## Christmas Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS

3 Work would start again after the Twelve Days of Christmas on this day.
7 How many ingredients did the minced pie contain?
9 A commoner would be chosen to play this role and preside over the Christmas revelry.
13 A drink made from mixing hot cider, sherry or ale, apples and spices.
15 This almond paste was iced or gilded and made into shapes and structures.
17 This was brought into the home and decorated with ribbons on Christmas Eve.
19 A sort of porridge made from cracked wheat soaked in ale, spices like cinnamon, nutmeg and ginger, and currants, beaten egg and cream.
20 This drink or dessert was made from cream, white wine, sugar, sherry, nutmeg and lemon.
21 St Nicholas, whose feast day is celebrated on 6th December, was Bishop of
22 The feast day of this saint is on 21st December, the Winter Solstice.

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1 The traditional roast enjoyed on Christmas Day in Tudor times.
2 This was the official start of the Twelve Days of Christmas.
4 This feast commemorating the massacre of the baby boys which King Herod ordered in Bethlehem is 28th December.
5 A sweet made from milk, sugar and rose-water.
6 Decorations would be left up until this day.
8 In Tudor times, it was traditional to choose a choirboy to play this role over the Christmas period.
10 The Feast of the Immaculate Conception refers to the conception of .....
11 St Nicholas is the patrons saint of sailors, merchants, archers, repentant thieves, brewers, pawnbrokers, students and .......
12 The Feast of St Stephen on 26 th December is now known as $\qquad$ . in the UK.
14 Medieval and Tudor people would decorate their homes with this.
16 This begins on the Sunday nearest to the Feast of St Andrew the Apostle.
18 The "minced pye" was rectangular to symbolise Christ's .......

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