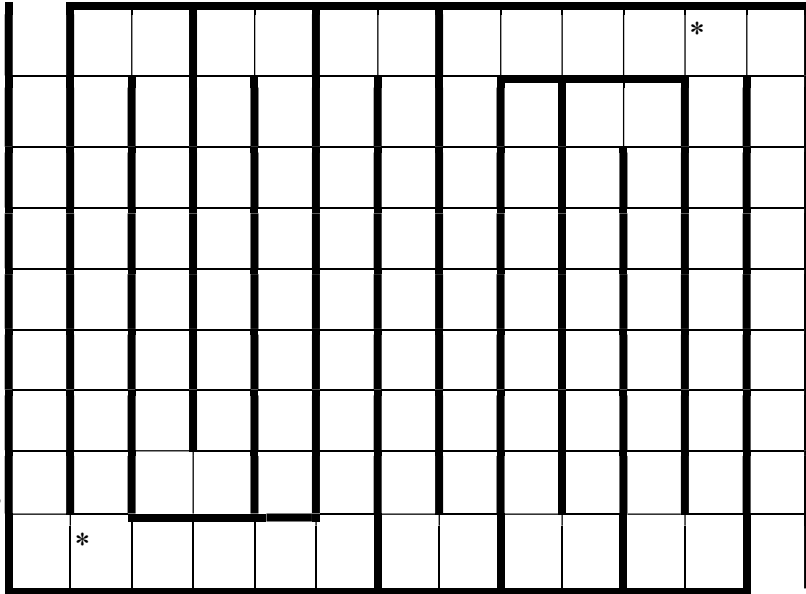


Guest Puzzle #59 – July 2015 "Labyrinth" (by Gail Findlay)

Instructions: Answers to the clues vary in length from four to nine letters, and three are capitalized. Enter answers to across clues from left to right starting in the upper left corner and disregard the heavy bars; words that don't end at the right continue on the next row. Enter answers to maze clues starting in the upper left corner and follow the path unobstructed by heavy bars. The path bifurcates at the two cells marked by an asterisk (and by arrows at the relevant clues) resulting in two side paths, the first going up, the second going down, each leading to a mystery entry at a dead end. Two



words share the letter occupying each of the marked cells. Maze answers go in all directions – up, down, left, right – and some turn corners. Seven across words and five maze words won't fit in the grid unless one of their letters is omitted. Those twelve letters, taken in order as they occur in across and maze words, spell a two-word phrase related to the mystery entries.

Across

1. Delphic horoscope obscures deific flow
2. Refigure secants to ascertain rises
3. Study diplomacy to make connection
4. Son deposing mother in the near future will cause grief
5. Big birds bothered others [sic]
6. Golden waste in adulterated tea
7. Unpopular guests having quarrel
8. Return diaper to get reimbursed
9. Magnify part of complex alteration
10. Independent son took legal action to get released
11. Excitement peaked after curtailment of the resistance
12. Snakes shedding skin, freed at last, but exposed
13. Shark running amok
14. Democrat adamant about concealing facts
15. Oil spoiling back of Albertson's meat section
16. Anxiety fouls up senses
17. Watch: oleo cooks evenly
18. Stun gun aroused tears
19. This disturbed the Dark Lords
20. Hints without fifty prompts
21. Publicity in time for press
22. Salinger's title character seems endlessly confused
23. Eats furiously to assuage hunger

Maze

1. Appoint elites to capture military info
2. Unhinged WC's empty
3. ↑ Hide inside cavernous kingdom
4. Biting pastry
5. Tea and spices—an endless succession
6. Towering soldier stands by diminutive colony member
7. Spilled sack and barrel
8. Patsy cried out for relief
9. *Mystery entry*
10. → Priests converted fairies
11. Apply bandages around middle of wound to create pressure
12. Nearby courtyard
13. Regent to communicate with a thousand instead of ten
14. Barely forced Dee to take Kelvin back
15. Mother and father aren't within the bounds of politeness
16. ↓ Fossil fuel surrounds a river in China going around the same point
17. Women, after wild chase, get a nut
18. Complicated rete is a system with branches
19. News from below or directly
20. Dispatch Henry for a week in barren land
21. *Mystery entry*
22. → Outlay initially calculated on sum total
23. Using every available resource to return your pot in Mexico