

Tricky Treats

ACROSS

- 1 Strategic maneuver
- 7 Scott Baio's "Happy Days" role
- 13 Just like that
- 15 Not as smooth
- 16 Connects with
- 17 Generally speaking
- 18 Some sorority vowels
- 19 When the WSJ meta drops, in Denver
- 21 Knee tear areas, for short
- 22 "Rich ___, Poor ___" (self-help book)
- 23 Vowel-heavy papal name
- 24 Dennings of "2 Broke Girls"
- 25 In a flawed way
- 30 Noted husband-and-wife paleo-anthropologists
- 32 Pumpnickel-flavored creation from a microbrewer
- 35 Hindu text that's two men's names in reverse
- 36 Sword-shaped, as a leaf
- 37 Like Steven Wright's humor
- 38 Mudbug, by another name
- 42 Chekhov's weapon
- 43 Pub potable
- 44 Big fans
- 45 Boston summer hrs.
- 46 Staircase post
- 48 Liquid used to cure fish
- 49 They're worn on a road trip
- 51 ___ Speedwagon
- 53 Gear tooth
- 54 Chopped down
- 57 Angel hair in your mouth
- 61 Name hidden in "Her Majesty"
- 65 Donkey Kong and Diddy Kong, for example
- 66 Dubai dignitaries
- 67 New Mexico art colony
- 68 22-Across of Ada and Tilghman
- 69 Grammy winner Jones
- 70 Blows away

DOWN

- 1 Like some floors
- 2 Baker with eight Grammys
- 3 Conifer found in swampy areas or heaths

The meta answer is 9 letters long.

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- 4 Sounds of disapproval
- 5 Connections
- 6 Livestock enclosure for black cows, perhaps
- 7 Annual period for the Sun's orbit around the Milky Way
- 8 Mao's successor
- 9 Taj Mahal city
- 10 Aero pilot who broke the Mach-1 "sound barrier" in 1947
- 11 Extremely, in slang
- 12 Said the lawyer who placed his satchel on the table: "___ my case!"
- 14 Abilities of the Avengers
- 15 Swashbuckler's implement
- 20 "That's gotta hurt"
- 26 NYSE or NASDAQ
- 27 Finely woven fabric
- 28 Looks after
- 29 Kilo's 2.2
- 30 Forrest Gump's C.O.
- 31 Country/rock singer Steve
- 33 Musical practice piece
- 34 Leases out
- 39 clark.e.tripe@___com (my ISP for over 30 years)
- 40 Like Steven Wright's humor
- 41 Dead head?
- 47 Young partner in auditing?
- 50 Porter's "___ Kick Out of You"
- 52 Ready for customers
- 53 "Man in Black" singer
- 54 Cuban sandwich ingredient
- 55 Clean Water Act org.
- 56 Like a fresh coat of paint
- 58 Latin lovers say this
- 59 Knight's title
- 60 La-la lead-in
- 62 Like unprocessed data
- 63 Curly poker?
- 64 "Kick ___ Women" (book series by Karen Karbo)