Puzzlingly Familiar

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ACROSS

1 Salt-N-Pepa classic with the lyrics "Here I go, here I go, here I go again / Girls, what's my weakness?"
6 Provide with gear
11 Some eastern Europeans
16 Celebrity chef Hall
17 ___ cum laude
18 Not a fake
19 Touring band's list of requirements for performance
20 California's state flower
21 Make amends
22 Four-stringed instrument, briefly
23 Like a dangerous road
25 Ryman Auditorium show, familiarly
27 Manhattan ingredient
28 College treasurer
30 "Building a Mystery" singer McLachlan
32 Inclusive second-person pronoun
33 Where you'd see this grid design
36 Consumer of Gerber products, most likely
39 "___ to ___" (1980 classic by 38-Down)
40 Queasy feeling
44 Fuss
45 Hot take preceder, electronically
46 Brimless tasseled hat
47 Caps Lock neighbor
48 Muppet who recorded the album "Ol' Brown Ears Is Back"
50 Many a song on "Ol' Brown Ears Is Back"
53 Atlanta university
55 Succinct
56 Yogurt-based condiment
57 Goes for strikes and spares
58 Disreputable
59 Surrealist Max
60 Plays by the rules

DOWN

1 Scour
2 Japanese poem / Often printed as one line / Traditionally
3 Select from a menu
4 Descriptor for 25-Across
5 Outcast
6 Catch a glimpse of
7 Quid pro __
8 Person at the plate
9 They're not domestic
10 Website for transferring money
11 Perform a killer stand-up set
12 Allow
13 ___ Spa (oddly named Stamford Marriott amenity, since it's not a large open public space)
14 Record material
15 Rust Belt product, historically
24 Alfredo sauce ingredient
26 River connecting Geneva and Arles
29 Barnyard dwelling
30 Phi Beta Kappa type
31 "Take your stinking paws off me, you damn dirty ___!" (iconic movie dialogue of 1968)
32 Second-person pronoun
34 Off of the boat
35 Structure that allows one to "be indoors and out of doors all at once," per John Mulaney
36 Cutting remarks
37 Really love
38 "Life on Mars?" singer
41 Abolitionist novelist Harriet Beecher
42 Ahead of schedule
43 Deep pit
45 Questionable
46 No-hitter or hat trick
49 Had more points
51 Loud to-do
52 "Don't Dream ___ Over" ('80s pop classic)
54 Unruly crowd