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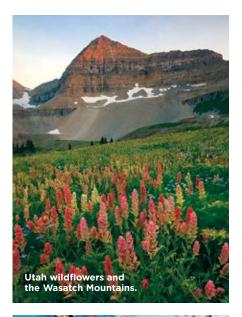
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Each listing in this directory includes key specialties to help you identify experiences that suit your preferences and abilities. Use these keys to find activities that interest you, then contact your Virtuoso travel advisor to learn more.



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There's a reason the classics are the classics. But with chart-topping popularity comes the strain of overcrowding: stress on fragile environments, landmarks, and local infrastructure - and an annoying lack of elbow room. Seasoned adventure travelers know how best to see the favorites, visiting in the offseason, taking two wheels, and hiking hidden trails. Here, a fresh look at crowd-pleasers, contrasted with less-explored counterparts that are just as fascinating and fun - proof that when it comes to where to go next, there's always a new hit to discover.

# BETS <u>-</u>2

For every on-repeat destination, there's a place less traveled (and just as cool).

BY KIMBERLEY LOVATO

Sognefjord cuts 127 miles through Norway, and (below) glassy water ready for ripples in



### **PLAY IT AGAIN** ALASKAN ADVENTURE 🕈

The Last Frontier's network of waterways carved by glaciers millions of years ago tops the expedition-cruise to-do lists of many travelers. Sprawling across 3.3 million acres, Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve is the place to find fjords and forests, not to mention whales, porpoises, sea lions, and bald eagles. "Take a cruise to get up close and personal, or a tour itinerary to view the amazing grizzlies on the Kenai Peninsula," says Virtuoso travel agency owner Angela Wallace.



"From the fjords to Svalbard, Norway cruises reveal majestic scenery and charming port towns," says Virtuoso agency owner Jenny Westermann. Photo fodder: the country's southwestern coastal region, where deep blue inlets cut into mountains to form the country's famous inlets. A cruise or kayak into Geirangerfjord, a 62-mile-long behemoth of 5,000-foot gneiss walls and waterfalls, is essential, as is sailing through the 127-mile-long Sognefjord, which crosses three preservation areas. Norway's small towns make good springboards for outdoor adventures and visits to see medieval wood-stave churches around Bergen, and to Haugesund, homeland of Norway's Viking kings, who ruled the country between AD 800 and 1066.

Remote Kuélap valleys hide sixth-century ruins and (below) Machu Picchu attracts more than a million visitors each year.

## PLAY IT AGAIN MACHU PICCHU PILGRIMAGE ✓

Shrouded in mystery - and often in mist - at 7,972 feet in Peru's Andes, the sprawling fifteenth-century Incan citadel induces awe with its temples, terraces, and huge blocks of stone. Many arrive via train from Cuzco, about 70 miles away, or stay the night in nearby Aguas Calientes. Hardier types can hoof it for several days along the breathcapturing Inca Trail. Even better: Hike the lesser-known Salkantay and Lares routes, says Virtuoso agency owner Cristina Buaas. The UNESCO World Heritage site enforces strict visitation rules, including advanceticket purchase, set entrance times, and mandatory guides. July and August are usually busy, as are Sundays, when Cuzco Province residents can visit the site for free.





## UP NEXT KUÉLAP EXPLORATION

The fortress of Kuélap, which sits at 9,842 feet in northern Peru, predates Machu Picchu by nearly a millennium. "It's hard to believe the Kuélap ruins, and the whole region of Chachapoyas, have remained so untouched," says travel advisor Geordie McDonald. "More bromeliad flowers grow on the trees than people visit each day." Overlooking the Utcubamba Valley, some 400 ruins spread over more than 1,100 acres here. Until recently, the walled complex was a four-hour hike or bumpy 90-minute bus ride from the village of Nuevo Tingo, but a cable car that opened in 2017 streamlines the ascent to 20 minutes.



(MACHU PICCHU) RICHARD JAMES TAYLOR. (KUÉLAP) DAVID PASSERAT/GETTY IMAGES







A kingly encounter in the Maasai Mara National Reserve, Kenya, and (below) a Bengal tiger and her cub at Bandhavgarh National Park, India.

## PLAY IT AGAIN KENYA'S "BIG FIVE" BOUNTY ♠

Kenya reliably delivers the African safari of daydreams, with its vast savanna and majestic wildlife. The variety of landscapes shines here, from the grassy plains and gentle hills of the Maasai Mara National Reserve, home to the great wildebeest and zebra migration between June and October, to safaris in Amboseli National Park with Mount Kilimanjaro as the backdrop. Daily game drives reveal the "big five" (lion, leopard, rhinoceros, elephant, and Cape buffalo), as well as gazelles, hippos, giraffes, and warthogs. Joshua Bush, a Virtuoso agency owner, recommends off-season stays (March through May and October through December) for more-intimate treks, and visiting conservancies, which are privately run, for more-flexible game viewing than public parks can offer. "The Mara North Conservancy is a personal favorite," he says.



### UP NEXT WILD FOR INDIA ♠

Travelers have long flocked to India for the Tai Mahal, the Amber Fort, and Humayun's Tomb. But it's also a rising wildlife destination, says Virtuoso advisor Kemi Wells. While elephants, rhinos, reptiles, and 1.300 bird species draw visitors, it's the regal Bengal tiger that makes India a safari star. "India has one of the biggest and safest tiger habitats around the world," Wells says. Of the country's 50 sanctuaries, Bandhavgarh National Park has one of the highest densities of tigers in the 40 square miles of the park open for tours, and the 514-square-mile UNESCO World Heritage site Sundarbans National Park counts around 100 Bengals. If you can stand the heat, visit between March and June, when the striped cats seek out pools of water to cool down, making them much easier to spot.





## "I believe we should travel,

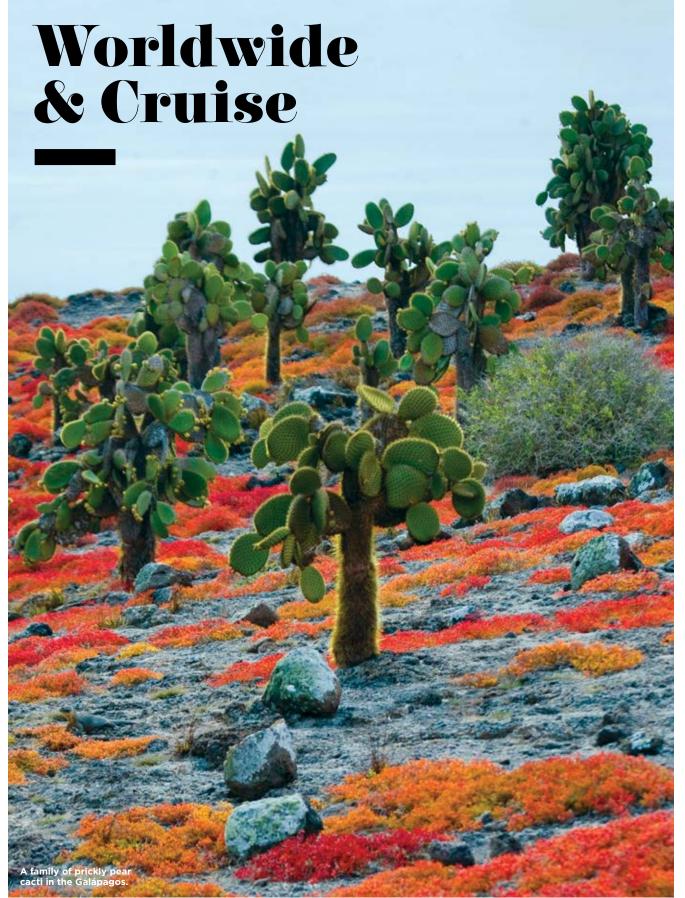
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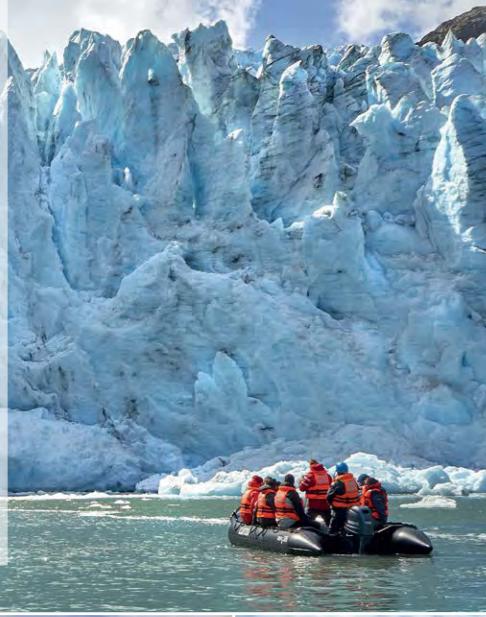




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## IT'S A GOOD, GOOD WORLD

An introduction to the three pillars of sustainable travel and an interview with Virtuoso's Costas Christ on why you should care.

Travel's sustainable revolution is well under way. What began decades ago as a movement on the geographical and political fringes of the tourism sector has grown into an industry-wide ethos, grounded in the three pillars of sustainable tourism: **protecting the environment, celebrating natural and cultural heritage, and providing social and economic benefit to local people.** Travel affords us so many luxuries, but perhaps the most profound is the chance to make the world a better place.

### At its core, travel is about

experiencing the world's natural and cultural treasures. So it only makes sense that those of us who love to travel should also be committed to doing everything we can to protect the very places we go on holiday. Traveling sustainably is vital so that future generations will be able to experience the enjoyment. wonder, and fascination of our planet. When we know our trip is helping to protect the planet and helping local people to improve their lives, it makes any vacation that much better.

### <u>Sustainable travel crosses all</u>

sectors today, from luxury to budget. A common misconception is the notion that either you can go on a great, fun vacation or you can go on a sustainable holiday to help the world. But here's the truth: Sustainable travel is not about giving something up; it's about gaining something more – a deeper, more meaningful experience, and, yes, a great vacation.

## I see a million opportunities to teach kids. For example, if you're walking on a beach and a plastic water bottle washes up, use it as a teachable moment. Ask the child, "Where do you think that comes from?" and talk about

how we should keep the oceans

clean because they're home to sea turtles. We don't have to scare kids with horrible stories. We can also teach them about cross-cultural understanding and how the world is a better place because there is so much diversity and beauty in it.

This is not a trend. It's a transformation of travel as we know it, just as there was a transformation that led us from horse and buggy to the Model T. I believe we're headed for a future where the companies that are doing it right are not the exceptions to the rule.

### The future of tourism will be that we won't need to put the word "sustainable" anywhere.

We won't need to celebrate hotels for going green and giving back because it will be as common for a hotel to embrace sustainability as it is for it to embrace good guest service. Likewise, it will be normal for a tour operator to support conservation and protect cultural heritage because nature and culture are at the foundation of having a wonderful travel experience. The very notion of travel will imply that we safeguard our planet and support the well-being of local people. That's the day I'm working toward.

- Interview by Marika Cain





## WHAT HE DOES Costas Christ, Virtuoso's senior advisor for sustainability, has been a key player in the sustainable travel

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- A team handpicked for their expertise in a variety of fields
- Superlative Silversea style: all-ocean-view, spacious suites with butler service; gourmet cuisine; always-open bars
- · Inspired inclusions: shore excursions, Zodiac explorations, a selection of wine and spirits, even a stylish parka in polar regions

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Up to \$300 shipboard credit per person on select sailings.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Thanks to an exclusive partnership with the Royal Geographical Society, guests are privy to an array of scientific and historical content, including maps, explorer journals, photographs, and iconic artifacts.











### **Extraordinary Journeys and Discoveries**

- Personalized travel adventures across Africa, Asia, Australia, India, New Zealand, and the South Pacific Islands
- Family-owned and operated for over 33 years
- Team of passionate specialists who have lived, worked, or studied in the countries where they create travel experiences
- A wide range of customized travel journeys, from private and small-group experiences to pre- and post-cruise options
- Trips to suit individual interests and comfort levels, including cultural, nature and wildlife, family, luxury, and romantic adventures

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Up to one Swain Destinations day pack per person.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Swain Destinations has directly funded numerous conservation projects, from planting thousands of eucalyptus trees for Australia's Koala Clancy Foundation to sponsoring Manji, a rehabilitated rhino in South Africa.









Explore the fjord systems of South Greenland by land, sea and air on Quark Expeditions' new polar vessel, *Ultramarine*.

- Two twin-engine helicopters
- 20 fast-launching Zodiacs
- Sauna with floor-to-ceiling windows
- Spa-inspired suites
- Unrivaled luxury amenities

Exclusive to guests on *Ultramarine*: Quark Expeditions' Greenland Adventure Program offers travelers the opportunity to experience heli-flightseeing, alpine kayaking, camping with local guides, mountain biking and more.

Quark Expeditions,
The Leader in Polar Adventures.

Contact your Virtuoso travel advisor today!











### Small Ships, Big Adventures

- Adventure, place, connection: unbeatable activities, up-close wilderness and wildlife, and uncommon cultural experiences
- Small ships offer unmatched access: Intimate vessels carrying just 22 to 86 guests head to places bigger boats cannot go
- · New guided adventures every day, including hiking, kayaking, paddleboarding, snorkeling, and skiff rides
- Inclusive fares: Excursions, handcrafted cuisine, and a wide range of beverage options are all included
- Explore: Alaska, Hawaiian Islands, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, Costa Rica, Panama, Belize, Guatemala, Colombia, Galápagos, Pacific Northwest, Columbia and Snake Rivers

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE \$50 shipboard credit per person.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING UnCruise takes its role as a responsible steward seriously, from purchasing sustainable local foods to partnering with Monterey Bay Aquarium's Seafood Watch program.











### Authentic, Personalized, Memorable

- Enjoy an array of active and participatory optional shore experiences
- On select cruises, join a veteran Expedition Team of naturalists, scientists, photographers, and other experts
- Optional Ventures by Seabourn® excursions invite you to explore spectacular destinations on exhilarating sea-level adventures
- Kayak and Zodiac tours enhance your experience
- New Seabourn Venture, debuting in 2021, will launch a new era of ultra-luxe expedition small-ship cruising

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Custom curated shore experience or up to \$500 shipboard credit per stateroom on select sailings.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING By traveling with the official cruise partner of UNESCO, you're helping to promote sustainable tourism at World Heritage sites and engender a greater commitment to preserving unique cultural and natural heritages around the globe.









Beyond the Destination



### Travel Off the Beaten Path

- Full immersion in the culture and natural history of a destination allows for better understanding, appreciation, and protection of the planet
- Innovative itineraries far removed from the standard routes. handcrafted by Zegrahm field leaders and program managers
- Each itinerary is joined by a dream team of experts
- All-inclusive exploration: Less worry means more discovery
- Outstanding guest service: expert care from the first call to the flight home

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE An additional \$120 gear credit per person.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Zegrahm proudly partners with and supports community projects in the destinations it visits as well as worldwide conservation organizations, including the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators (AECO) and the International Association of Antarctica Tour Operators (IAATO).







### **Zegrahm Expeditions**

Beyond the Destination

Discover the world's most remote and remarkable destinations on all seven continents with Zegrahm Expeditions. Our off-the-beaten-path adventures and award-winning small-ship voyages reveal the wild wonders of the natural world and offer authentic cultural experiences in some of the world's most intriguing destinations. Accompanied by world-class experts—award-winning photographers, archaeologists, historians, ornithologists, geologists, and marine biologists—who bring each destination's natural and cultural history to life, our journeys will ignite your passion for exploration and fulfill your inner explorer.

Book the adventure of a lifetime by contacting your Virtuoso Travel Advisor.









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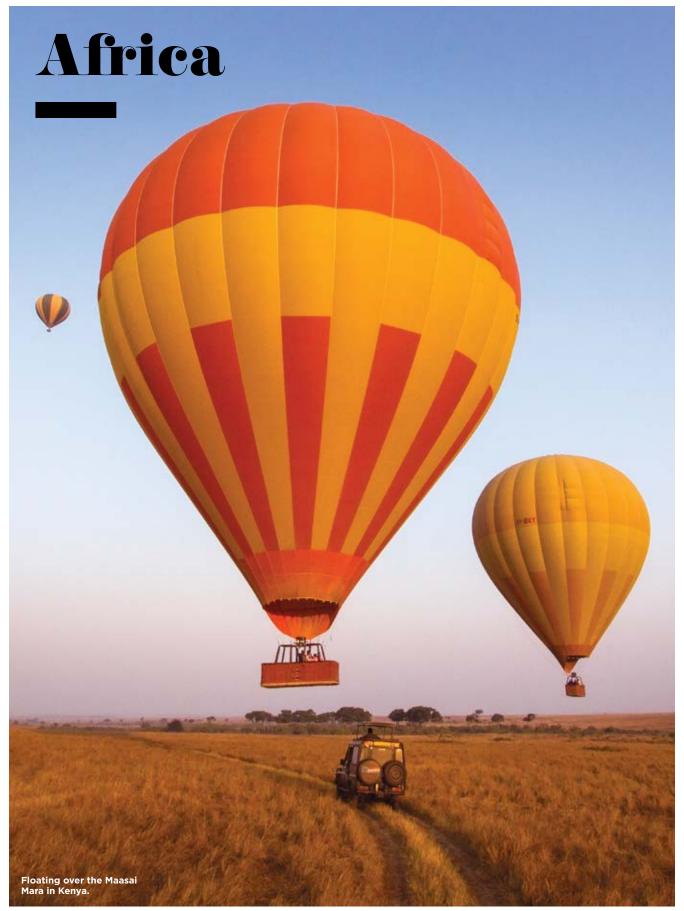
















### Live the African Dream

- Over 40 years of crafting tailor-made luxury safaris across the continent
- Voted No. 1 World's Best Safari Outfitter for the 2019 Travel + Leisure World's Best Award and a Departures Legend Award
- See Africa with a new perspective, from exclusive Virtuoso smallgroup journeys and family getaways to milestone celebrations and more
- Concierge support 24/7 and staff in the U.S. and Africa provide five-star service on every step of your journey
- Each journey is designed with Meaningful Moments, like a personal tour of Robben Island with Nelson Mandela's guard or behind-the-scenes safari experiences

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Customized welcome amenity.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING In partnership with the TreadRight Foundation and conservation organizations, African Travel's mission is to have a positive impact on the people and communities they visit, to help protect wildlife and marine life, and to care for the planet.















### Spectacular Journeys, Lovingly Crafted

- Conquer the world's highest mountain peaks and toast the sunrise from Mount Kilimanjaro to the Andes
- Enjoy life-changing experiences when visiting the vast plains of the Serengeti or the sacred Machu Picchu
- · Participate in conservation experiences that focus on safeguarding wildlife such as white lions, elephants, and tigers
- Follow in the footsteps of famous adventurers like David Livingston or Charles Darwin
- Experiences come to life when narrated by andBeyond's extraordinary guides and naturalists

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Personalized leather travel folder with itinerary and documents, and two leather luggage tags.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING and Beyond's commitment to sustainable responsible travel, conservation, and community empowerment has been globally recognized with multiple awards over the years.











### **Curated Safari Experiences, Positive Impacts**

- · Boutique luxury safari experiences in Kenya and Tanzania
- Elewana the Manor at Ngorongoro, a Cape Dutch farmhouse with 19 cottage suites bordering Ngorongoro Crater forest
- In Tanzania, picnics on the crater floor, horseback rides, excursions to flamingo-filled Lake Manyara, cultural visits to a local school
- Elewana Loisaba Tented Camp, a chic, 12-suite camp within a private sanctuary boasting lions and elephants
- In Kenya, game drives, bush walks, and visits to Samburu villages

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Coffee estate tour followed by a gourmet picnic with sparkling wine (Tanzania) or Loisaba Conservancy headquarters tour with sundowner (Kenya); breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom; and more.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Your stay helps support Elewana's Land & Life Foundation, which provides aid to local communities and projects that conserve wildlife and their habitats.













### Iconic Luxury in Magical Locales

- Exclusive safari adventures at three iconic properties
- Fairmont Mount Kenya Safari Club: historic hotel nestled in the foothills within the Mount Kenya Wildlife Conservancy
- Fairmont The Norfolk: secluded gem in the heart of Nairobi and base for exploring nearby wildlife conservancies
- Fairmont Mara Safari Club: luxury tented camp set along the hippo-filled Mara River
- One-on-one interactions with endangered species

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE 30-minute aromatherapy massage treatment for two, once per stay.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Fairmont supports local community projects and two esteemed endangered wildlife rehabilitation programs: the mountain bongo project in the Mount Kenva Wildlife Conservancy. and the only southern white rhino conservancy in Maasai Mara.











### Insider Access to Africa and India

- Named Travel + Leisure's World's Best Safari Outfitter nine times
- · Small-group, boutique safaris and tours maximize each traveler's experience
- Exclusive access to people, places, and experiences through personal connections established over 50 years
- "Only Micato" moments, including a sundowner spread in the Maasai Mara or sipping Champagne on a maharaja's throne
- Everything is included all meals, local wine and beer, laundry service, and every last gratuity

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE \$200 gift credit per person to Micato's online safari store for apparel and gear.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING By booking a safari with Micato, travelers enable an African child to go to school through the company's One for One Commitment.







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Soft Physical Activity



Wildlife & Nature Exploration



**Local Immersion Experiences** 



**Summer/Water Sports** 



Winter/Snow Sports

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### Authentic Luxury, Captivating Views

- Iconic location overlooking the Zambezi River and Victoria Falls: See and hear one of the seven natural wonders of the world
- Spot zebras, giraffes, and monkeys from your private balcony
- Experience a short boat transfer to the daring Devil's Pool: Swim right on the falls' edge
- Only hotel in the region to offer a water taxi arrival along the Zambezi River
- Wildlife safaris, white-water rafting, and dinner on board an old steam locomotive

**VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE** Zambezi River water taxi for two upon arrival: breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom; room upgrade upon arrival, if available; and more,

TRAVEL WITH MEANING The hotel empowers women through inspirational sustainability projects with far-reaching benefits, and supports local farmers who supply fresh produce to the hotel.









Inspiring new ways www.southafrica.net



### Free the Adventurous Spirit Within

- Whether you crave a safari in the untouched wild, a pristine sun-soaked beach, or a bustling city with vibrant culture in South Africa you can have it all
- Feel the ground tremble as a herd of giant elephants crosses in front of your safari vehicle
- Climb Table Mountain for a stunning view of Cape Town
- Paraglide over beach-fringed Hermanus or bungee jump from the spectacular Bloukrans Bridge
- Hold on tight for white-water rafting down the Orange River
- Get up close and personal with a great white shark for the ultimate thrill

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Witness many of South Africa's wonders while making a real difference. You can help with building projects in a local township, share your expertise teaching schoolchildren, or work on a wildlife conservation project focusing on dolphins or sharks.













#### **Adventure Awaits**

- Wilderness Safaris' purpose is to conserve and restore Africa's wilderness and wildlife
- Thirty-seven years' experience in curating experiential travel and widely acclaimed as Africa's foremost ecotourism operator
- Specializes in adventure: going somewhere you've never been before, or experiencing something you've never done before
- Unparalleled, adventurous safari experiences to fit your comfort zone

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE "WOW" experience on safari, including exclusive outdoor dining or adventurous must-experience sleepouts (at certain lodges, weather permitting); room upgrade upon arrival, if available; early check-in and late checkout, if available.

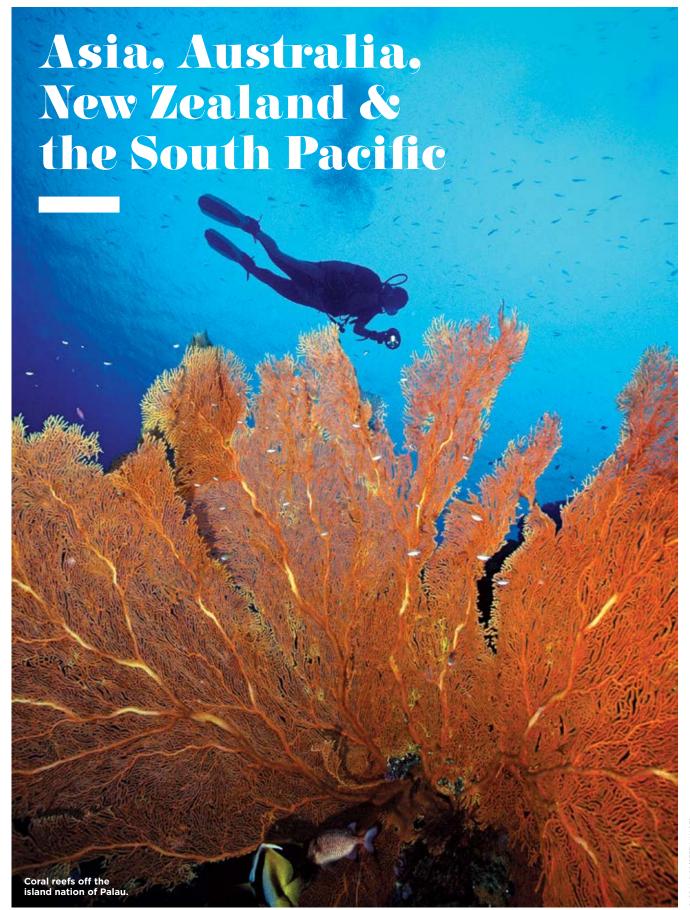
TRAVEL WITH MEANING Enjoy authentic elephant interactions, traditional mokoro meanderings, hot-air balloon rides, local cuisine, and more. Your journey will make a difference to Africa, its people, and its wildlife.











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### AMANKORA



### **Pursue Your Own Happiness in Bhutan**

- Five distinctive lodges in the Himalayan Kingdom of Bhutan
- Tailored explorations: personalized with local guides who share unparalleled knowledge and connections
- Curated experiences: Dine with monks at a twelfth-century temple, hike to the Tiger's Nest monastery, or trek to an isolated peak
- Indulge in a series of healing spa therapies
- Ten- to 12-night journeys in five valleys through the five Amankora lodges
- English-speaking guide and driver, entrance fees, and permits

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE 60-minute hot-stone bath for two (only at Paro Lodge), once per stay; breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom; room upgrade upon arrival, if available; and more.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Four of Amankora's lodges have their own organic gardens. Culinary ingredients and menus are influenced by the climate of each valley.











### Sustainability at Its Heart

- A chic, 40-villa conservation retreat located on 7,000 protected acres in the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Greater Blue Mountains region
- 2019 Winner of Virtuoso Sustainable Tourism Leadership Hotel Award
- Uniquely Australian encounters get up close with native wildlife and woodland ecology on bushwalks, hikes, and mountain bike rides
- The Wolgan Warrior Adventure Challenge an exclusive, 13-mile trail run available to just 10 guests per month
- Holistic wellness spa offering outdoor yoga classes

**VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE** Signature Wildlife and Sundowners tour for two, once per stay; early check-in and late checkout, if available; complimentary Wi-Fi.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Make a hands-on contribution to the conservation of the reserve, helping to maintain the native wildlife habitat alongside the retreat's expert field guides.











### Top Experts in Mongolia and India

- Winner of the Virtuoso Sustainable Tourism Leadership Award for 2019
- Consistently named to the Condé Nast Traveler Top Specialists List, Travel + Leisure A-List, and Wendy Perrin's WOW List
- · Singular experiences that blend education, entertainment, and meaningful interaction with locals
- Twenty-eight years of experience that translate to an unmatched network of in-country experts
- Spectacular accommodations, including stays at eco-lodges

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Amenities vary by location.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING To conserve wildlife and preserve cultural heritage, Nomadic Expeditions partners with Wildlife Science and Conservation Center of Mongolia.









LUXE & INTREPID ASIA



### **Experience the Very Finest of Asia**

- World's foremost bespoke tour operator focused exclusively on Asia
- Seamless multicountry itineraries
- Aman Jet Expeditions by Remote Lands
- Intrepid adventures, from trekking the Himalayas of Nepal to a helicopter breakfast at Mount Everest
- Hike to remote villages and monasteries in Bhutan; explore the Pamir Highway in Tajikistan; spot majestic tigers in Ranthambore, India
- Attention to detail, creativity, and personalized 24/7 service

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE VIP arrival at select airports for up to four guests.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Remote Lands invites guests to visit nongovernmental organizations it supports, including the Phyket Elephant Sanctuary and HALO Trust, which clears land mines from Cambodia.







### Goods to Go

### **ACCESSORIES FOR ADVENTURE**



- The Ruthsac backpack is built to last by socialresponsibility leader The North Face. thenorthface.com.
- 2 Handmade, cruelty-free shampoo bars from Lush pack in tins to cut down on plastic waste. lushusa.com.
- The Nano Puff vest by longtime environmental champion Patagonia is fair-trade sewn and made from recycled materials. patagonia.com.
- The Sunflower silk bandanna by Round + Square celebrates Equality
- Now's international human rights work for women and girls (and ten percent of profits go to the organization). roundplussquare.com.
- **5** Zero-waste **Bite Toothpaste Bits** keep plastic out of the
- oral-care equation. bitetoothpastebits.com.
- **6** The biodegradable bamboo toothbrush from Goodwell Co. is made from sustainably harvested bamboo and binchotancharcoal-infused bristles. goodwell.co.





#### **Creating Captivating Unique Journeys**

- Designs personalized experiences for discerning travelers
- Selection of accommodations combined with luxury small-group and private tours
- Surfing lessons at Sydney's iconic Bondi Beach; meandering through stunning rain forest with your local indigenous Kuku Yalanji guide; snorkeling or diving on the Great Barrier Reef
- Privately owned and operated, with more than 25 years of experience
- Knowledgeable team that epitomizes the essence of adventure travel planning

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Upgraded welcome amenity with maps and visitors' guides.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Every vacation contributes toward the Wildlife Health Centre at Healesville Sanctuary, an animal hospital located in the Yarra Valley region that annually treats over 1,500 sick, injured, or orphaned native animals.











#### There Is Still Nothing Like Australia

- With more than 37,000 miles of pristine beaches, diverse landscapes, and amazing wildlife, Australia was built for adventure
- · Fulfill any passion, be it hiking in the Blue Mountains or snorkeling along the Great Barrier Reef
- Visit Melbourne to play with a platypus and discover some of the finest wines and top restaurants in the world
- Gaze at the sunrise over Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park
- Try glamping along the rugged Kimberley coast or swimming with sea lions off the Eyre Peninsula
- · Go wombat spotting on Tasmania's Maria Island or Cradle Mountain

TRAVEL WITH MEANING In Australia, tourism is about high-quality experiences in an uncrowded land, with a strong focus on sustainability so that the country's natural attractions can continue to be enjoyed by future generations.









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#### 100% Pure New Zealand Welcome

- · A form of hospitality experienced throughout New Zealand (manaakitanga) deepens connections for travelers as they are made to feel welcome, respected, and looked after like family
- · Take to the skies, explore the oceans, or hit the open road to enjoy the pristine beauty firsthand
- Bungee jump at Kawarau Suspension Bridge (where the sport was born)
- · Create your own hot tub on Hot Water Beach
- Explore the Shire, home to Lord of the Rings' famous hobbits, in the village of Hobbiton

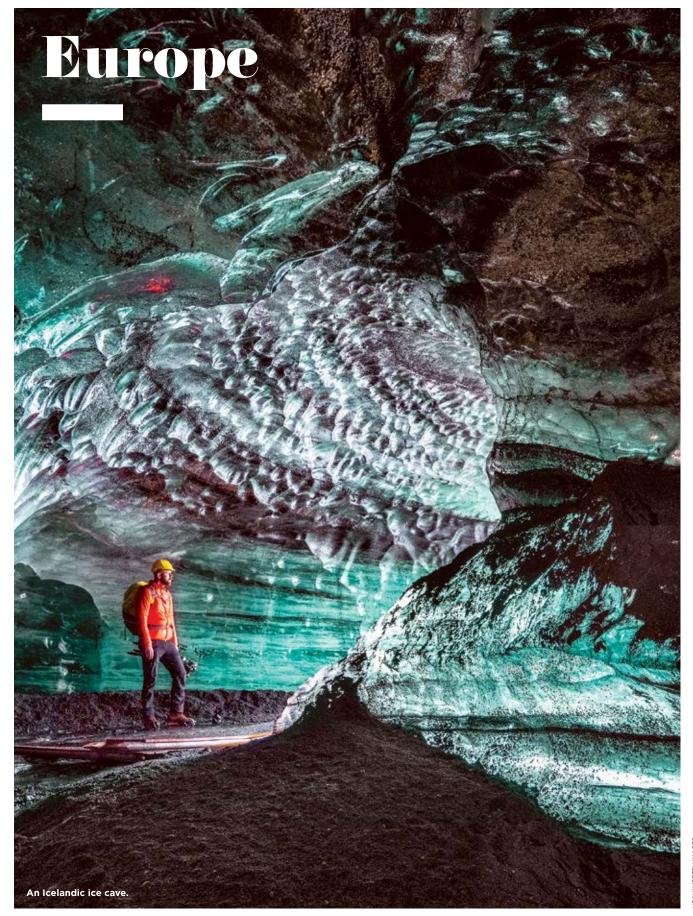
TRAVEL WITH MEANING The Tiaki Promise is a commitment to care for New Zealand, treading lightly and leaving no trace, showing care and consideration for all, respecting culture, and traveling with an open heart and mind.















#### Active Adventures in the Icelandic Wilderness

- Tailor-made programs that range from active family adventures to culinary journeys and luxury northern lights escapes
- Family-run, local company with more than ten years of experience
- Creative travel designers with insider knowledge and impeccable attention to detail
- · Handpicked expert guides offer authentic, safe, and transformative experiences
- Travel that takes you off the beaten path to hidden gems like the Fjallabak wilderness and tiny Flatey Island

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Welcome package.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Guides strive to minimize the ecological footprint on Iceland's unspoiled and particularly sensitive natural environment. Iceland Encounter also actively supports local suppliers and vendors to help strengthen communities.













#### Nature, Up Close

- Take advantage of Switzerland's outdoor activities, such as hiking and biking in the Swiss Alps - including the Via Alpina for multiday hikes and 40,000 miles of well-marked trails for day hiking
- Swiss cities: Boutique towns offer a variety of cultural and dining options in an easily accessible area
- Swiss hospitality and wellness at more than 35 Virtuoso hotels
- Direct connections from North America to Zürich and Geneva
- Experience four distinct cultures, traditions, languages, and culinary scenes in one country
- The Swiss Travel Pass provides unlimited travel on trains, buses, and boats as well as admission to over 500 museums across the entire country

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Ninety percent of the Swiss railway lines are hydro electric powered. Rail travel is also a great way to explore the beauty of Switzerland, and kids travel for free up to the age of 16 with their parent's Swiss Travel Pass.





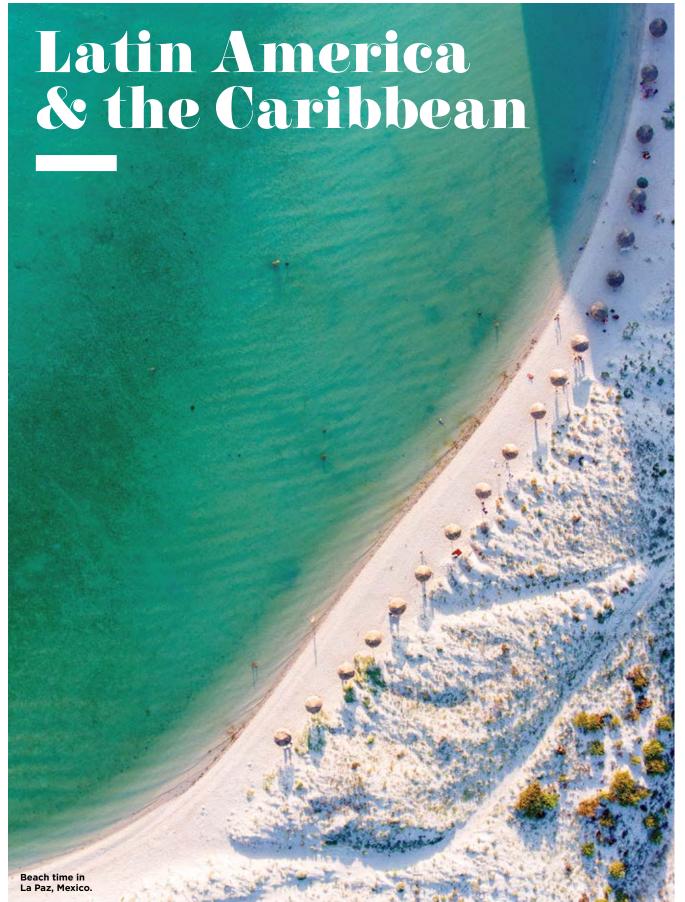






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# explora®



#### **Discover South America in Luxury**

- Forty miles from Cuzco, eco-lodge explora Valle Sagrado is perfect for exploring Machu Picchu and Peru's Sacred Valley
- explora Atacama is set in a desert landscape of mountains, sand dunes, and unique otherworldly terrain
- Located in the heart of Torres del Paine National Park, explora Patagonia is ideal for exploring the Chilean wilderness
- Easter Island is home to explora Rapa Nui, an unobtrusive hotel built almost entirely from local wood and volcanic rock
- · Bookings are all-inclusive of transfers, accommodations, meals, wine and beverages, plus unlimited guided explorations

**VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE** \$100-value hotel store credit per stay; breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom; and more.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING The founders of explora have worked to establish their Sustainability & Conservancy Program that believes in "leave no trace" and focuses on conservation within local communities.















#### Pampered Adventures, Exclusive Experiences

- Pampered adventures in South America, the Falkland Islands, and Antarctica
- More than 50 years of destination knowledge and experience
- · Destination experts: constantly renewing expertise and expanding distinctive offerings
- Custom-designed tours tailored to fit your individual travel style
- Partake in a Pachamanca culinary experience in the Sacred Valley; go fly-fishing at a working estancia in Argentina; visit stately king penguins in the Falkland Islands
- · Hands-on care and individual attention

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE Lightweight packable day pack per person.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Guests can engage with local communities in meaningful ways, while tour profits go to support a variety of local initiatives throughout South America.











#### Be Captivated by Los Cabos

- · Los Cabos exceeds expectations with tailor-made itineraries, top-level service, and unique adventures for travelers
- Senses, emotions, and flavors come together, offering a journey that is laid-back vet sophisticated
- · Enjoy an authentic farm-to-table experience, such as touring a garden and gathering the ingredients that will be used for your dinner
- Discover the outback of Los Cabos and enjoy the cuisine of Baja California Sur, which has given identity to the people of the region and draws inspiration from the surrounding mountain landscape

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Los Cabos Tourism Board has a wealth of knowledge about charity events, volunteer opportunities, sustainability, and other educational programs.













#### Land of a Thousand Rhythms

- Diversity not only in music but also in landscapes as the second most biodiverse country, Colombia is a paradise for nature and adventure travelers
- Colombia is bursting with life: Discover the more than 1,900 species of birds as well as butterflies and orchids
- Travel the unbeaten path on a bicycle or motorcycle, and discover pristine places
- Enjoy distinct adventures in many landscapes: two coasts, rivers, lagoons, mountains, jungles, deserts, and savannas
- Your adventure will be enhanced by Colombia's diverse music, the warmth of its people, and the fresh flavors of the cuisine

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Colombia has been a role model for the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.











#### Remarkable Moments in Peru

- Discover Peru's greatest riches: well-being and harmony with nature, and a reverence for the land and all its creatures
- Explore local culture and heritage along different treks in the Andes
- · Watch the sunrise from the shores of Lake Titicaca
- · Hike the most beautiful treks of the Andes
- Experience the Amazon rain forest home to the most incredible nature and wildlife on the planet

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Give back through your travel by participating in the Inti Raymi Festival, a traditional show held in the Sacsayhuaman Citadel in Cuzco; visiting the weavers of Taquile Island in Lake Titicaca, who produce some of the country's finest textiles; and helping with agricultural work in local communities in the Sacred Valley.









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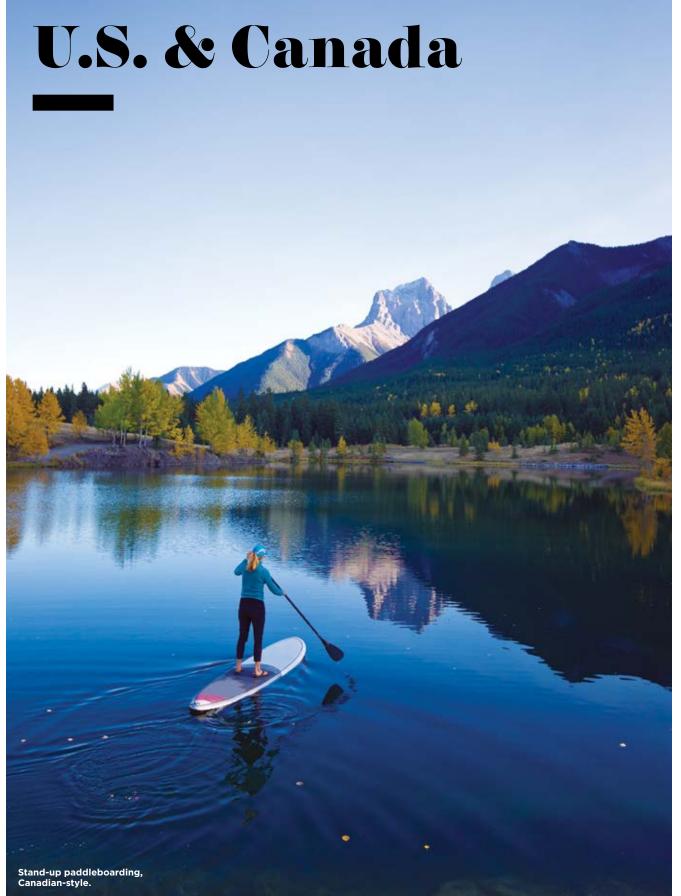
Exclusive Experiences













#### CANADA BY DESIGN





#### **Custom Vacations in Canada's Wilderness**

- Impressive portfolio of Canadian adventure, cultural, wildlife, and nature experiences that are authentic, educational, and transformative
- Dream trips, including grizzly bear viewing, train journeys through the Rockies, and visits to historic Atlantic villages
- Expert travel designers who are knowledgeable and eager to share their insights
- Personalized itineraries, including independent travel packages and private guided touring
- Complete range of summer and winter experiences

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE \$100 credit toward choice of additional hotel nights, sightseeing tours, activities, or private transfers.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Travelers can feel good knowing that all suppliers - including wilderness lodges, resorts, and wildlife tour providers - are carefully selected for their established, proactive conservation and sustainable tourism practices.













- A 70-acre resort in Sedona's Boynton Canyon
- · Casita-style accommodations with private decks
- Mii amo, a destination spa, topped Travel + Leisure's list two years in a row
- More than 140 weekly activities from barre classes to boot camps, golf to Grand Canyon tours, vision boarding to stargazing
- Trail House, the resort's new 4,100-square-foot adventure and activity center, opens in summer 2020 as the center to accessing more than 300 miles of hiking and mountain biking trails

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE \$100 resort credit per stay; breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom; room upgrade upon arrival, if available; early check-in and late checkout, if available; and more.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Take part in the resort's extensive green initiatives, including in-house recycling, biodegradable takeout boxes, and a linen and towel reuse option.













#### Where Your Canadian Adventure Begins

- Year-round adventures at Canada's most luxurious mountain resorts - from top ski runs to Rockies canoe trips
- Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge: with 700 secluded acres deep inside Jasper National Park
- Fairmont Banff Springs: Canada's historic Castle in the Rockies
- Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise: an elegant base camp perched along the lake's edge
- Fairmont Chateau Whistler: modern alpine luxury nestled at the base of Blackcomb Mountain in world-famous Whistler resort

**VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE** Breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom; room upgrade upon arrival, if available; early check-in and late checkout, if available; additional amenities vary by hotel.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise was the first hotel in Canada to receive five Green Keys from the Hotel Association of Canada's Green Keys eco-rating program.











#### **Escape to the Islands**

- A 126-mile-long string of tropical, drive-to islands paralleled by the only coral reef in the continental U.S.
- · A diver's haven with nine sunken vessels and a series of
- Backcountry and deep-sea fishing for more than 500 species troll for blue marlin, spearfish, tuna, barracuda, and sharks just
- Something for every active traveler from snorkeling, kayaking, and paddleboarding to guided eco-tours and bike rides through the National Key Deer Refuge
- · A rich, multicultural heritage with distinctive, sea-centric cuisine

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Consider joining a plethora of environmentally targeted volunteerism opportunities, from helping restore coral reefs to working at a wildlife rehabilitation center.







#### **Packing List**

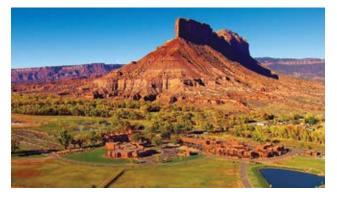
### IN THE BAG

- 1. The Janessa Leoné Packable Adriana straw hat with a collapsible brim is travel chic with twenty-first-century practicality (and skin protection). ianessaleone.com.
- 2. Nikon Travelite 8x25 binoculars provide a focused view for scanning coastlines. They're designed for travel convenience, with compact 25 mm lenses; a shock-resistant, no-slip rubber coating; and a lightweight ergonomic design. nikonsportoptics.com.
- 3. Badger Broad Spectrum SPF 30 checks all the boxes with 100 percent natural ingredients such as reef-friendly zinc oxide and moisturizing sunflower oil, beeswax, and vitamin E. badgerbalm.com.
- 4. Marvsia's Palm Springs scalloped women's swimsuit easily transforms from beachwear to cruisewear. saving precious suitcase space. Simply layer on a skirt or pants and you're ready for après-swim cocktails at your favorite beachside café. For men, the travel-inspired prints on Boardies' mid-length swim shorts are custom-created by graphic designers, artists, and illustrators from around the world. They're not too short, not too long, and feature soft-to-the-touch quick-dry fiber for all-day comfort. marysia.com; boardiesapparel.com.





Resort & Spa



#### Colorado's Adventure Resort

- Located on Colorado's Western Slope in Unaweep Canyon, one of the most unusual red rock canyons in the world
- Guided helicopter, jeep, and UTV tours, plus mountain biking, hiking, archery, horseback riding, and more
- Top honors from Travel + Leisure, Condé Nast Traveler, and many others
- · Local experts in wildlife, geology, and regional history
- Five restaurants and bars, three swimming pools, and a restorative spa

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE \$100 adventure credit per day; breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom; room upgrade upon arrival, if available; early check-in and late checkout, if available; complimentary Wi-Fi.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING You'll find eco-conscious efforts around every corner of the resort, from geothermal heating and cooling to the pools' nonchemical saline purification system to organic produce sourced from nearby family farms.









#### The Lodge at Blue Sky AUBERGE RESORTS COLLECTION PARK CITY, UTAH



#### Luxury as Nature Intended

- A contemporary, 46-room retreat with a relaxed Western lifestyle, set on a 3,500-acre private ranch in the Wasatch Mountain Range
- Experiences like outdoor yoga and Native American healing workshops that reconnect guests with nature
- Horseback riding, hiking, mountain biking, sporting clays (summer); downhill skiing, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing (winter)
- Year-round helicopter program departs from lodge property for heli-skiing, heli-fishing, and heli-hiking adventures

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE \$100 resort credit per stay; breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom; room upgrade upon arrival, if available; early check-in and late checkout, if available.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Sponsor an animal at the on-site Saving Gracie Equine Healing Foundation, a horse rescue sanctuary that helps neglected, abused, and abandoned horses recover from emotional and physical injury.



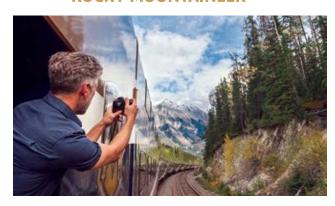








#### **ROCKY MOUNTAINEER®**



#### An Unforgettable Rail Journey

- The world's leading luxury rail experience, featuring all-daylight travel
- · Showcases awe-inspiring vistas of the Canadian Rockies, winding through many wilderness areas not accessible by car
- GoldLeaf Service with bi-level, glass-dome coaches and an exclusive outdoor viewing platform
- Gourmet cuisine prepared on board and complemented by regional wines, craft beers, and premium spirits
- · Activities for all levels of adventure-seekers cycling and hiking in British Columbia or canoeing on Lake Louise

**VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE** Private car transfer (Vancouver or Calgary) at start or end of rail journeys four nights or longer.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Rocky Mountaineer plants a tree on each team member's employment anniversary. To date, more than 8,700 trees have been planted.













#### **Connecting People with Nature**

- Wildlife and adventure tours on more than 1 million acres of private New Mexico ranchlands owned by Ted Turner
- · Handcrafted experiences tailored to each locale
- Activities from hiking and horseback riding at Vermejo to Armendaris bat cave tours to petroglyph viewing and ghost town visits at Ladder
- Diverse landscapes: sprawling grasslands, dramatic mountainscapes, and semidesert terrain
- Three unique locations: Vermejo in northern New Mexico, Ladder and Sierra Grande in southern New Mexico

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE \$100 hotel credit per stay; room upgrade upon arrival, if available; early check-in and late checkout, if available; complimentary Wi-Fi.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Ted Turner is a pioneer in sustainability. Guests can join a resident biologist for visits to a number of ongoing endangered species projects around the properties.











#### Where Mountains Meet the Ocean

- Surrounded by mountains, temperate rain forest, and urban beaches, Vancouver is a year-round destination that appeals to adventurers, culture seekers, and culinary travelers alike
- Discover the city's vibrant energy and exhilarating outdoor experiences
- Enjoy renowned international cuisine
- Just minutes from downtown, hike one of three local mountains; paddle, kayak, or embark on a wildlife-viewing water adventure; or bike the Stanley Park seawall's awe-inspiring trails
- Strike the perfect balance on a pre- or post-ski vacation with a variety of indoor and outdoor activities, including floatplane and helicopter tours, snowshoeing, zip-lining, shopping, museums, and more
- A stay of two or three nights pre- or post-cruise will allow you to enjoy the pristine natural surroundings, cosmopolitan charm, and unique attractions

TRAVEL WITH MEANING Vancouver's Renewable City Plan goal is to get 100 percent of its energy from renewable sources before 2050.









### WITHIN THE WILD

ALASKAN ADVENTURE LODGES



#### **Experience Wild Alaska from Within**

- Winterlake Lodge is a former hunting lodge turned vibrant eco-lodge with six hand-built guest cabins
- Located on 15 acres at mile 198 of the historic Iditarod Trail in the vast Tordrillo Mountain Range
- A variety of customizable adventures and activities from hiking, fly-fishing, river rafting, glacier trekking, and dog mushing in summer to heli-skiing, Iditarod racing, and viewing the northern lights during winter
- Focus on restorative travel with yoga and cooking classes

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE \$100 gift shop merchandise credit per stay; breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom; complimentary Wi-Fi.

TRAVEL WITH MEANING The lodge's off-the-grid location inspires conservation practices such as water-saving techniques, recycling, and gardening. Guests are invited into conversations about local ecology, natural resources, and preservation efforts.











## STAR POWER

Bring on the night.

#### **GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK**

"Visiting the Grand Canyon allows you to disconnect from the outside world and reconnect with yourself, your loved ones, and nature. As a designated International Dark Sky Park, it's also one of the best places in the U.S. to see the night sky's grand display of shooting stars, constellations, and the Milky Way."

- Caroline Bach Wood, Virtuoso travel advisor

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