## Oct. Gone

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In the spirit of this holiday weekend, many of the clues here involve disguise: Where the answer has a particular pair of letters (the same in every case), the cryptic part will yield only the single letter that pair is "disguised as" (which varies). In order to fit the allotted space and the crossing entries, you must enter the disguised version (which will not necessarily be a word) in the grid. But be sure to label the disguised square (by shading, circling, or the like) for future reference; this label may be considered a 22 Across.

When you have found the complete set of disguised clues, reading their first letters in the logical order will reveal another seasonal item involving disguise; reading their last letters in that same order will tell you what to read in the undisguised clues (in clue order) to get further instructions. By following these, you can find out where this item was recently seen.


## ACROSS

1. Starts to verify every questionable enterprise Diana did endow
2. German woman beginning to utter barking sound when somersaulting
3. Viewing males and females as unequal, finally divide "unknown" into "sis" or "bro"
4. Eccentric URL fit someone who might play a piccolo
5. Ailing swallows head to animal shelter suitable for a palomino
6. Author of this puzzle note unveiled a small hint
7. Knowledge about heart of Maria Ugarte's portrayer in Casablanca
8. Fled from white and green Tolkien creature
9. Some wood and samarium spilled by corporations
10. Individual dance move twisted muscle in the chest
11. Gem box abandoned by excellent evangelist of old ( $2 w d s$.)
12. Legendary actress West is a Pole
13. Ezra's second to interrupt Mr. Solo with a bunch of poetic lines
14. Four characters in Korea lecture Mr. Guinness
15. Made changes to river Edward I had
16. Trimmed English yew or oak is to be Frenchified
17. To fix wages after Sunday
18. Romantic partner you finally married fought in a manner chivalric
19. Romance set in spa detailed acrobatic maneuver
20. Conduct attacks on vacuous Rita with finger
21. Mr. Starr bared arm before stuffing game

## DOWN

1. Airily walk - or, in Vermont, almost run
2. Eta drifts rightward
3. Comforter perhaps for Nero, who left Troy
4. Longhorn maybe upset Rush
5. Active hack beheaded radical
6. Again point north, bub
7. Assign culpability to endlessly strong wind
8. Assembles cloth suits worn by a revolutionary Argentinian
9. Sordid East Vermont location where people ski
10. Lori \& Jay thrashed a supporter of a hereditary chief
11. Vicious lies Mr. Flanders tried to hear
12. Existential unease of half of Anzacs taking in game
13. Lady clothed by Eisenhower in fiber that cordage is made from
14. One czar's first daughter escaping Communist plot
15. They bite more than one aide (abbr.)
16. Imbibers may suck on them first to stay alert when heels-over-head
17. After twirling staff into Xena's right side, get decked
18. Don't permit pair of Ephesians to embrace most of you
19. Way to get inside and cross over
20. Number about one strip of citrus peel
21. Perverse, semi-gauche relative of a wapiti
