot; 54 Parthomine; 56 Decorstated, 58 Garland; 59 Bashful; 61 Trail; 64 Inner; 66 Sad; 67 Red; 71 Waptit; 74 Anorak; 75 Glisten; 76 Late; 79 Ugly; 80 Replete; 81 Turli; 82 Waste; 94 Menry; 86 Early; 89 Ins; 91 Church; 93 Parcel; 95 Mince pie; 96 Decays; 97 Thrush; 98 Research; 100 Ascribe; 91 Church; 97 Parcel; 98 Mince pie; 96 Decays; 97 Thrush; 98 Research; 116 Ass; 118 Let. 101 Ampere; 102 Grumpy; 103 Silence; 109 Bacon; 112 Owns; 114 Poor; 116 Ass; 118 Let.

88 Thrille; 90 In the; 91 Card; 92 Wrap; 94 Bleak; 95 Midwinter; 99 Santa; 102 Geese; 114 Cho; 113 Mew York Snack; 106 Crisp; 107 Scar; 108 Scrap; 110 Uncle; 111 Echo; 113 Mew Year's Day; 114 Plum; 115 Clagar; 117 Plonk; 119 Seven; 120 Sot; 121 Cheer; 125 Tree; 125 Sweet; 124 Cheer; 125 Tree; 125 Sweet; 124 Cheer; 125 Tree; 10 Onc; 12 Mens; 125 Mere; 125 Sweet; 124 Cheer; 125 Tree; 125 Sweet; 125 Sweet; 125 Tree; 125 Sweet; 125

SOLUTIONS – ACROSS: 1 Cake; 4 Party; 7 Scart; 10 Oxen; 12 Apple; 14 The; 15 Organ; 17 Ab cute; 20 Lemon; 21 April; 32 Elege; 38 Loge; 24 Aglow; 30 Stone; 31 Kilin; 32 Elves; 37 Dopey; 39 Valori; 27 Oldie; 52 Aglow; 30 Stone; 31 Kilin; 32 Elves; 37 Dopey; 39 Vagolis; 57 Spirits; 60 Belina; 64 Town; 45 Fed up; 48 Tactil; 53 Elves; 67 April; 69 Absence; 70 Hymns; 72 Armed; 73 Elves; 67 Across; 72 Armed; 73 Elves; 67 Across; 74 Armed; 75 Callon; 77 Snowy; 78 Usurer; 83 Imitate; 84 Menu; 85 Aide; 87 Slipper; 73 Dwarf; 75 Callon; 77 Snowy; 78 Usurer; 83 Imitate; 84 Menu; 85 Aide; 87 Slipper;