

# Luminance Lockdown Puzzle

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After filling the grid, use an appropriate colour to join the crosses with six straight lines and an ellipse, thereby revealing a familiar figure.

## Across

- 1 Breathed out and contract after the termination date, perhaps? (7)
- 5 Square - these numbered positions missing from gunship (5)
- 8 Messed up parking and left slip-off shoes (4-5)
- 9 Peak returns in pocket (3)
- 10 Unsupervised learner goes for new rope (5)
- 12 Large plant from which bows were yet constructed (3,4)
- 13 Stir up the nice silent country (13)
- 15 Took test: add apple initially and another fruit (7)
- 17 Readily available Patent Number returned, in brief (2,3)
- 19 Rule without king of Rome (3)
- 20 Stick around widescreen cinema for ending (9)
- 22 Plant unused geraniums inside (5)
- 23 Move half-hearted siestas back for principles (7)

## Down

- 1 The spanish fluke is small (5)
- 2 Old letter gives pressure briefly (3)
- 3 On quiet, first official update of webpage (7)

- 4 Removing life from yoga and extending confusion (13)
- 5 Universal directions to undo stitching (5)
- 6 Thy expert unconventionally provides link (9)
- 7 Postman with flier for model (7)
- 11 Required too much of daughter after public dismissal (9)
- 13 Luminances give disruptive results (7)
- 14 *New Maths* and *Fourth Tier AI*, say, find function in hospitals (7)
- 16 Relative pronoun clearly hidden within (5)
- 18 Play-goers regularly left out sheets (5)
- 21 Diamonds are made from insects without luminance (3)

