

Crossword
2542: Wider II
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Nine unclued lights (all real words) are the names of 35A with one letter misprinted. The correct letters match those that will appear in the shaded squares.

12x12 crossword grid with numbered squares and shaded cells.

- Across
13 Plastic strap on spade? (10, two words)
14 Truly no rector is transparent (5)
15 Eucharist united a victim in pieces (8)
17 Polish glossy (5)
18 Clue upset Pat (3)
19 Alloy in metal ring nothing squashes (7)
20 Colette's husband takes against physicist (7)
21 Save nice moose after injury (9)
24 Last of these goods are mine (3)
29 Bird shuns rook in trouble (3)
37 US city scours Delaware for trendy anthem (7)
38 Sound personal trainer good lord engaged (7)
39 Aunt from Santiago? (3)
41 Priest catches one fish, one that's ferocious (5)
42 Scheme member with money in powdered pigment (8)
43 Put shortly, sun's out and one's outside (5, two words)
44 Red hen tall lark fascinated (10)
45 More stingy Arab never entertains (6)

- 8 Type of road a trailer roves (8)
9 Unwinding I do in remote folly (6)
10 Sugar inside fritter cat got at (7)
11 Lecturer denied aquiline cuckoo gets glanders (7)
16 Some impala eat side petals (4)
22 African soldier climbing Indian tree (4)
23 Gold brick rascal nicked (4)
24 EMI dealt with no-one by that name (8, two words)
27 Vertebrate from Armenia I comment about (7)
28 Short andantinos in lost works - they're worth recording (7)
30 Very big chap snubbed merry Turk (7)
31 Sort of Champagne Charlie passing overhead (7, hyphenated)
32 Pair dodge work (7)
33 Monarch in tight suit has slender neck (7)
34 Hard worker drops fine kitchen utensil (6)
35 Trustee plucked fruit for Virginia's youngster (4)
36 A little pinnie happy Alice folds (6)

40 What field marshal holds court? (4)
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- Down
2 Kill flower with pointed tool (7, two words)
3 City imports most of cheese by aircraft (7)
5 Dope maybe corporal hid in tree (6)
6 Biting cold permeates hand (4)

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