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Across

- 1 Piece round prow's buckled strong spar (8)
- 7 Dry cask containing minimum of rosé (4)
- 10 Entangle a quill mostly damaged and mostly corroded (10)
- 11 Tutor shortened Caribbean ballad (5)
- 12 Lady, not one poorly inside, in pond (7)
- 14 Mineral, 3-pin plugged (8)
- 15 Large vessel going round sea (not river), immense tract (4)
- 17 Hat and bra disposed of in large country (6)
- 18 Writer involved in a diet, complicated – it consists of five ingredients (8)
- 20 Recurrent refrain – see second note before favourite finish (8)
- 21 Strike alerts Russian workers' guilds (6)
- 24 Sins? Regular features in terrorism (4)
- 25 A bit of a kip, diffident, I've abandoned? Unsuccessful criminal effort (8)

- 27 Ferny scales chaps cut into NZ tree (7)
- 28 Style of jacket, male, kept in vessel coming back (5)
- 29 Urinates, ie messily, in a row (10)
- 30 Foreign sparrow that is lost in boggy ground (4)
- 31 Plant genus completely surrounded by a wire twisted (8)

Down

- 1 Dislodge family avoiding clown (4)
- 2 Work with rubber, reverse of ideal, in Covent Garden stuff? (10, 2 words)
- 3 Deep-red apple from Spain we crushed, ... (7)
- 4 ...in cheap wine stink, litre bottled (5)
- 5 China grass is leaning in cocked hat (8)
- 6 Bullrush in spa cut from flattened spoon (4)
- 7 Mild cheese pales when grated busy fellow swallows (8, 2 words)
- 8 Sun before night shortened beacon? (5)

- 9 Such as Circe, inane and curt within similarly truncated (8)
- 13 One aunt, uncommon, I'll follow, as the case indicates (10, 3 words)
- 15 Hellebore plant HM placed in vessel, unusual (8)
- 16 Grig found in lock, bare maybe (8)
- 17 Gal, a bint with fringe dressed, cut square across (8)
- 19 Wind that's partly southern or thermal (7)
- 22 Woollen material I included in circular caps (5)
- 23 Meat maybe about noon, dark red in colour (5)
- 25 Gradual decline, first to last, again (4)
- 26 Fish for eel down under – it's prickly (4)