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We also continue to invest in your comfort on the ground. At Brussels Airport, we opened a new business lounge a few months ago. The Suite in Pier B offers guests a premium area in which to relax. Not so long ago, I travelled to Toronto, one of our newest intercontinental destinations, and had the opportunity to experience the service and amenities in the lounge: I am pleased to say that I am certain guests will enjoy the experience too. Our intercontinental network is equally important to us and we recently opened a new business lounge in Africa. The Suite at N'Djili Airport in Kinshasa is our first lounge outside Belgium and it further emphasises our commitment to the African continent.

Whether you are travelling with us to a European or an intercontinental destination today, we will always welcome your feedback via one of our communication channels. I wish you wonderful travels this summer and thank you for choosing to fly Brussels Airlines today.

Bernard Gustin CEO

CHER PASSAGER

L'été est enfin arrivé et, chez Brussels Airlines, nous nous sommes investis pour que vous puissiez décoller en douceur vers vos vacances d'été. Si vous faites le voyage avec nous pour venir en Belgique, je vous souhaite la bienvenue.

Chez Brussels Airlines, nous sommes fiers - à juste titre - de notre petit pays. A tel point que nous célébrons notre savoir-faire belge même ici à bord. Si vous volez vers ou au départ d'une destination de notre réseau européen, n'oubliez pas de goûter un des délices culinaires proposés par notre nouveau partenaire belge, Foodmaker. Et si vous voyagez en Business Class sur un vol intercontinental au départ de Bruxelles, savourez le menu conçu spécialement à votre intention par un chef belge étoilé au Michelin.

Sur la terre ferme aussi, nous investissons pour votre confort. A Brussels Airport, nous avons inauguré, il y a quelques mois, un nouveau salon business. The Suite, à la Jetée B, offre à ses hôtes un formidable espace de détente. J'ai eu moi-même l'occasion de profiter du service et de l'infrastructure du salon lorsque je me suis rendu à Toronto, une de nos toutes nouvelles destinations intercontinentales. Nos hôtes apprécieront incontestablement l'expérience ! Notre réseau intercontinental est également important à nos yeux, et nous avons récemment inauguré un nouveau salon business en Afrique. The Suite, à l'aéroport de N'Djili à Kinshasa, est notre premier salon en dehors de la Belgique, ce qui souligne une fois de plus l'importance que nous portons au continent africain.

Que vous voyagez avec nous vers une destination européenne ou intercontinentale, nous serons heureux de recevoir votre feedback par l'un de nos canaux de communication. Je vous souhaite de merveilleux voyages cet été et vous remercie d'avoir choisi de voler avec Brussels Airlines aujourd'hui.

Bernard Gustin CEO

GEACHTE PASSAGIER

Eindelijk zomer... Bij Brussels Airlines hebben we kosten noch moeite gespaard om ervoor te zorgen dat u zo vlot mogelijk met vakantie kunt vertrekken. Als deze vlucht u voor een vakantie naar België brengt, wil ik u extra hartelijk welkom heten.

Brussels Airlines is terecht trots op ons kleine landje. We pakken dan ook graag uit met onze Belgische knowhow aan boord van deze vlucht. Vliegt u naar of van een bestemming in ons Europese netwerk? Proef dan zeker een van de Belgische delicatessen van onze nieuwe Belgische partner, Foodmaker. Reist u in Business Class vanuit Brussel naar een van onze intercontinentale bestemmingen, dan serveren we u een menu van de hand van een Belgische Michelin-sterrenchef.

We blijven ook investeren in uw comfort aan de grond. Op Brussels Airport openen we enkele maanden geleden een nieuwe business lounge. In The Suite in Pier B komen onze gasten in een exclusieve omgeving tot rust. Niet zo lang geleden reisde ik naar Toronto, een van onze nieuwste intercontinentale bestemmingen, en kon ik zelf de service en het comfort in de lounge ervaren. Ik kan u verzekeren dat ze bij onze gasten in de smaak zullen vallen. We hechten veel belang aan ons intercontinentale netwerk en openen recent een nieuwe business lounge in Afrika. The Suite in N'Djili Airport in Kinshasa is onze eerste lounge buiten België en zet nogmaals in de verf hoe belangrijk Afrika voor ons is.

Of u nu vandaag met ons naar een Europese of een intercontinentale bestemming reist, uw feedback is altijd welkom via een van onze communicatiekanalen. Ik wens u deze zomer onvergetelijke reizen toe en dank u omdat u vandaag koos voor Brussels Airlines.

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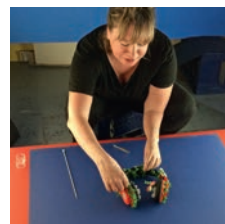
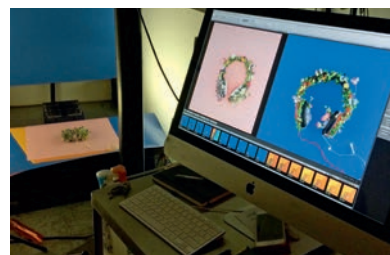
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The big picture

It's summer and that should mean spending as much time outdoors as possible, especially – as our readers have shown this month – with so many wonderful places to enjoy. Continue sharing your images with the hashtag #brusselsairlinestravel on Instagram and Twitter and we'll feature the best, plus the winning photographer will be rewarded with a return flight.



▲ WINNER!

"The blue sky reflected on the sea below, wild lavender wafted on the breeze and the Croatian sun was out in full force," says An Huts about this striking picture of a sandy cove found on the Croatian shoreline just north of the medieval city of Dubrovnik. The 54-year-old from Leuven, Belgium had a wonderful week's holiday with friends in the 'Pearl of the Adriatic', as it's often called. "This picture reflects all the love, fun and warmth we shared during those magnificent days," she adds.

RUNNERS-UP

- ◀ Polish travel addict Patrycja Gan's latest adventures took her to the beautiful Lake Maggiore, an hour and a half from Milan.
- ▼ After winning a Brussels Airlines' LOOP loyalty programme competition, Nostalgie Pelsener used her prize flight for a holiday in Tenerife.



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Eat Michelin in a museum

With culinary exhibition *Antwerp à la Carte* currently running at the city's iconic MAS museum, there's good excuse to try the building's exceptional two Michelin-star, minimal-chic eatery Restaurant 't Zilte. Besides the opulent six and eight-course tasting menus, diners can try a three-course lunch for €68 that, with Instagram-worthy presentation, sophisticated wine pairings and delightful flavour combinations, is a very special treat.

tzilte.be



Aim high

Bird's-eye views of Belgium are reaching new heights, finds **Clodagh Kinsella**



It's not the first time I've said Belgium is on the up, though it wasn't meant quite so literally last time. However, there's no denying there's a trend for high living lifting the country right now. Take the glass cube-style restaurant La Villa in the Sky in Brussels, for example. After beginning as a pop-up, it has now permanently colonised the roof of the city's IT Tower, dazzling gourmets (and Michelin inspectors) with its haute views and haute cuisine. Then there's Dinner in the Sky – which celebrated a new achievement last month as 10 cranes dangled 10 dinner tables and 10 top chefs just metres from the city's famous Atomium building.

The Atomium isn't the only Expo 58 icon being roped into the current craze for altitude. A short walk from the Grand Place, Parking 58, which was also built for the World's Fair, has long offered one of the finest free panoramas of the city. As of June, the car park's roof has welcomed the open-air pop-up Rooftop 58, which plays host to a restaurant by Gault & Millau's new Chef of the Year, Sang Hoon Degeimbre on weekdays, and a cool cocktail lounge, Skybar 58, on weekends. The pop-up runs until 30 September, when the altophiles will have to cede to the autophiles.

In Antwerp, the summer season usually revolves around the River Scheldt, as locals flock to bars in abandoned waterside hangars. But the pop-up

This uncanny staircase goes nowhere... but getting there is a real trip

du jour is considerably more urbane. A brutal 1960s block, the A Tower, tucked off De Keyserlei, and the third highest building in town, has been given over to creatives until October. They have already transformed one of Europe's ugliest edifices (according to a poll) into the place to see and be seen. Both activities centre on the fourth-floor Bar GLOED, with its regular club nights and terrace overlooking the Meir (the main shopping street). From October, when the tower is converted into apartments, the 24th floor will become a permanent panorama hall.

The point of all these bird's eye views, of course, is to discover new perspectives. It is an idea that is expressed in its purest – cocktail-free – form in the rural municipality of Tielt-Winge. Here, since 2013, a surreal "pre-rusted" staircase has zigzagged dramatically towards the heavens, defying gravity as it cantilevers over the rolling farmland and the Kabouterbos forest. The Vlooyberg Tower, built by the engineering studio *Close to Bone* after the previous (humble) observation post burned down, culminates in a closed viewing platform fitted with peepholes. Like an MC Escher sketch, this uncanny staircase goes nowhere in particular, but getting there is a real trip. lavillainthesky.be; dinnerinthesky.be; rooftop58.be; antwerptower.be; tielt-winge.be



Don't be a muggle

Just in time for the eighth book (*Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* hits shelves 31 July), everyone can get a taste of wizard-life at the interactive *Harry Potter: The Exhibition* now running at Brussels Expo. Wander through realistic creations of film sets such as Hagrid's hut, see original props and costumes up close and even have a go at Quidditch. expoharrypotter.be



RAVE TO YOUR YOUTH

Long before the mega-DJs of today's electronic dance music, youths danced (and dressed) to the beat of rave. Arising from Chicago's acid house movement in the 1980s, spawning warehouse parties in Manchester and London, rave grew to epic proportions only to dissolve into sub-genres in the 1990s. *Energy Flash: The Rave Movement*, running till 25 September at Antwerp's contemporary art hub M HKA, is the first museum exhibition dedicated to the movement. muhka.be

DELVE INTO CONGO URBAN LIFE

Congolese-Belgian photographer Sammy Baloji (cousin of the eponymous rapper) and anthropologist Filip De Boeck's *Urban Now: City Life in Congo* is a fascinating exploration into Congo's urban landscapes, and the way they contrast with the neoliberal imaginings of the future that regularly manifest themselves in the form of billboards. Part of BOZAR's (Brussels' Centre for Fine Arts) *Summer of Photography* season, the exhibition is now showing at Brussels art venue WIELS until 14 August. wiels.org



Be on time for the Devils

As the European Cup 2016 heads towards its climax this month, top Swiss watchmaker Rodania, the official timekeeper of the Belgian Red Devils this year, has launched the perfect accessory for fans of the national squad:



the sporty Red Devil collection. The range includes classic styles, as well as more funky models with football motifs on the dial, striking Belgian tricolour straps and faces emblazoned with the team's famous trident logo. rodania.com

Go to a kick-ass event



1 DOUR

13-17 July, dourfestival.eu

The largest music event in French-speaking Belgium began with five bands back in 1989; last year it hosted almost 250,000 fans. This year's much-anticipated line-up includes Baloji, The Prodigy and Underworld.



2 GENTSE FEESTEN

15-24 July, gentsefeesten.stad.gent


During this huge 10-day bash, the whole of Ghent turns into one big party, as 1.7 million visitors enjoy dance, circus performance, theatre events and concerts, alongside an armada of food trucks.



3 RECYCLART HOLYDAYS

All month, recyclart.be

Every Thursday and Friday night until 5 August, the hip Brussels arts centre Recyclart puts on concerts, DJs and workshops both inside the venue and on its doorstep.


 ■ SMART BELGIANS

The man who invites total strangers to parties

Young Brussels entrepreneur **Kevin Somany** is the man behind Tribes.City, which brings together all kinds of people in a laid-back social setting – kind of like an Airbnb for house parties

With the rise of sites such as BookaLokal and Airbnb, more and more people are inviting strangers into their homes. The new Brussels start-up Tribes.City extends the concept to house parties, offering an online hub for would-be hosts. Founder Kevin Somany came up with the idea after a stint organising parties for expats in Brussels alongside his collaborator, Maria Delia Cappellini, who was then an Erasmus student.

“With time, I realised that although bars and clubs might look like social environments, people tend to stay in their group of friends and rarely mingle,” he says. “At house parties, people are much more relaxed, maybe because there’s a more cosy vibe.”

The duo threw their first party in July 2015. To date they have held more than 40. After hosts get in contact via Facebook, Tribes.City smooths the potentially fraught process, advising them on what

to provide and how much to charge. “Then we create the event without revealing the address,” Somany says. “Guests have to register, and receive a text the day before with the details. They bring their own drinks. Hosts can also ask for a participation fee to cover finger food, plastic cups, etc.”

Somany thought the website would attract students, but the average age of participants is 25. “I think it’s because when you’re in college it’s really easy to create a friendship group, but when you start working, your social circle is more limited,” he says. His favourite party so far was a black and white-themed bash attracting 60 people. “The host, Nymfa, made lots of Asian food and also had a beer pong table ready. It really raised our game.”

Scoring investment has not been easy. “In the beginning people told us that no one would open up their house to strangers and that meeting in bars and clubs was easy. But if I’ve learned anything from this, it’s that the only true feedback is the market,” Somany says. Having seen how many of his former guests stay in touch, Somany is thinking of expanding to other cities: “I have a gut feeling that Berlin might just be ready for it,” he says. “It’s so avant-garde when it comes to nightlife.” **tribes.city**

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A brilliant mind

The city of Prague celebrates the country's most famous literary son, the early 20th century writer Franz Kafka – best known for his searing existentialist works such as *Die Verwandlung* (*The Metamorphosis*) – with the unveiling of sculptor David Cerny's latest work. The Czech artist's tribute to a brilliant mind is a constantly rotating, 42-layer stainless steel structure of Kafka's head that repeatedly splits apart before coming back together again. davidcerny.cz

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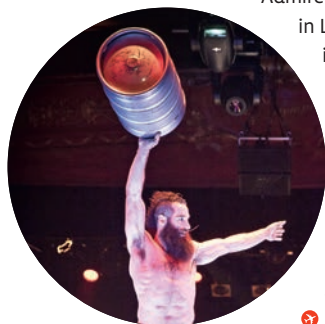
OTHER SPECTACLES TO ENJOY THIS MONTH

BEARDED ACROBATS

Admire the most perfectly groomed beards in London (which is saying something if you've ever been to Shoreditch) and their owners perform a heart-stopping acrobatic display. The madcap lumberjack circus troupe Barbu, members of Canada's Cirque Alfonse, is performing until 25 September at the Southbank Centre.

londonwonderground.co.uk

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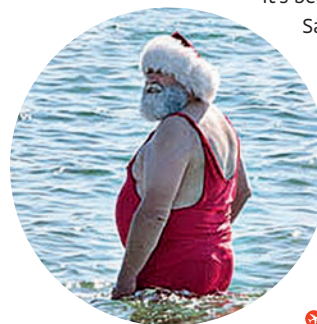


SWIMMING SANTAS

It's been a good six months since we last saw Santa, so it's understandable that he – and his many doppelgängers – are keen to get out. Fortunately the Santa Claus World Congress hits Copenhagen on 18-20 July. Essentially a Christmas summer fair, you can watch hundreds of Saint Nicholases take part in events including obstacle races, swimming and a parade through the city. Ho ho ho.

worldsantaclauscongress.com

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■ DANCE { Vienna }

High on love

Wondering what's giving these guys such a lift? Love and desire, apparently. The themes are the focus of Wim Vandekeybus' acclaimed all-male dance *In Spite of Wishing and Wanting*, performed here by Ultima Vez, one of 65 eclectic productions being staged at venues around Vienna between 14 July and 14 August as part of ImpulsTanz – the Austrian capital's international dance festival. impulstanz.com

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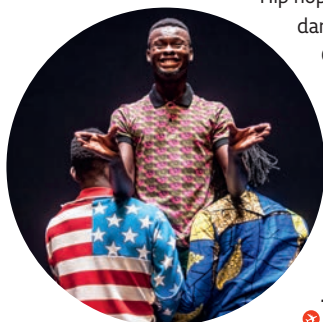


CONGO STREETDANCE

Hip hop from Kinshasa, contemporary dance from Brussels, and a German-Israeli DJ mixing the beats all come together in *Kinshasa Electric*. Catch this thrilling dance show on 13 July, at the Festival de Marseille, one of the biggest arts and performance events in the country. Until 19 July.

festivaldemarseille.com

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■ FOOD & DRINK { Milan }



MY CITY ON A PLATE Andrea Asoli

Andrea Asoli is one to watch. After starting out in a modest restaurant in Rome, the talented young Italian has already worked his way up to executive chef of upmarket Milan spot Rubacuori by Venissa at the age of 25.

Cooking contemporary Venetian cuisine with a Milanese touch, he says the key issue is to use high-quality, seasonal ingredients. "My favourite food to cook is pasta and rice because they represent simply the very essence of Italian cuisine," he says. He's not shy of getting more complicated, however, as the dishes he serves at Rubacuori (pictured below) prove: salad of 'warm fruits of the sea' with raw and cooked peas and 12-hour cooked suckling pig served with balsamic beetroot and chicory sauce. Yum. ristoranterubacuori.it



Andrea's dining picks

■ **Breakfast Pasticceria**

Marchesi "I love this place for its fantastic cakes. My favourite is the bigné with chocolate and vanilla cream – classic lemon cake and traditional panettone." pasticceriamarchesi.it

■ **Coffee Bar Luce (Fondazione**

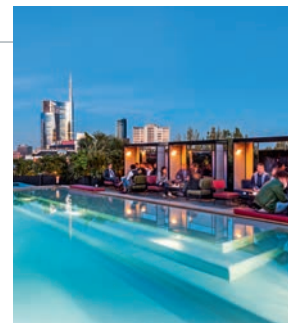
Prada) "This retro bar designed by film director Wes Anderson is a place to soak up the ambience of a traditional 1950s/60s Milanese café in a rich modern-art context." fondazioneprada.org

■ **Lunch Café Trussardi** "Come here for easy, good food, served quickly. The hamburger is amazing – made with high-quality beef and presented beautifully." cafetrussardi.it

■ **Dinner Ceresio 7** "There's a wonderful atmosphere at this swimming pool and restaurant (pictured above), with stylish interiors and very good contemporary Italian cuisine – a very popular place to see and to be seen. Order the grilled scallops with white bean purée, spices and pecorino cheese." ceresio7.com

■ **Drinks Armani Priv** "Dance alongside the city's hippest fashion people at Armani's swanky private club. Try the mojito with agricole rum and fresh mint leaves." armanirestaurants.com

✈️ FLY TO MILAN LINATE & MILAN MALPENSA THREE TIMES DAILY



■ PROFILE { Tel Aviv }

The woman who makes jewellery for Vanessa Paradis

Keren Wolf is a Tel Aviv-based jewellery designer whose pieces have been worn by celebrities such as supermodel Bar Refaeli, *Wonderwoman* star Gal Gadot as well as the former Mrs Depp

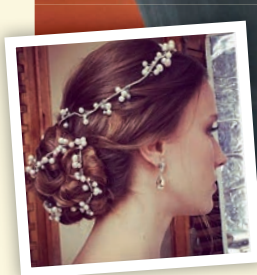
My favourite place in Tel Aviv is the neighbourhood of Neve-Tzedek, where I have my studio. It's my second home, and home to all my creations – rings, earrings, necklaces and hair accessories. I love meeting and greeting my clients here, and seeing them try on new pieces. This part of Tel Aviv is also wonderful for clothes and homeware; the shops are well-curated, with a huge range of beautiful things from local designers. The ambience of the whole area is a treat.

Tel Aviv has a relaxed, liberal culture. It's a modern, vibrant city on the sea – a cosmopolitan coastal place where life is lived in outdoor cafés, restaurants and bars. Different languages can be heard as you stroll down the streets, and it's also home to Israel's community of artists, musicians, tech entrepreneurs and social innovators. It's a city that never sleeps.

When I have some time off I love to go and see local singers and comedians. My favourite venue is Zappa, which is a nightclub. I also love to visit galleries – my favourite ones in Tel Aviv are the Artemisia Gallery, the Helena Rubinstein Pavilion for Contemporary Art and the Tel Aviv Museum of Art.

People in Tel Aviv are very open-minded. They like to communicate, and are very friendly and accepting of different cultures. I also think they're daring, and have a great desire to express themselves through fashion. The scene here is eclectic, bohemian and casual; there's an emphasis on comfort, but it doesn't compromise on style. A designer I have great respect for is Inbal Dror, a well-known bridal gown designer in Israel who's up-and-coming internationally. One of her gowns was recently worn by Beyoncé at the Grammys.

My favourite Tel Aviv restaurants are Dallal, Shila, Refael, Orna & Ella and Toto. They all offer terrific cooking, ranging from the comfort food I grew up with, to modern fusion cuisine. I don't think there really is a typical Tel Aviv dish. Chefs here often combine Middle Eastern ingredients with French and Italian cooking



Keren in her jewellery studio in Neve-Tzedek, and left, one of her elegant hair creations

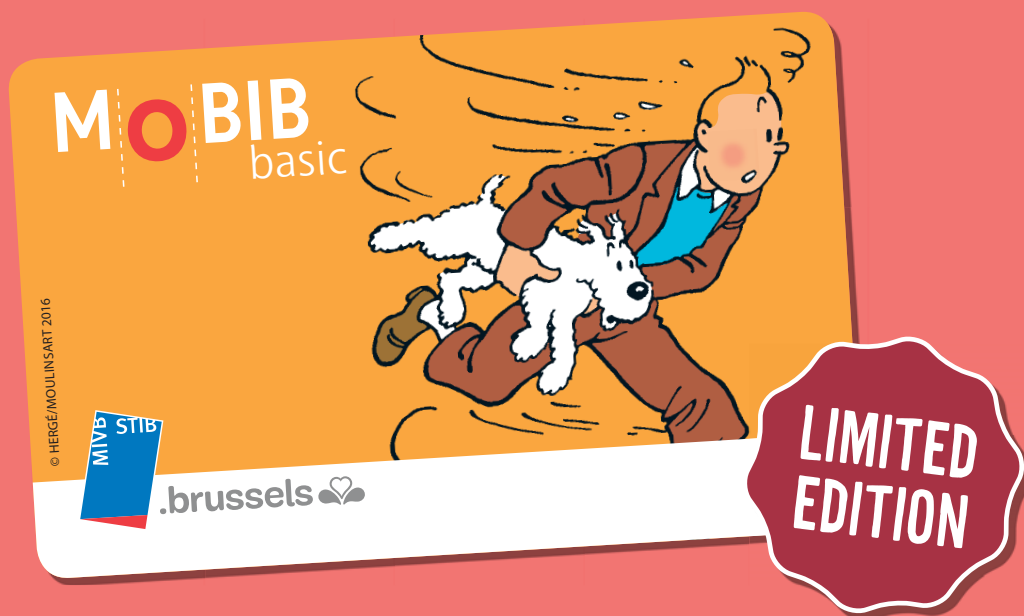
“People in Tel Aviv are keen to express themselves through fashion”

methods. One particular dish I've enjoyed a lot recently is white fish ceviche served with yoghurt, parsley and other fresh local herbs.

If someone is coming to Tel Aviv for the first time, I tell them to go to Neve-Tzedek, one of the oldest and buzziest districts in the city, Tel Aviv Promenade and the ancient port city of Old Jaffa. My favourite season here is spring. It's a time of renewal and tourists from all around the world come to visit the city, filling it with a new energy. kerenwolf.com

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PHOTOGRAPHY { New York }

Big Apple in the raw

When it came to capturing the nitty gritty of real life in pre- and post-war America, New York press photographer Arthur Fellig – better known by his pseudonym Weegee – didn't pull his punches. He developed his signature style by following the emergency services to capture uncompromisingly raw scenes of urban life, crime and death. It wasn't all doom and gloom though: Weegee also spent his time documenting little social pockets of the city, such as raucous nightclub Sammy's in the Bowery. A place once described by the *New York Times* as attracting a mix of "drunks and swells, drifters and celebrities, the rich and the forgotten", *Weegee's Bowery* exhibits some of the photographer's most upbeat images, and is currently on show at the International Center of Photography until 5 August. icp.org

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■ DESIGN { Ouagadougou }

HEAVY METAL

Resourcefulness and creativity is the hallmark of Ouagadougou designer Hamed Ouattara, whose colourful pieces earned him the 2014 African Design Award for best designer of his generation. His metal furniture, carefully hand-crafted from old oil barrels, scrap metal and other found objects, have now found an international fanbase, showing in galleries from Brussels to London and New York. studiohamedouattara.com

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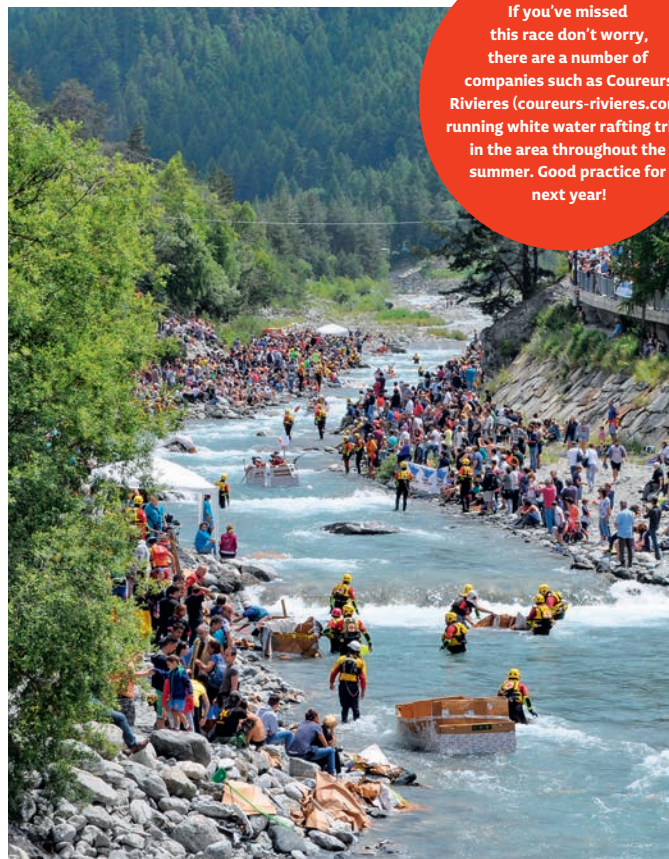
■ ADVENTURE { Turin }

Paper dreams

The next time you go to recycle a waste cardboard box, just stop and think. It could be your ticket (and vessel) to the extraordinarily brilliant Carton Rapid Race that takes place on the Dora Riparia river just outside of Turin on 2 July. First held in 1991, this fun event requires contestants to create their own boats out of cardboard and tape within two hours, then race them down the river's rapids. Think that sounds crazy? Then hang around for round two: the origami special Paper Race: same concept – just using paper. With vessel forms previously ranging from cranes to spaceships, it is a test of creativity and imagination followed by the triumph of hope over reality. cartonrapidrace.it

✈ FLY TO TURIN SIX TIMES WEEKLY

If you've missed this race don't worry, there are a number of companies such as Coureurs Rivieres (coureurs-rivieres.com) running white water rafting trips in the area throughout the summer. Good practice for next year!



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THE GRID

Outside beats

Summer means festival fun, so here's our pick of the bunch around the globe

JULY



Kappa FuturFestival Turin's ultimate summer event for house and techno attracts a 40,000-strong crowd. Italian DJ Davide Squillace, American group Kings of House and newer talents such as Ukrainian DJ Nastia will be responsible for getting them moving. **9-10 July**, kappafuturfestival.it

AUGUST



Odyssea Festival This new festival in the bay of fishing village Schinos, near Athens, will have 60 DJs playing electro, house and techno over seven days and nights. As well as a main stage, there'll be beach sessions, boat parties and surprise secret gigs. **30 Aug-5 Sept**, odysseafestival.com

SEPTEMBER



Lollapalooza It's the second European stint for this electronic carnival in Berlin (with added rock, pop and indie) originally from the US. DJ headliners include American electronic group Major Lazer and German DJ Paul Kalkbrenner. **10-11 Sept**, lollapaloozade.com

Electronic/Dance

Urban/Hip-hop

Brooklyn Hip Hop Festival NYC's largest and longest running hip-hop event sees more than 50 concerts take place across three stages, plus exhibitions and art installations. Rapper Nas with The Soul Rebels are headlining. **13-16 July**, bkhiphopfestival.com

Outlook Festival It's well worth the three-hour journey from Zagreb to reach this epic hip-hop beach and boat party in Croatian coastal spot Pula. The extensive line-up this year includes Slum Village, Kano and Stormzy. **31 Aug-4 Sept**, outlookfestival.com

Turf 2016 Featuring both locally, nationally and internationally known acts (including big names The Dropkick Murphys and Jake Bugg) this outdoor urban roots music festival in downtown Toronto is a September highlight. **15-19 Sept**, torontourbanrootsfest.com

Indie/Rock/Pop

Super Bock Super Rock Considered one of Europe's foremost rock and pop festivals. In (hopefully) scorching Lisbon sunshine, crowds will be treated to creative stages hosting a line-up that includes Iggy Pop and Massive Attack. **14-16 July**, superbocksuperrock.pt

Way out West PJ Harvey, Morrissey, Haim and James Bay are all confirmed for this beautiful Swedish festival in Gothenburg spread over five stages and filled with interesting food stalls and bars. Pop, urban and electro acts are also likely to make a noise. **11-13 August**, wayoutwest.se

DCODE Madrid's number one rock and indie festival thunders back into the capital for one day of ear-shattering (in a good way) mayhem with headliners including Mark Ronson, Jungle, and Eagles of Death Metal. **10 Sept**, dcodefest.com

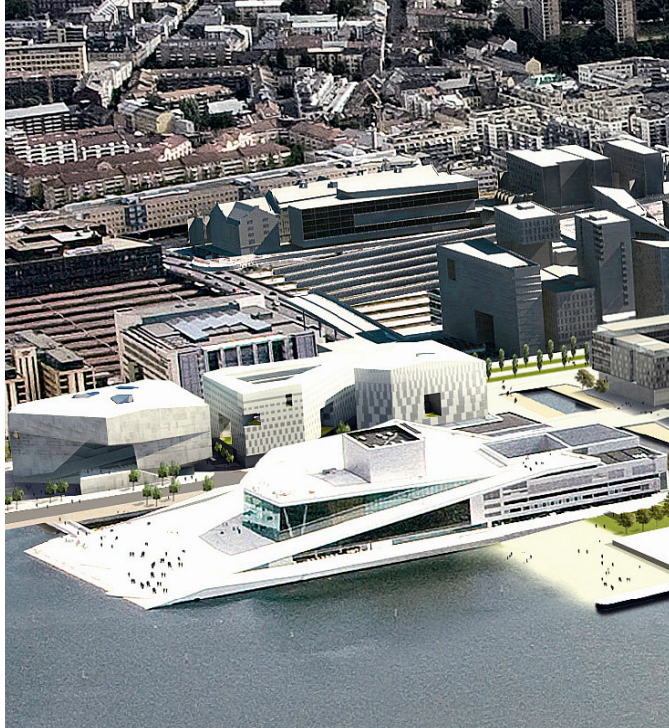
World/Culture

Colours of Ostrava This cool, multi-genre Czech festival near Prague (pictured) showcases more than 300 top music acts, including the likes of Tame Impala and Underworld, as well as theatre and workshops in a quirky industrial setting. **14-17 July**, colours.cz

Sziget Festival Held on the 'Island of Freedom' in Budapest, Sziget (pictured) is one of Europe's largest music and cultural festivals. Look out for electronic stalwarts such as The Chemical Brothers, big pop acts including Rhianna and various art events. **10-17 Aug**, szigetfestival.com

Small World Music Festival Musicians from Mali, Korea, Cuba and Ethiopia will play at different venues across Toronto in this brilliant, 10-day world music festival now in its 15th year. The Bollywood Monster Mash-Up is a highlight. **15-25 Sept**, smallworldmusic.com

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■ BOOKS { Oslo }

Reading the future

Cloud Atlas author David Mitchell must be one of the first authors to finish a book and welcome critics' sharp tongues. That's because his book will be received posthumously in 2114 when the manuscript will be read for the first time. Mitchell is just one of several authors taking part in Scottish artist Katie Paterson's Future Library project, for which 1,000 trees were planted specially in Oslo's Nordmarka forest two years ago. The idea is to deliver an anthology of 100 books by 100 authors over 100 years (novelist Margaret Atwood handed over the first manuscript last year), using the trees chopped down to make the paper. Until then, the manuscripts will be held in trust in a specially designed room in Oslo's new, swanky riverside Deichmanske Public Library. The stunning yacht-shaped building (pictured above) is due for completion in 2019. futurelibrary.no

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CAN'T WAIT? READ THESE:

Harry Potter and the Cursed Child Parts One & Two, the eighth instalment of the hit series, released at midnight, 31 July.



Set in New York, *Rich and Pretty* the debut from Rumaan Alam about two best friends is a great beach read. Out 6 July.



Homegoing is a captivating tale of about two half sisters in 18th-century Ghana by Yaa Gyasi. Out now.

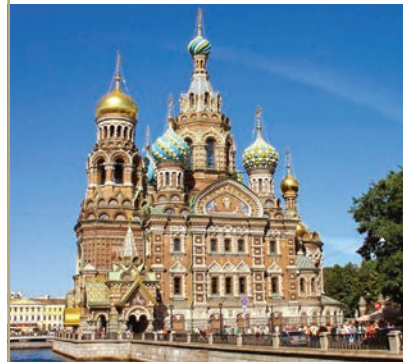


Andrew Michael Hurley's thrilling first novel *The Loney* set in England has won numerous awards for good reason. Out now.



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Parkdale

Now home to a thriving hipster scene (yes, they're never going away), in the late 1900s this buzzing area of Toronto was considered a down-and-out neighbourhood. The land was originally covered in forests of sugar maples, beech, yellow birch, white ash and hemlock, which brought it the name of Parkdale in the 1870s. Recently, the Urban Garden Development

Project has renovated community gardens and historical plaques explaining Parkdale's 'roots'. This diverse community is home to Tibetan, North African and West Indian enclaves, mixed in with some of Toronto's best vintage fashion and fabric stores and restaurants.

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PIRATES WILL LOVE THIS

1 Playdead Cult

1696 Queen Street West

A gallery, boutique and studio devoted to dark art and monster fashion, this wild shop is covered in painted skulls. Co-founder Stu makes gothic prints, paints boom boxes, and silk-screens T-shirts for the "Black Collar Worker".

TIME FOR A COCKTAIL

2 Mata Petisco Bar

1690 Queen Street West

"Petisco" means sharing plates in Brazil, and this new Brazilian lounge is popular for these and for its potent Caipirinha cocktail – a combination of rum, lime and cane liquor.

LOVELY LADY THINGS

3 Sylvie & Shimmy

1640 Queen Street West, sylvieandshimmy.com

This beautiful boutique has the aura and charm of a grown-up tea party. Draped in the shop's signature colour, a feminine mint green, Sylvie & Shimmy sells girly garments in classic designs.

MASCOTS R US

4 Loonie Times

1720 Queen Street West, loonietimes.com

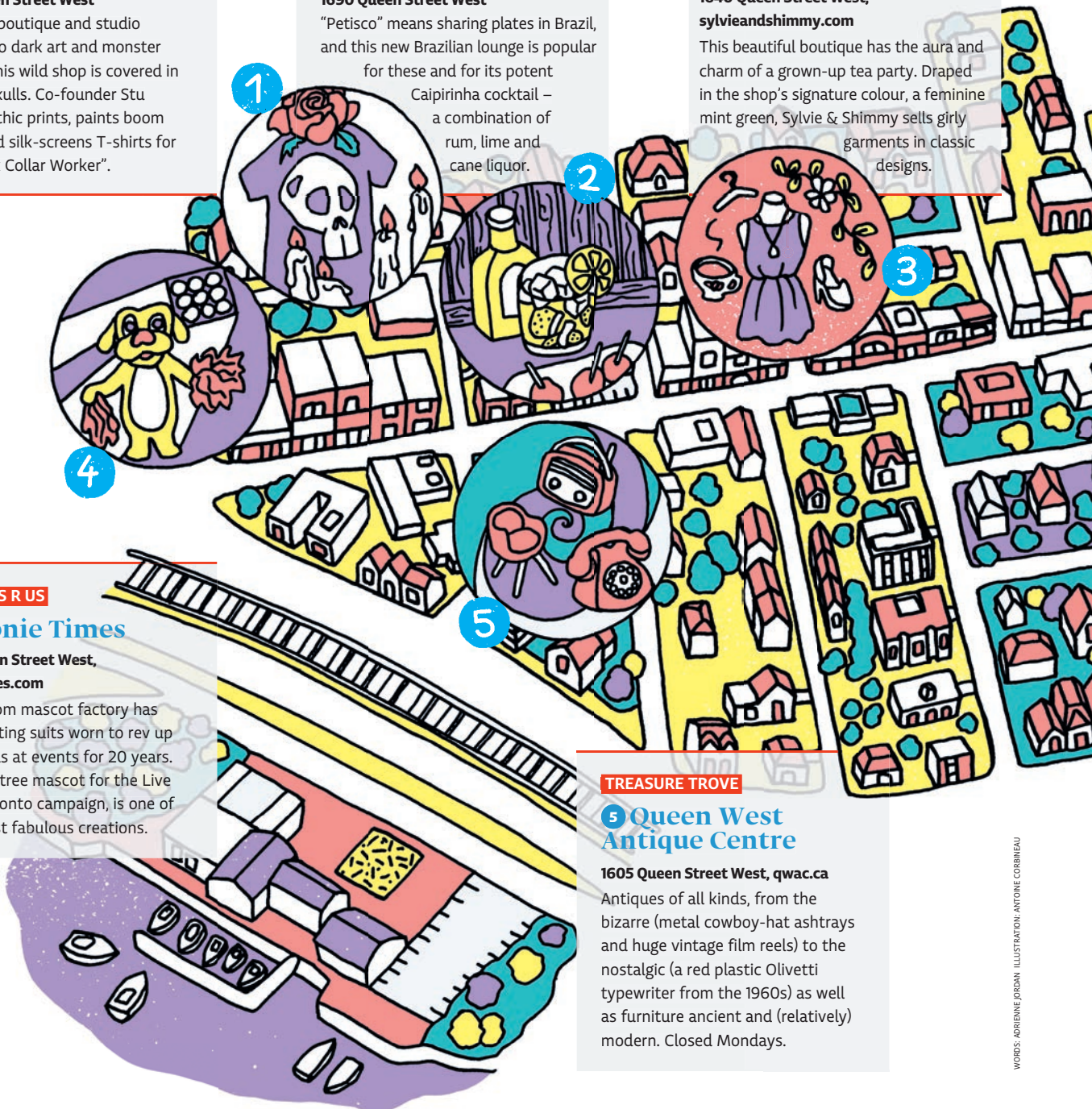
This custom mascot factory has been creating suits worn to rev up the crowds at events for 20 years. Woody, a tree mascot for the Live Green Toronto campaign, is one of their latest fabulous creations.

TREASURE TROVE

5 Queen West Antique Centre

1605 Queen Street West, qwac.ca

Antiques of all kinds, from the bizarre (metal cowboy-hat ashtrays and huge vintage film reels) to the nostalgic (a red plastic Olivetti typewriter from the 1960s) as well as furniture ancient and (relatively) modern. Closed Mondays.



A GOOD GRILLING

6 Electric Mud BBQ

5 Brock Avenue, 001 416 516 8286,
electricmudbbq.com

It's worth the long lines here. The savoury saucy ribs and grits with gulf shrimp are quite the buzz at Colin Tooke and Ian McGrenaghan's Parkdale party house. Rather not wait? They now do take-outs, too.

BIG ITALIAN EATS

7 Porzia

1314 Queen Street West (at Brock Avenue), 001 647 342 5776

This southern Italian venue is a big-hearted neighbourhood restaurant, with offerings like tasty chicken liver agnolotti and vitello tonnato (a classic veal dish). Arrive early for dinner, as it gets packed.



COOL CANADIAN DESIGNERS

8 Shopgirls

1342 Queen Street West,
shopshopgirls.ca

A long-running Parkdale boutique featuring 80 Canadian designers, including top Montreal designer MéliSSa Nepton. For those who have a hard time finding clothes that fit properly, Shopgirls has launched an in-house "shop your shape" system.

ALFRESCO DRINKING

9 Cadillac Lounge

1296 Queen Street West,
cadillaclounge.com

Grab a pint and chill on the huge patio, listening to up-and-coming live bands from Friday to Sunday. This happening venue specialises in roots music and related genres like rock, rockabilly, blues, R&B and reggae in an unpretentious space.

VINTAGE COLLECTIBLES

10 Public Butter

1290 Queen Street West,
publicbutter.com

Here you'll find great vintage clothing, furnishings, salvage and collectibles, often at very low prices, especially during the several half-price sales throughout the year. Many of the items, which include classic Levis, suitcases and bags, are on sale for as little as \$20 (€14).



■ FOOD & DRINK { Oslo }

More Bang for your buck

A fan of forest, fjord and field, this young chef's reverence for natural ingredients has netted him Norway's only three Michelin stars

A mere 14 months after opening his 30-seat Oslo restaurant in 2010, a young, tattooed, red-haired chef called Esben Holmboe Bang received not one Michelin star, but two. And this year he has managed to make it three, meaning Maaemo is just one of two restaurants in the whole of Scandinavia with the maximum triple-star award. The man putting his own spin on classic dishes such as *rømmergraut* (a Norwegian porridge he makes with smoked reindeer and extra sour cream) has sourced his own suppliers – foragers, fishermen and small-scale farmers to provide everything he needs from his own

doorstep, eschewing ingredients that have travelled halfway around the world.

His exquisitely presented 20-dish tasting menu is a work of art, each forkful a storied expression of the Norwegian landscape and coastline. "I wanted to open a restaurant that was new in Norway," he said recently, "something that placed a lot of emphasis on nature." If his creative, highly technical interpretations of vegetables, herbs, traditional meats and fish are anything to go by, he has managed to gift diners at Maaemo his country on a plate. maaemo.no

✈️ FLY TO OSLO TWICE DAILY

Charred onions and quail's egg cooked in bone marrow with pieces of salted mutton in an onion vinaigrette with lemon thyme

Opposite: the minimalist restaurant dining room; the view from Maaemo across Oslo's Inner Fjord; Bang and his team busy in the kitchen



PHOTOGRAPHY BY CHRISTOPHER TONNESEN



THREE OF BANG'S BEST



NORWEGIAN SCALLOPS

Hidden beneath strips of freshly caught raw scallop is a puddle of house-smoked cream and a translucent sauce of white currants and heather oil. This clever subtle transformation of the humble scallop is testament to Bang's fine creative skills.



SMOKY & SWEET CHARRED PEAR

Bang's love of foraging in the countryside around Oslo sees this dish topped with last year's elderflowers which he pickles himself. When he's not creating in his kitchen Bang concerns himself with the art of pickling and fermenting through experimentation.



RØMMERGRAUT

A classic Norwegian porridge dish made with dried smoked reindeer and extremely sour cream topped with grated reindeer heart is the kind of highly creative interpretation of the country's staple dishes that first caught the attention of the Michelin Guide in 2012.



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■ SLEEP { Strasbourg / Seville }

THIS MONTH'S HOTEL PICKS

Hôtel Les Haras

23 rue des Glacières, +33 (0)3 90 20 50 00, les-haras-hotel.com



There's a regal touch to Les Haras, with its 18th-century stone facade. Surprisingly, though, this was never a palace. It began as royal stables created by Louis XV, before becoming a national stud farm, and then it was transformed by designer Patrick Jouin and architect Sanjit Manku into one of Strasbourg's most stunning hotels.

The 55 luxurious rooms, spread across a new wing and the old grooms' quarters, subtly (though extravagantly of course) take up the stables theme, with thick saddle leather framing the bedheads, masses of natural oak and quirky saddle stools. The hotel's real showstopper, however, is the restaurant, inside the soaring space of the grand royal stables. Masterminded by Michelin three-star chef Marc Haerberlin, it has instantly become one of Strasbourg's must-go addresses, with its sophisticated updating of Alsatian cuisine. Doubles from €150.

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El Rey Moro Hotel Boutique

Lope de Rueda, 14 elreymoro.com

Located at the heart of the picturesque old Jewish neighbourhood Santa Cruz, El Rey Moro is centred around a shady, peaceful Moorish-style courtyard, filled with flowers and lanterns. Exuding Andalusian charm (think terracotta tiled flooring, cheerful patterned throws) and full of character, the hotel also offers a chi-chi rooftop jacuzzi and a restaurant on the ground floor serving traditional Sevillian cuisine. Bedrooms are painted in bright hues and adorned with beautiful Moorish tiles. Doubles from €55 per night.

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DR Congo

I was beaten and tortured.



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17-year-old Chadrack spent one and a half months in pre-trial detention. He is now back in school.

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ART { London }

Beetle-mania

The vast Elytra Filament Pavilion providing extra shade to the London's V&A museum courtyard until November has been inspired by the forewing 'elytra' shells of flying beetles. Comprising 40 hexagonals – with more to come – their 'web' has been robotically fabricated from transparent carbon fibre, with an on-site robot producing new elements throughout the show.

vam.ac.uk ✈️ FLY TO LONDON THREE TIMES DAILY



People's Pops have gained a cult following all over New York with handmade popsicles such as Raspberry Bourbon and Strawberry Balsamic Negroni. Even Martha Stewart is a fan. **peoplespops.com**

JUST DESSERTS { New York / Berlin / Toronto }

Frozen-mania

For once, we don't mean Princess Elsa. We're talking about the latest batch of bizarre iced treats.

✈️ FLY TO NEW YORK DAILY; BERLIN FIVE TIMES DAILY & TORONTO FIVE TIMES WEEKLY



Chocolate 'iced balls' and 'sand' made with dried and powdered pecan nut, nori algae and mushroom ceps make up this genuine dessert from Falco restaurant in Leipzig, an hour and a half from Berlin. **falco-leipzig.de**



Gourmet parlour Booyah in Toronto now serves the waffle shells piled with three scoops of ice cream, whipped cream, two toppings and sauce. Yum. **booyah-inc.com**



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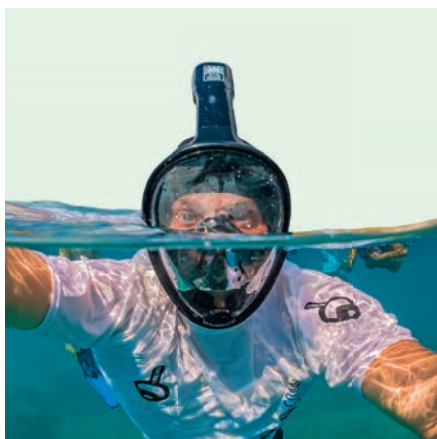




STUFF

Summer kit

How to float like a pineapple, smell like lemons and see underwater, plus a few other essential holiday items



Clockwise from top left: **Leica X-U** Shock, dust and waterproof, this 'super' camera ensures high-quality pictures however extreme the expedition. €3280, leica-camera.com; **Giant pineapple pool float** Make a tropical splash in the pool this year. €32, prezzybox.com; **Tom Ford Neroli Portofino Acqua** The (slightly more) affordable version of this delicious citrusy perfume is redolent of a summer breeze on the Italian riviera. €96, tomford.com; **H2O Ninja Mask** Never get your face wet again with this brilliant mask that covers everything. €147, h2oninjamask.com; **Cheapmash wooden sunglasses** Proving wood always looks good. €129, cheapmash.com; **Breezy Bed** A handy, easy-to-inflate chair/bed for anywhere – beach, pool, festival, garden – in a selection of eye-popping colours. €63, prezzybox.com

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■ THE BIG CITY GUIDE

Nantes

Home to giant puppets, mechanical marine monsters and Jules Verne, this former shipbuilding city is using “an epidemic of art” to create a bright future, discovers **Vicky Lane**



One of Royal de Luxe's extraordinary street puppet performances. The theatre company is one of Nantes' biggest arts successes

Nantes

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One morning in 2011, the citizens of Nantes woke to find a line had been painted on their streets, provoking mixed reactions. “Some felt their city had been defaced,” explains our guide Agnes Poras, as she tucks into the freshly made crêpe in front of her. “Others were annoyed the line bypassed their homes.”

It’s 11.45am and we’ve paused our tour to have an early lunch at popular crêperie **Heb Ken** (5 Rue de Guérande, heb-ken.fr) as according to Agnes, this is “the only way to ensure a table”. She isn’t wrong. The venue, with its bright red and yellow exterior, is near-empty when we arrive, but a queue soon forms, snaking down the cobbled street.

The painted line, Agnes continues, was an integral part of **Le Voyage à Nantes** (levoyageanantes.fr), a new tourism initiative. Originally pink in colour, it changed to green in 2013 to coincide with Nantes being designated the European Green Capital. Around 12km in length, it follows a cultural and historic tour of the city, to help ensure tourists find all of Nantes’ must-sees. These include the striking **Cathedral of St Peter and St Paul** (Place Saint-Pierre, cathedrale-nantes.cef.fr) and the moated, ‘floating’ fortress, the **Château des ducs de Bretagne** (4 Place Marc Elder) – both examples of fine, 15th-century Gothic architecture, the latter home to the **Musée d’Histoire de Nantes**.

The trail also passes through the architecturally impressive **Passage Pommeraye** (Rue de la Fosse): an ornate 19th-century shopping arcade popular with city strollers and home to fashion boutiques, tea rooms and speciality shops such as *chocolateries* – since 1843.

But these historic landmarks aren’t the sole highlights of Le Voyage à Nantes. “It’s hard to stand out when the competition is so extraordinary,” says Agnes. I understand what she means. In the three hours spent walking around the city before lunch, we’ve already stumbled across a handful of the route’s more unusual sights. In the city’s **Jardin des Plantes** (Rue Gambetta), we find a hedge in the shape of a giant snoozing chick. In the **Square Élixa Mercœur** (Cours John Kennedy), we come across a playground created by Japanese artist Kinya Maruyama, in the shape of a fierce, spiky sea monster. Meanwhile, the outsized **Mètre à Ruban** (tape measure), a work by artist Lilian Bourgeat, looks like it has been left by a giant outside the front of a construction company on rue La Noue Bras de Fer. “There’s been an art epidemic in Nantes,” says Agnes, gesturing all around her with a grin. “It’s everywhere!”

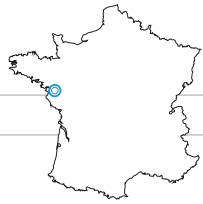
Art, as most Nantes residents will agree, has been the saviour of the city. Go back 30 years and this former shipbuilding hub was in a bad way: a grey, soulless place

Art by the river

There are 29 open-air artworks to be spotted along the Loire, with 12 in Nantes, including...

- **Serpent D’Océan** by Huang Yong Ping
- **Misceivable**, Erwin Wurm Le Pellerin
- **Villa Cheminée**, by Tatzu Nishi





1. Le Chateau des Ducs de Bretagne houses the Musée d'Histoire de Nantes 2. Crêperie Heb Ken is a popular spot for lunch 3. Follow the green line for Nantes' history and culture tour 4. Les Machines de l'île's incredibly lifelike mechanical elephant 5. 19th-century shopping arcade Passage Pommeraye 6. *Mètre à Ruban* by artist Lilian Bourgeat 7. Thought-provoking art such as river installation *La Maison dans la Loire* is everywhere in Nantes 8. The shimmering neon *Rings*, is part of Le Voyage à Nantes cultural tour

suffering repercussions from the closure of its shipyards in the late 1980s. Then, artistic director Jean Blaise came on the scene with a radical recovery plan to turn Nantes into a giant canvas, filling it with art and culture. Today, thanks to the staggering amount of creative projects and large-scale art installations, Nantes is considered one of France's most exciting and innovative cities. "There are more than 50 permanent pieces now dotted around," says Agnes. "Plus temporary exhibitions and performances are organised for the official Le Voyage à Nantes cultural event during July and August." (See levoyageanantes.fr for more details.)

A groundbreaking contribution to the city's arts scene is puppet street-theatre performance group, **Royal de Luxe**, which made Nantes its home in 1989. The company has played an integral part in the city's regeneration ever since – director Jean-Luc Courcoult is also responsible for *La Maison dans la Loire*, the famous submerged house installation on the river.

The idea behind Le Voyage, also Blaise's idea, was to join everything up, consolidating Nantes' new identity as a cultural hub. "It was amazing how people didn't even know we had a 12m mechanical elephant back then," remarks Agnes, with some disdain. She is referring to one of the many exhibits at **Les Machines de l'île** (Parc des Chantiers, Boulevard Léon Bureau lesmachines-nantes.fr) which we visit that afternoon in the former shipyard district, which has undergone a fantastic renovation.

It doesn't matter how many times you see the posters for this remarkable Jules Verne-inspired world of invention (the *Around the World in 80 Days* novelist was born here), there's an immense thrill about actually visiting it. You can ride a mechanical caterpillar, bird or spider, and choose from an array of sea creatures on the spectacular Under The Sea carousel. Plus, of course, there's the incredible Grand Elephant – an enormous, roaring, water-spraying creature capable of carrying 50 people up and down the river.

So, what is the local reaction to Le Voyage à Nantes today? "Oh, no one objects now," smiles Agnes. "In fact, a few people have tried to add lines to the trail to make it lead to their projects! That's what it's all about really – interpretation."



Eat this...

Gâteau Nantais: butter, sugar, almonds and Antilles rum are the key ingredients of this simple iced cake that's been made in Nantes since the early 20th century

Drink this...

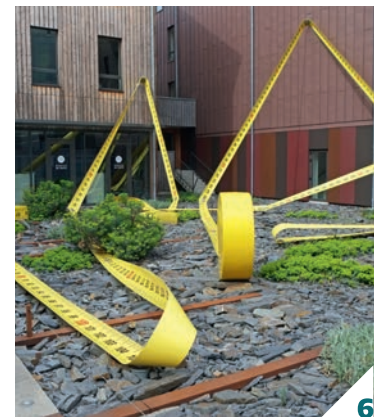
Muscadet: The light citrus-like taste of this dry, white wine from the neighbouring Loire Valley pairs particularly well with seafood such as oysters



Getting around...

From the airport: a shuttle bus (€7) runs to Nantes railway station (20 mins) and the city centre (25 mins)

In the city: While Nantes is very walkable, the city's bike-hire system, Bicloo (bicloo.nantesmetropole.fr), is also a good way to explore
For more travel info visit nantes-tourisme.com



The directory

Our pick of the best places to enjoy Nantes

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DRINK

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32e étage, Tour Bretagne, Place de Bretagne
lenidnantes.com

Reasonably priced drinks aren't all you'll find in 'the nest' located in skyscraper Tour Bretagne. Thanks to the imagination of Nantes-born illustrator Jean Jullien, the quirky bar not only has a spectacular 360-degree city view, but also an enormous white bird (pictured, right). Half-stork, half-heron, the creature watches over the city – its eyes move from time to time and its 'eggs' double as bar stools. A must-visit. Open till 2am most days.



La Comedie des Vins €€

4 Rue Suffren, +33 2 40 73 11 68

It was Cecile and Emeric Chambon's love for the area's local produce that made the husband-and-wife team pursue their long-held dream: to open their own cheese and wine bar. It's a good job, too, because the result is one of Nantes' cutest and cosiest spots that is, unsurprisingly, always packed with locals. Drink whatever is recommended by the expert oenophile owners and be sure to order a *plateau de charcuterie*: the board comes piled high with an outstanding array of regional cheeses and hams.

EAT

Sapio €€€

11 Rue de la Clavurerie, 44000, sapio-arts.fr

Food meets technology at this unique restaurant and cookery school in the city centre. You'll be handed an iPad to order from, and for good reason – the menu would need to be novel-sized to fit on all the interesting information about the origin of the carefully sourced produce. Expect an imaginative take on traditional bistro-style food full of interesting flavours: the roast duck confit is served with a tangy citrus sauce. And the wonderfully wobbly panna cotta dessert with basil and hibiscus syrup is nothing short of genius.



Bé2M €€

32 bis rue Fouré, 44000, be2m.eu

A 10-minute walk from the city centre, this marvellous concept bistro/wine bar/deli is the vision of former banker Mathieu Fredon. And it's a labour of love, from the fancy furnishings and minimalist black walls chalked with daily specials, to the excellent produce featured on the menu and in the deli. The food is confidently original: try the pea blinis with goats' cheese mousse and red pepper ice cream or the chocolate and avocado fondant with raspberry coulis. Add a 400-bottle wine list and regular live music, and it's no wonder this is a true Nantes highlight.

SLEEP

Radisson Blu Nantes €€

6 place Aristide Briand, 44000, radissonblu.com

Nantes' former courthouse – a striking, neoclassical building dating back to the 19th century – secured itself a second life in 2012 as Radisson Blu's latest four-star luxury hotel. An expensive refurbishment means that today, the only thing anyone staying here should be guilty of is extreme relaxation. Rooms are smartly minimal, kitted out in monochrome, while the spa has a sauna, relaxation area and state-of-the-art fitness centre. Lock up us, please. Rooms from €126.



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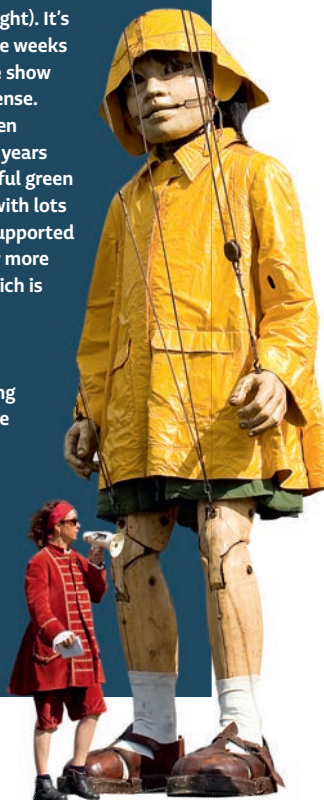
Love at first sight – with a giant rhino – led Susana Ribeiro to leave her native Lisbon and join giant puppeteers Royal de Luxe

"In 1998, during Lisbon's Expo, a number of theatre groups from Europe were invited to design and build a machine for a parade organised by a Portuguese theatre group. One of the groups was from Nantes called Royal de Luxe. Its act consisted of a 'rhinoceros' in a cage. I fell in love with Royal de Luxe and two years later, when the artistic director Jean-Luc Courcoult called me to join the company, I didn't hesitate.

My first performance was in 2000 in Valparaíso, Chile, with a show called *Little Black Tales*. This performance was created in Cameroon with recycled materials and consisted of little puppets and lots of poetry. Four people manipulated the puppets while I worked the legs. I still remember the shiver of excitement I got from performing with those puppets and I have such fond memories now of that show.

Over the years, my job with Royal de Luxe has taken me all over the world – Australia, China, South Korea, Vietnam, Canada, Europe and so many other countries. There's no such thing as a typical day because each project is different. Currently, I manage and do the voice for the *Little Girl Giant* (pictured right). It's hard work and the weeks running up to the show days are very intense.

Nantes has been my home for five years now. It's a beautiful green city on the river with lots of space. It has supported Royal de Luxe for more than 20 years which is so important for projects of this magnitude to be a success. Being a performer at the service of these 'giants' makes you part of the incredible fantasy created by Royal de Luxe."
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Dispatches from the global frontline

Robots running hotels? It's on the cards but can an Android give a truly personal service, asks **Boyd Farrow**

Given the hospitality sector's fondness for headline-generating gimmicks and reducing labour costs, it is hardly surprising that it has embraced the prospect of robots with such gusto. Every week the internet is abuzz with tales of diners having their meals delivered by drone, and with machines that can mix and serve cocktails with Antipodean perkiness.

In my opinion, anything that gets rid of unnecessary chitchat is a splendid idea – no one alive misses the manned elevator – even if it may be a little unnerving watching your soup tureen arrive by drone, or hearing the words “Sex On The Beach” in Stephen Hawking's voice.

Many seem to agree. One of America's hottest restaurant chains is completely automated. At Eatsa, you order via touchscreen, swipe a payment card, and retrieve your food from a cubbyhole, like those television game shows where blindfolded contestants stick a hand into a box and touch an amusingly-shaped vegetable or the head of a bald man. Soon home delivery may be small talk-free too, as the pizza chain Domino's readies its fleet of robots that can drop off pizzas. All we need now is a half-metre-wide letter box.

One forward-looking establishment that has enjoyed much publicity is Japan's Henn-na hotel, which is staffed entirely by robots – including a 'velociraptor' receptionist (not kidding). Hideo Sawada, president of Huis Ten Bosch, the company that owns Henn-na, envisages “hundreds” of similar hotels opening up worldwide within 10 years.

Mr Sawada says he particularly likes the idea of one in London, because he loves the British accent – adorably unaware that no British person has actually worked in hospitality since the 1980s. If it's authenticity he craves, he really needs a dinosaur who can speak Italian or Spanish.

But it is not just hotel operators in Japan who are experimenting with robot helpers. In a Marriott hotel in Ghent, a humanoid named Mario welcomes guests in 19 languages, orders taxis and patrols the buffet. While this is impressive, you have to wonder how ravenous the hotel's guests must be if they need Robocop guarding the bread basket.

Similarly, Hilton is testing a concierge robot named Connie,

after its founder Conrad Hilton. Guests at the Hilton McLean in Virginia can quiz it on local restaurants and tourist attractions. Aloft Hotels, meanwhile, is experimenting with Botlr, a housekeeper on wheels.

While this trio may look like something from your kid's toy box, those at the recent travel trade fair *ITB Berlin* were introduced to what may well be the future – Chihira Kanae, an android that looks spookily like a real woman. With “her” human features, Chihira is one of the most lifelike robots ever created – possibly capable of more facial expressions than Nicole Kidman.

According to a survey of 6,000 travellers by online booking firm Travelzoo, nearly two-thirds would be comfortable with the idea of being looked after by robots. Richard Singer, the company's European chief, says he personally welcomes the day when apps and machines will get us from lobby to room without the “service inconsistencies” of humans.

But here I have to disagree with Singer. It is precisely these inconsistencies that make leisure travel fun and business travel bearable. Hotel guests tend to have as much disdain for scripted conversations as they do for portion control and cookie-cutter decor. Just as we want to believe that we have bagged a room that is a little nicer than the others, and that our slice of pie is larger than everyone else's, we like to think that the receptionist's flirty smile or the concierge's conspiratorial whisper is just for us.

The other problem with robots, of course, is that they only know what they have been programmed to. A guide who can summon up the whole of Google in a split second is undoubtedly useful. But we can use our smartphone for that. It is far more rewarding when hotel staff recommend something that is not on TripAdvisor. Or when their personal contacts help score us a table or tickets.

Of course, what would be *really* helpful is if a hotel could introduce a robot that knows how to operate its in-room entertainment system.



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As Brussels Airlines prepares to fly 10,000 clubbers to Belgium's Tomorrowland festival, we look at the hottest headlining acts revellers can look forward to this month in Boom

Encountering roads under construction, Piet van Niekerk takes a detour through Rwanda to Burundi, experiencing volatile lakes, 12 kinds of beer and a perfect storm



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FLAVOURS of the World
— AIRPORT EXCLUSIVE —

Taking place in the appropriately named Belgian town of Boom, Tomorrowland is one of the biggest electronic dance-music festivals in the world. Kevin EG Perry takes a look at seven of the most exciting DJ acts performing this year

A wide-angle photograph of the Tomorrowland festival in Belgium. The scene is dominated by a massive, dense crowd of people filling the foreground and middle ground. In the background, a large, ornate, gothic-style castle with multiple spires and towers is illuminated. The sky is a mix of blue and orange, suggesting dusk or dawn. Several vertical streaks of purple and blue light or smoke rise from the crowd towards the castle. The overall atmosphere is vibrant and energetic.

CROWDED HOUSE

This year, Deadmau5 and Eric Prydz will host their own stage together, which promises to set the scene for one of the most memorable performances in the festival's history

DEADMAU5

Real name Joel Zimmerman, Deadmau5 is one of the world's most acclaimed DJs and producers, and a proven festival headliner around the world. This will be his first ever appearance at Tomorrowland, and the organisers are so pleased to have finally lured him in, that he'll be playing the festival on Friday night (22 July), back to back with star Eric Prydz. His seven albums – the first of which was 2005's *Get Scrapped* – have earned him three Juno awards, six Grammy nominations, over 9,000,000 Facebook fans and a string of hits, including *Professional Griefers*, *Sofi Needs A Ladder*, *Ghosts n Stuff* and *I Remember*.



ERIC PRYDZ

This ground-breaking Swedish house DJ has over a decade of experience at the top of dance music. He rose to prominence with his 2004 single *Call On*

Me, which sampled Steve Winwood's *Valerie* and topped the charts for five consecutive weeks.

Since then, Prydz has continued to put out music through his own label, Pryda, and has headlined venues around the world, from New York to London. This year he released his debut studio album *Opus*.

As well as his genre-defining music, Prydz is also renowned for his innovative live shows, featuring pioneering holograms and effects. This desire to push things forward has placed him at the vanguard of electronic music performers.



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Tomorrowland: at-a-glance

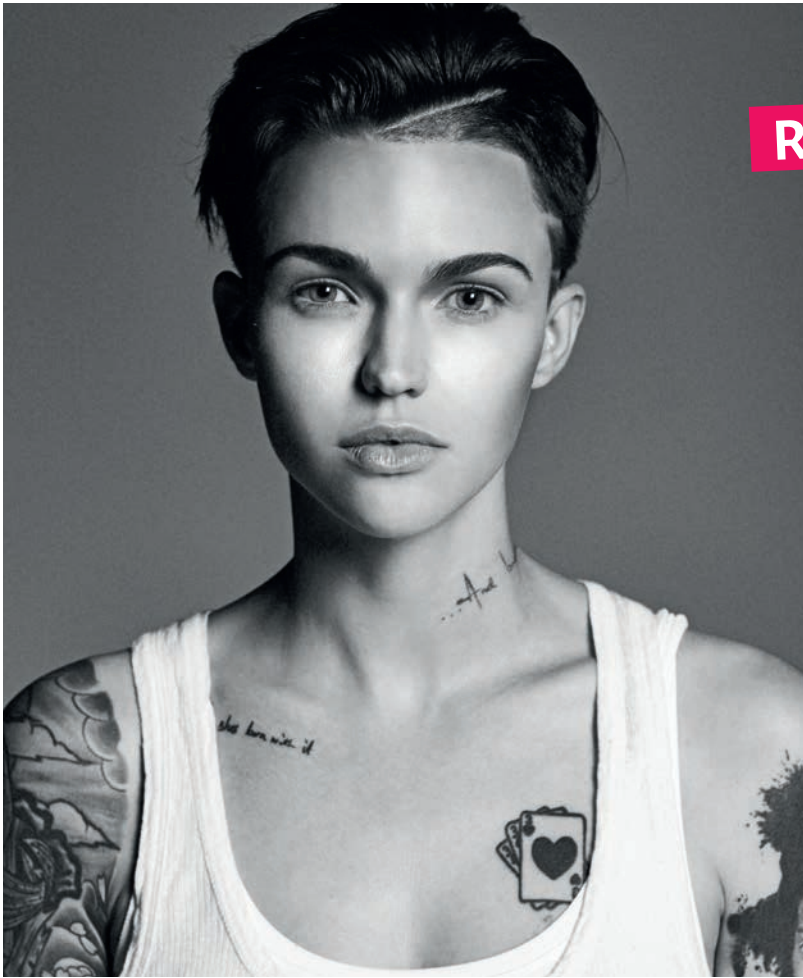
■ Tickets were sold out in a record-breaking 40 minutes this year, before the line-up had even been announced. So get set for 2017!



■ The theme of this year's festival will be The Elixir of Life



■ The first Tomorrowland festival took place in August 2005



RUBY ROSE

Playing the Lost Frequencies stage on Saturday, Rose is that rare creature: a television celebrity who's also a genuinely credible DJ. Since joining the cast of the hit Netflix prison comedy-drama *Orange Is The New Black* in 2015, the former presenter on *MTV Australia* has become an international name.

But she has little time for those who assume her DJ career is a way of cashing in on her new-found fame. She's been DJing since 2009 and released her first single, *Guilty Pleasure*, with Gary Go in November 2012. "It's just a Google away, but before you had heard of me, I still existed," she has told critics, adding: "I didn't wake up last week and buy a laptop. Everything I do is a result of hard work and I'm proud of it. Even if I had some less-than-desirable music choices and on-stage antics back in 2009."

She has also played with dance legends Erick Morillo, Skrillex and Calvin Harris, as well as touring with Nicki Minaj and Jessie J, so she'll arrive at Tomorrowland with bags of experience and – perhaps – with a point to prove that she's more than just a big name from a hit TV show.



LOST FREQUENCIES

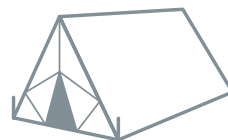
Towards the end of 2014, a young talent emerged from the Belgian house music scene to release a track hit that sampled American country singer Easton Corbin. *Are You With Me?* was a global smash and catapulted 20-year-old Felix De Laet to fame and six weeks at the top of the Belgian charts, followed by another big hit, *Reality*, in 2015 and *Beautiful Life* this year. These days, he's better known by his DJ moniker Lost Frequencies, playing to delirious crowds across Europe and the rest of the world who enthusiastically embrace his ethereal melodic sound.

Now 22, Lost Frequencies is no stranger to Tomorrowland, having played to crowds on home turf and at the inaugural Tomorrowland Brasil festival in Sao Paulo in May last year. The DJ/producer takes his inspiration from a diverse mix of musical genres, demonstrating particularly a love of hip-hop, drum and bass, pop and jazz, melding riffs, beats and samples to create his unique sound. Catch him, appropriately, on the Lost Frequencies stage on Saturday 23 July.

■ The festival has spawned spin-offs in Brazil and the USA



■ There's now a DreamVille camping area, although in the early days, fans simply camped right in front of the main stage



■ David Guetta is the only DJ to have played every year since the festival began

DAVID GUETTA



AXWELL / INGROSSO

Once upon a time, mainstream progressive house music was ruled over by one all-conquering Swedish super-group: the Swedish House Mafia. But the group split up in 2013 and from the remaining ashes rose Axwell / Ingrosso. As members of the Swedish House Mafia, Axwell (born Axel Christofer Hedfors) and Sebastian Ingrosso worked with the likes of Pharrell Williams, Tinie Tempah and Usher. But they're musical royalty themselves.

Axwell and Ingrosso are already firm Tomorrowland favourites, and online videos of their performance on the main stage last year have racked up hundreds of thousands of views online. That pales in comparison with their recent mega-hit *Sun Is Shining* and its video, which was filmed in Antwerp; it has so far had over 50 million views on YouTube.

The duo will headline the Tomorrowland main stage on the Saturday night (23 July), and it's a show that promises to delight Swedish House Mafia fans and win over new fans too. Former SHM band member Steve Angello will play on Sunday, with tunes from his debut solo album *Wild Youth* – so could a reunion be on the cards?



NINA KRAVIZ

Born and raised in Siberia, Kraviz didn't exactly have a direct or easy route into DJ-ing. As a young techno fan she was accepted into the prestigious Red Bull Music Academy (RBMA) when it was hosted in Seattle in 2005, only to discover that she couldn't get a USA visa. Luckily, the following year she managed to attend the RBMA in Melbourne and by 2008 she was playing at the Propaganda Club in Moscow.

Nowadays she's known as one of the most significant artists on the world's electronic scene, and the label she launched, Трп (which translates as 'Trip' in English), was chosen by *Mixmag* magazine as one of the best record labels of 2015.

Outside the studio, Kraviz has played festivals from Coachella in California to the Amsterdam Dance Event. But she's perhaps best-known from Ibiza, where she was a resident at the Enter club and is a regular at the Amnesia club's Cocoon parties. At Tomorrowland, Kraviz will play the Kozzmozz stage on Saturday (23 July), bringing to it her signature sound: a raw blend of house and techno with an acid feel.

Over 2,000,000 fans attempt to buy Tomorrowland tickets each year, but the capacity of the grounds is just 65,000



Tomorrowland has several floating stages which artists reach by boat



A full-service food and drink bar is devoted to Belgian chocolate



Tomorrowland has its own movie, *This Was Tomorrow*, and even its own newspaper, *Tomorrowland Today*





“Her music is a mix of everything from twilight techno and melancholic minimal to stripped down ghetto funk and sustained house. The only thing you can predict is that she’ll be unpredictable”

NASTIA

Playing the Cocoon stage on Sunday (24 July) is Ukrainian techno/house DJ Anastasia Topolskaia, known to the world as Nastia. Despite growing up in a small village, in a house without so much as a gramophone record, she has become one of eastern Europe’s fastest-emerging DJ talents.

Nastia started DJ-ing in clubs in Donetsk in 2005 and the following year she joined the line-up for the notoriously wacky KaZantip festival in Crimea. She launched her own label, Propaganda, in 2013, and has worked to make it a home for some of the most experimental sounds around.

Her music is a mix of everything from twilight techno and melancholic minimal to stripped-down ghetto funk and sustained house. The only thing you can predict is that she’ll be unpredictable. “Every time I try to mix it up,” she told the clubbing website

fabriclondon.com last year, adding, “Last summer and the summer before, I was playing more house and now I feel like I play more techno. I like drum and bass and dub techno, so I try to surf between all these styles.” Her eclectic taste has already ensured that she is a firm favourite around Europe.

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■ To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the festival, and to meet the high demand for tickets, the 2014 Tomorrowland festival was held over two consecutive weekends and sold a total of 360,000 tickets



■ Brussels Airlines will fly 9,720 people to the festival this year, and run 58 party flights, three with live DJs



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Kevin EG Perry choisit sept des meilleurs sept à l'affiche de Tomorrowland 2016

DEADMAUS

Le DJ et producteur canadien fera sa première apparition cette année, en tête d'affiche du festival le vendredi soir sur sa propre scène conçue spécialement, immédiatement suivi d'une autre star, Eric Prydz. Ses sept albums lui ont valu six nominations aux Grammy, 9 000 000 fans sur Facebook et un chapelet de tubes, dont *Professional Griefers*, *Sofi Needs A Ladder* et *Ghosts 'n' Stuff*.

RUBY ROSE

Rose, qui se produira sur la scène Lost Frequencies samedi, est une célébrité télévisuelle et une DJ réellement crédible. Depuis qu'elle a rejoint l'équipe de la série star de Netflix sur la vie carcérale, *Orange Is the New Black* en 2015, l'ancienne présentatrice australienne de MTV s'est fait un nom international. En fait, elle mixe depuis 2009 et a sorti son premier single, *Guilty Pleasure* avec Gary Go en novembre 2012. « Je ne me suis pas réveillée la semaine dernière pour acheter un portable. Ce que je fais est le fruit d'un vrai travail et j'en suis fière. »

LOST FREQUENCIES

À l'âge tendre de 22 ans, Lost Frequencies (Felix De Laet) a déjà ses habitudes à Tomorrowland, à domicile ainsi qu'au premier festival Tomorrowland Brasil de Sao Paulo en mai l'an dernier. Le DJ-producteur tire de divers genres musicaux l'inspiration d'un son unique où riffs, beats et samples démontrent son amour du hip-hop, du drum and bass, de la pop et du jazz. Il sera le samedi 23 juillet – les choses sont bien faites – sur la scène Lost Frequencies.

ERIC PRYDZ

Le DJ house suédois a plus de dix ans d'expérience au sommet de la dance. Il s'est fait connaître en 2004 avec son single dévastateur *Call On Me* qui samplait le *Valerie* de Stevie Winwood. Cette année, il a sorti son premier album studio, *Opus*. En plus de sa musique emblématique du genre, Prydz est connu pour ses spectacles novateurs. À Tomorrowland, il partagera sa propre scène, Mau5trap vs Pryda, avec Deadmau5. Performances mémorables en perspective.

AXWELL / INGROSSO

Il fut un temps où la house progressive mainstream était dominée par le super groupe Swedish House Mafia, trio qui s'est séparé en 2013. Axwell et Ingrosso ont décidé d'entretenir la flamme en duo. Ils ont collaboré avec Pharrell Williams, Tinie Tempah et Usher mais font eux-mêmes partie des stars et sont chouchous de Tomorrowland. Leur récent mégahit *Sun Is Shining* a été visionné plus de 50 millions de fois sur YouTube. Ils seront en tête d'affiche sur la scène principale le samedi soir.

NINA KRAVIZ

Née en Sibérie, Nina Kraviz, encore toute jeune fan de techno, est acceptée à la prestigieuse Red Bull Music Academy de Melbourne. Dès 2008, elle avait une soirée régulière au Propaganda Club de Moscou. Aujourd'hui, elle est connue comme une des artistes éminentes de la scène électronique et son label, « trip », a été élu label de l'année 2015 par *Mixmag*. À Tomorrowland, elle ravira les foules à la scène Kozzmozz le samedi avec son mélange brut caractéristique de house et de techno teinté d'acid.

NASTIA

La DJ techno/house ukrainienne Anastasia Topolskaia, alias Nastia, sera sur la scène Cocoon le dimanche. Elle a commencé à mixer dans des boîtes de Donetsk en 2005 pour, l'année suivante, se joindre au sauvage et légendaire festival Kazantip en Crimée. Elle a lancé son label, Propaganda, en 2013 pour mettre à l'honneur les sons expérimentaux. Sa musique est un mélange éclectique de la twilight techno au ghetto funk épuré, en passant par de la minima mélancolique. **22-24 juillet, tomorrowland.com**



En nu alle handen in de lucht!

Kevin EG Perry kiest de zeven beste acts op Tomorrowland 2016

DEADMAUS

Deze Canadese dj/producter is dit jaar voor het eerst op Tomorrowland. Hij is vrijdagavond de headliner van het festival met zijn eigen speciaal ontworpen podium xz, op dezelfde avond als zijn collega Eric Prydz. Zijn zeven albums hebben al geleid tot zes Grammy-nominaties, 9.000.000 Facebook-fans en een hele reeks hits als *Professional Griefers*, *Sofi Needs A Ladder* en *Ghosts 'n' Stuff*.

RUBY ROSE

Rose is niet alleen een televisiester, maar ook een getalenteerde dj. Ze staat op zaterdag op het podium van Lost Frequencies. Sinds ze in 2015 in de Netflix-gevangenisserie *Orange Is The New Black* verscheen, heeft de voormalige presentatrice van MTV Australia internationaal naam gemaakt. Ze werkt echter al sinds 2009 als dj en bracht in november 2012 samen met Gary Go haar eerste single *Guilty Pleasure* uit. "Je moet niet denken dat ik vorige week opeens een laptop heb gekocht. Alles wat ik doe, is het resultaat van hard werk, en ik ben er trots op."

LOST FREQUENCIES

Lost Frequencies (Felix De Laet) is nog maar 22, maar nu al een oude bekende van Tomorrowland. Hij trad zowel in eigen land op als tijdens het eerste Tomorrowland Brasil-festival in Sao Paulo vorig jaar. Deze dj/producter haalt zijn inspiratie uit een grote verscheidenheid aan genres en je hoort zijn liefde voor hip-hop, drum and bass, pop en jazz. Hij laat riffs, beats en samples in elkaar overvloeien om zijn unieke sound te maken. Op zaterdag 23 juli staat hij op het toepasselijke Lost Frequencies-podium.

ERIC PRYDZ

Deze Zweedse house-dj heeft al meer dan tien jaar ervaring aan de top van de dance-muziek. Hij brak in 2004 door met zijn single *Call On Me*, een wereldhit op basis van een sample van Steve Winwoods *Valerie*. Dit jaar bracht hij zijn eerste studioalbum *Opus* uit. Zijn muziek is niet alleen bepalend voor het genre, Prydz is ook befaamd om zijn vernieuwende liveshows. Op Tomorrowland verwelkomen hij en Deadmau5 hun gasten op hun eigen Mau5trap vs Pryda-podium, voor gegarandeerd memorabele shows.

AXWELL / INGROSSO

Ooit was de supergroep Swedish House Mafia de top van de mainstream progressive house. Het trio ging in 2013 uit elkaar, maar twee leden, Axwell and Ingrosso, besloten als duo verder te gaan. Sindsdien hebben ze samengewerkt met grote namen als Pharrell Williams, Tinie Tempah en Usher, maar ze zijn zelf al even groots, en een van de toppers op Tomorrowland. Hun recente megahit *Sun Is Shining* werd al meer dan 50 miljoen keer bekeken op YouTube. Ze zijn de headliner van het hoofdpodium op zaterdagavond.

NINA KRAVIZ

Als jonge technofan werd de Siberische Kraviz toegelaten tot de prestigieuze Red Bull Music Academy in Melbourne. Tegen 2008 speelde ze regelmatig in de Propaganda Club in Moskou. Tegenwoordig is ze een van de belangrijkste artiesten van de internationale electronic-wereld. Haar label 'Trip' werd in 2015 door *Mixmag* verkozen als label van het jaar. Op Tomorrowland bouwt Kraviz zaterdag een feestje op het Kozzmozz-podium met haar kenmerkende rauwe mix van house en techno met een vleugje acid.

NASTIA

Op zondag staat de Oekraïense techno/house-dj Anastasia Topolskaia, kortweg Nastia, op het Cocoon-podium. Haar dj-carrière ging in 2005 van start in clubs in Donetsk en het volgende jaar stond ze al op het legendarisch wilde Kazantip-festival in Crimea. In 2013 lanceerde ze haar eigen label, Propaganda, waar experimentele muziek welkom is. Haar eigen muziek is een mix van allerlei stijlen, van twilight techno en melancholisch minimalisme tot de echte ghetto funk. **22-24 juli, tomorrowland.com**

Piet van Niekerk finds himself diverted through the lush volcanic landscapes of East Africa to discover a volatile lake, some strong beers and the 'King of Burundi' himself

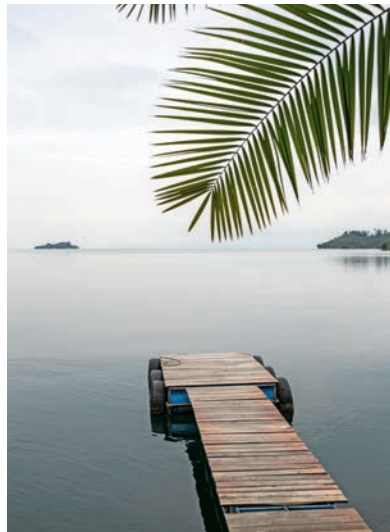
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A group of people, including children and adults, are gathered outdoors in a village setting. They are clapping and smiling, suggesting a joyful or celebratory occasion. The background shows traditional wooden buildings and lush green hills under a cloudy sky. The people are wearing traditional and modern clothing, including headwraps and patterned skirts.

DETOUR



AHEAD





ention Rwanda, and at best, it conjures up images of the 1988 movie, *Gorillas in the Mist*, featuring Sigourney Weaver's powerful portrayal of zoologist Dian Fossey who studied the great silverback gorillas in the mountain forests. At worst, the name recalls the shocking images from the repercussions of the 1994 civil war, as portrayed in the tense film drama *Hotel Rwanda* a decade later.

My own desire to visit the East African country is not to see the gorillas or the wounds of war, however, but to experience a part of this distinctive African country that hasn't been made into a Hollywood film: its rolling hills, volcanos, great lakes, friendly people – and the open road.

Teaming up with Olivier Kamberis of Expe-Dition Outdoor Safaris & Tours (facebook.com/expedition.bdi), we leave the capital, Kigali, early one morning to conduct our own adventure: embarking on "the road never travelled" to Bujumbura, Burundi's capital. Instead of taking the RN1, the main road south, we plan to head north-west towards the borders with Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, then make our way south from there. "That's definitely a road never travelled," Kamberis advises with a chuckle, "because it's still under construction!".

Prepared for a rocky ride, I soon realise it's not just the lack of a proper road responsible for flinging our Land Rover Defender from side to side like a bumper car. Within a couple of hours, we've entered the Musanze District or, in other words, volcano country, where the road – lined with massive boulders – rises and falls to a backdrop of what looks like a thousand rolling hills, blanketed with lush green vegetation. "It's why the Rwanda Film Festival has gained the nickname 'Hollywood'," Eric Kabera at the Kwetu Film Institute had told me when we met the day before. "Just drive across my beautiful country to see why."

It's on these hills and in these villages each year in July that thousands of people are entertained by films beamed to them on large inflatable screens. Hillywood (for 2016 dates, visit rwandafilmfestival.net) has been running since 2005, attracting filmmakers from around the world, competing for statuettes of silverback gorillas: Rwanda's very own version of the Oscars.

We opt to stay the night at the Hotel Muhabura in Ruhengeri, a quiet town on the edge of the Volcanoes National Park and where Dian Fossey stayed in the early

1980s when she came down from her gorilla camp in the mountains. Fossey always insisted on staying in 'bungalow' number 12. It's why, following her murder in 1985, the hotel resolved to keep her modest motel-style room exactly as she left it. Today it's still decorated with the same woven baskets, posters, bed and bamboo chairs.

I'm quickly realising that escaping 'film' in Rwanda – Hillywood, Hollywood or otherwise – is more difficult than anticipated. We've been advised to rise early the next day to catch a glimpse of Team Rwanda, the country's international cycling team, on their pre-breakfast practice on the climb towards Mount Karisimbi's volcanic peaks. It's the same group featured in the documentary *Rising from Ashes*. The award-winning 2012 film documents how Team Rwanda, with the aid of cycling legend Jock Boyer, overcame the trauma of the 1994 genocide to become globally recognised athletes. They are now bidding to become Africa's first all-black African team in the Tour de France.

Certainly, they've got off to a good start. Too good, in fact, for us. We've missed them by the time we reach the Africa Rising Cycling Centre, Team Rwanda's home. Consisting of 16 houses, a garden, kitchen and gym, it's a hub for African cycling, with a mission to develop the best local talent and build a world-class Team Rwanda.

Likely future members include the junior team, who we find gearing up for their own 90km session alongside American coach Daniel Matheny. "I always say to the youngsters: 'The power to get one of these bikes is in your own legs'," he explains, showing us the modern road bikes available to the most talented try-outs for Team Rwanda. Led by 18-year-old Joseph Areruya who claimed second place in the Tour du Rwanda last year, we agree to join them on wheels after negotiating a decent head-start. It makes no difference, of course. Within half an hour of bumping our way towards Mukamura en route to Lake Kivu, the peloton comes zooming past, the youngsters roaring with delight as we battle to keep up.

The expanse of Lake Kivu is vast and surprisingly tranquil for a water mass whose lake-bed effectively corks around 65 cubic kilometres of highly volatile methane gas, trapped for millions of years below the Rift Valley. Scientists hypothesise that volcanic interaction with the lake bed could force the methane out, sparking a massive explosion and creating a tsunami. As a result, the two million people living in the lake basin are at risk.

This knowledge makes a much-needed late evening sauna right next to Lake Kivu at the Moriah Hill Resort near Kibuye a thrilling, albeit unsettling, experience. But we manage to relax and rest our tired limbs as we sizzle in the Swedish-style wood-fired steam.

Kamberis soon puts my mind at rest, however, after informing me that the nearby Bralirwa Brewery in Gisenyi is one of a number of local initiatives doing their bit to minimise risk by extracting the bio-gas and using it to fuel its boilers. The Rwandan government has similarly

Clockwise from top: The vast calm waters of Lake Kivu; young cyclists training for Team Rwanda, which aims to be the first all-black African team in the Tour de France; the hotel where gorilla expert Dian Fossey stayed; Eric Kabera of the Kwetu Film Institute is proud of 'Hillywood'; Rwanda's growing film industry; fishing is key to the local economy; though vast like a sea, Kivu is a freshwater lake

Previous page: People of the Batwa pygmy tribe perform a welcome dance



Left from top: Heading through Rwanda towards Burundi, the roads are still being built; the Moriah Hill Resort near Kibuye offers Swedish-style saunas to relax in after a day's driving; Burundi's landscape makes for a lush backdrop

Right: The village of Busekera near the Kibira National Park is home to a tribe of Batwa pygmies



negotiated for an American company to use an offshore barge to extract and convert the gas to increase the country's energy generation by as much as 20 times.

The next day, chaos on the 'construction' section of the road means it takes five painful hours to travel 70km (not helped by a brewery-induced headache, though happily I'm not driving). It's not till late, when we reach Cyangugu, where the borders of Rwanda, Burundi and the Democratic Republic of the Congo triangulate, that things – including heads – begin to ease up. So much so, in fact, that after crossing the border into Burundi, we actually have time to leave the main road and explore.

Here we discover the small village of Busekera near the Kibira National Park, where around 100 Batwa pygmies live and work in a close-knit community. We stop to watch blacksmithing brothers Magambo and Maguge smelt daggers and repair rat traps. The tribe were once hunter-gatherers but have opted to change their traditional way of life to embrace a new and more modern way of living.

We are reluctant to leave the village with its warm hospitality – and lively dancing – but I'm keen to try the local banana beer sold next to the road on our final stretch into Bujumbura. We pull off at a line of informal taverns near the town of Bugarama and are soon joined by Elias Musavyi who's "in charge of everything"; from overseeing the grilling of the goat meat to managing beer stocks. "I'm the king of Burundi!" he proudly declares as we pose under a large mural depicting the logo of the locally brewed Primus Lager. I decide to stick with that after just one sip of the home-brewed banana beer; I get the feeling this potion packs too much of a punch, even for me.

Like many African capitals, Bujumbura's streets are teeming with activity around the busy markets and intersections. Unbeknownst to us, 'Buja' is also the party capital of East Africa, something that is confirmed in the ▶



Blacksmiths Magambo and Maguge are two brothers who belong to a close-knit Batwa pygmy community that has opted to embrace a more modern way of life





downstairs nightclub of Kiss Restaurant, one of the many nightclubs in the city. We are greeted by lasers, flashing lights, smoke machines and a mass of rhythmic bodies.

By the time we leave Kiss Club we have to shade our eyes from the glare of the morning sun. Despite the desire to sleep, we have an appointment to go fishing on Lake Tanganyika. As we sail from the jetty, we slow down to pass four hippos eyeing us from too close a distance. But they are the least of our problems.

Lake Tanganyika is the second largest freshwater lake in the world, and the moment we reach what seems to be the exact middle of it, a storm erupts without warning and with such ferocity that waves threaten to overwhelm our boat. I can sense from the panic in our skipper's voice that we are in serious trouble. Rain buckets down from the black sky above. Terrified, I grab the bait bowl to scoop water from the boat as we head for shore as fast as we can, while our photographer shields his cameras in between shouts of "I didn't sign up for a near death experience!". Then, as suddenly as the storm started, it ends. I'm thinking of getting George Clooney on the phone, as I've just hit on the script for *Perfect Storm II*.

But that's the thing about this incredible part of Africa; it's so vibrant, so dynamic, so wild and full of unexpected detours that you are constantly presented with a dramatic script. But forget Hollywood – just head a little off road for your very own adventure drama.



Clockwise from top left: Elias Musavyi, the self-styled 'King of Burundi'; the buzz of Burundi's capital city; diverse and vibrant – life in Bujumbura; a storm is brewing as the fishing boat leaves the shore; writer Piet van Niekerk surveys the coming storm on Lake Tanganyika

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FR Et...ca tourne!

Au Rwanda Piet Van Niekerk vit une aventure de cinéma

Lorsqu'on parle du Rwanda, on pense aux images du film de 1988 *Gorilles dans la brume* ou on se souvient de l'horreur de la guerre civile de 1994, montrée dans *Hôtel Rwanda*. Mais je veux découvrir un aspect de ce pays africain unique qui n'ait pas été filmé par Hollywood : ses collines ondoyantes, ses volcans, ses grands lacs, la gentillesse de ses habitants – et la route.

Nous quittons Kigali tôt le matin pour prendre « la route jamais empruntée » vers Bujumbura, capitale du Burundi. Au lieu d'opter pour celle plus évidente, par le sud, nous nous dirigeons vers le nord-est et les frontières avec l'Ouganda et la RDC, avant de repiquer au sud. « Nous sommes vraiment hors des sentiers battus, s'esclaffe Kamberis, la route est toujours en construction ! »

Nous logeons à l'Hôtel Muhabura à Ruhengeri, ville paisible à l'orée du parc national des volcans, où Dian Fossey résida au début des années 80 lorsqu'elle redescendit de son camp de montagne d'observation des gorilles. Nous nous levons tôt le lendemain pour apercevoir Team Rwanda, l'équipe cycliste nationale, qui s'entraîne sur la route de montagne menant aux pics volcaniques du Mont Karisimbi. C'est le groupe qu'on voit dans le long métrage documentaire *Rising from Ashes* et qui s'apprête à être la première équipe d'Afrique composée uniquement d'Africains à participer au Tour de France.

Plus loin, le Lac Kivu offre une vaste étendue d'eau douce dont le lit retient 65 km³ de méthane volatile emprisonné depuis des millions d'années sous la vallée du Rift. Kamberis me rassure : la brasserie toute proche de Bralirwa, à Gisenyi, est une des initiatives locales s'efforçant de réduire les risques en extrayant le biogaz pour alimenter ses chaudières.

Le lendemain, le chaos sur le tronçon « en construction » de la route nous fait mettre cinq pénibles heures pour accomplir les 70 km jusqu'au Burundi. Nous y visitons le petit village de Busekera, près de la forêt nationale de Kibira, où une centaine de Pygmées batwa vivent en communauté unie. Nous y observons les frères forgerons Magambo et Maguge fabriquer des dagues et réparer des pièges à rats.

À l'instar de nombreuses capitales africaines, à Bujumbura les rues bourdonnent d'activité autour des marchés et des carrefours. On le sait moins mais « Buja » est aussi la capitale de la fête en Afrique de l'Est, ce que nous confirme notre visite au Club Kiss.

En dépit du manque de sommeil, nous pêchons le lendemain matin sur le Lac Tanganyika, deuxième plus grand lac d'eau douce du monde. Mais une tempête éclate sans prévenir et avec une telle violence que les vagues menacent de couler notre bateau. La panique de notre skipper est palpable : nous sommes en danger. Des trombes d'eau se déversent des cieux noirs. J'ai l'impression d'être dans le script d'En Pleine tempête II.

Il est comme ça, ce coin d'Afrique : si sauvage et plein de tours et détours inattendus que tout est matière à scénario. Oubliez Hollywood : pour que ça bouge, sortez des sentiers battus et vivez votre propre aventure.

NL En... actie!

Piet van Niekerk waant in Rwanda zich in een film

Het woord Rwanda doet denken aan *Gorillas in the Mist*, de film uit 1988, of aan de schokkende burgeroorlog van 1994, zoals te zien in de film *Hotel Rwanda*. Ik wil echter op een andere manier kennismaken met dit aparte Afrikaanse land: de glooiende heuvels, de vulkanen, de grote meren, de vriendelijke bevolking... en de avontuurlijke wegen.

Het is nog vroeg als we vanuit Kigali de "nog nooit eerdere gevolgte route" nemen naar Bujumbura, de hoofdstad van Burundi. In plaats van de gebruikelijke route naar het zuiden willen we eerst naar het noordwesten rijden, naar de grens tussen Uganda en de DRC, en daarna pas naar het zuiden. "Die route is inderdaad nog nooit gevolgd", lacht Kamberis, "want de weg is nog niet gereed!"

We overnachten in het Hotel Muhabura in Ruhengeri, een rustig stadje aan de rand van het Volcanoes National Park waar Dian Fossey begin jaren 1980 verbleef toen ze van haar gorillakamp in de bergen kwam. De volgende dag staan we vroeg op om Team Rwanda, het nationale wielerteam, te zien oefenen op de bergweg naar de vulkanische bergtoppen van Mount Karisimbi. Over deze groep gaat ook de documentaire *Rising from Ashes*. Zij proberen om als eerste volledig Afrikaanse wielerteam te mogen deelnemen aan de Ronde van Frankrijk.

Het Kivumeer is een reusachtig zoetwatermeer. Zijn bedding vormt als het ware een kurk voor de 65 kubieke km vluchtig methaangas die al miljoenen jaren onder de Rift-vallei vastzit. Kamberis stelt me al snel gerust: de nabijgelegen Bralirwa-brouwerij in Gisenyi is een van de lokale initiatieven die helpen om het risico te beperken, door het biogas te winnen en het als brandstof voor zijn ketels te gebruiken.

De volgende dag doen we er door de chaos van de wegenwerken vijf ellendige uren over om de 70 km naar Burundi te overbruggen. Daar bezoeken we het dorpje Busekera nabij Kibira National Forest, waar een honderdtal Batwa-pygmeeën in een hechte gemeenschap wonen. We kijken toe hoe de broers Magambo en Maguge, beiden smid, dolken smelten en rattenvallen herstellen.

In zoals vele andere Afrikaanse hoofdsteden is er van alles te doen rond de drukke markten en kruispunten in Bujumbura. Maar wat wij nog niet wisten, is dat 'Buja' ook de hoofdstad van het uitgaansleven in Oost-Afrika is, dat ontdekken we al snel in Club Kiss.

Hoewel we graag zouden slapen, gaan we de volgende ochtend vissen in het Tanganyikameer, het tweede grootste zoetwatermeer ter wereld. Maar plots steekt een felle storm op en dreigen de golven onze boot te overspoelen. Uit de paniek in de stem van onze kapitein kan ik afleiden dat we diep in de nesten zitten. Het giet vreselijk, de lucht is zwart en ik waan me in een script voor *Perfect Storm II*.

Maar dat is het bijzondere aan dit deel van Afrika: het is zo wild en vol onverwachte wendingen dat het script van je bezoek voortdurend wordt aangepast. Vergeet Hollywood. Wil je echt wat drama beleven, wijk dan een beetje van de weg af en je beleeft gegarandeerd een avontuur.



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The great Virginian oyster trail

With the fishermen of Chesapeake Bay run off their feet by the demand for freshly shucked oysters, **Mike MacEacheran** journeys along the east coast of Virginia to sample the flavours of America's latest culinary destination

Illustration **Patrick Morgan**

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he low hum from the outboard motor of Michael Robertson's boat tells him that he is in safe waters, charting the same course his grandfather once took. He relishes the simple pleasure of casting off from the boardwalk dock, just metres from his front door, confident in the knowledge that in the pre-dawn darkness he can navigate his way to remoter waters on the Rappahannock River estuary. But his contentment runs deeper still. As we listen to the soft put-put of the propeller blade, we come upon the treasure his community relies upon: a simple wire-mesh cage, six-feet deep, six inches off the sandy bottom and packed with ready-to-harvest, buttery Chesapeake Bay oysters. This is a bumper pay day.

"These little guys are putting us back on the map," says Robertson, the farm manager for the Rappahannock Oyster Company, hooking a crate from the coastal shallows and hoisting it into the sunlight. He pivots the boat's winch, landing the cage on the deck, where 2,000 tightly closed shells cascade across the deck – a briny wave of maritime gold. "Now that's what I call fast food," he laughs.

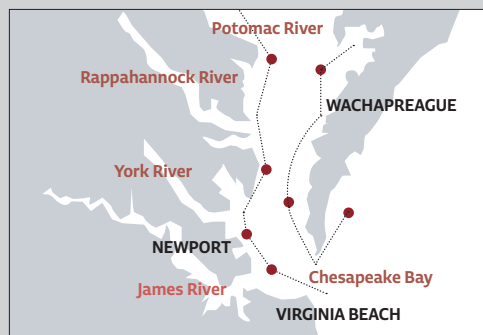
The key to a quality oyster, Robertson says with a razor-sharp pocket knife in his hand, is perseverance. The whole process is painstaking and, depending on seasonal weather, very hit or miss. But given enough time, the oystermen of Chesapeake Bay can pull in harvests of up to 25,000 oysters a day per boat.

After the catch, there are three oyster variables to consider: shape, colour and edge. An oyster should have a thick shell, Robertson explains, to protect it from harmful red algal blooms, and its colour should be sea-green, aquamarine-blue and purple – this shows it is growing in mineral-rich waters. The real prize, though, is an oyster that is deep-cupped and easy to open. "Just look at this guy here," he says, knocking-off its top protective coat. "He's a beautiful three-incher. Not too big, not too little. Fat, shuck-able meat all the way to the brim. He's almost perfect." Robertson offers it across, carefully, and I taste it. Its unexpected silky sweetness hits me like a warm hug.

Until recently, oysters were just a substitute – the items on a seafood menu that people didn't really want, but would eat if they had to. What Americans really wanted was Atlantic lobster, Gulf-coast shrimp, either Cajun-spiced or Louisiana-style, or a pile of rose-pink snow or king crab legs, shuttled inland from a Maryland or Alaskan trawler. The oyster was relegated to second-class status, rolled in flour and deep-fried, then served as an afterthought in the middle of a po' boy sandwich (a traditional Louisiana sub) at a roadside diner, its taste lost in a smothering of coleslaw. A poor boy, indeed.

But it seems something is changing. In the past few years, oysters have gained in market value. Lobster and prawn catches are down, prices are up, and communities around Chesapeake Bay, the Potomac River and the Rappahannock River are stepping into the vacuum. In times like these, Virginians now roast bushels of oysters on weekends, and

Take the oyster route





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Your guide to the East Coast oyster 'merroir'

1. Rappahannock River oysters

Mineral-rich with an underlying sweetness, these deep-cupped bivalves offer a buttery, full-bodied taste with a crisp finish that seems longer than the 2016 presidential campaign. They have a historical context, too, having been dredged off the coastal shallows near Topping since 1899.



2. Stingrays

These Milford Haven oysters are fat and plump, and almost have a crunch. For many, their mild, salty finish is the quintessential Virginian oyster experience.



3. Olde Salts

A bold, heavy saline flavour characterises these molluscs. Harvested on the Atlantic Ocean side of Chesapeake Bay, they deliver a seaside brininess with a sharp but clean follow-through.

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the more adventurous are going for the full-on oyster experience, swallowing them whole, raw and with mignonette (a vinegar and shallot dip) – big in Europe, but one almost unheard of in rural parts of the United States. More discerning oyster diners are even talking about 'merroir', a flavour phenomenon similar to terroir, which wine connoisseurs use to define the nuances of different wines. Merroir defines oysters according to their mineral characteristics, ranging from salty to sweet.

At the centre of all this is the new Virginia Oyster Trail (just 90 minutes' drive from Washington Dulles Airport), a loosely themed experiential route focusing on 'aqua artisans', shellfish restaurants and eco tours of the area's coastal farms and wineries. On the map, you can trace a tour across the jigsaw puzzle-shaped peninsula of the Northern Neck of coastal Virginia, joining the dots on a culinary path from Virginia Beach in the south all the way to Alexandria, a proud, historic town so close to Washington DC it knocks on the back door of the US capital.

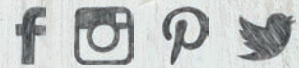
My tour takes me a week but the end is never the point on a journey like this, and there are some wonderful distractions to take me off-route. Near Montross, I head to Stratford Hall, to explore the boyhood home of Richard Henry Lee and Francis Lightfoot Lee, brothers who both signed the



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American Declaration of Independence. And at Pope's Creek, I see George Washington's Birthplace National Monument, a farmstead with the whiff of an 18th-century tobacco plantation.

Between times, I stop at Merroir, the Rappahannock Oyster Company's dockside restaurant in Topping, for oysters baked with ham and herbs and a half-dozen grilled in BBQ bourbon chipotle sauce. At the Dog and Oyster Vineyard in Irvington, I try the chilli-spiked mollusc tacos and a glass of citrus-crisp Chardone. Along the way there are delightful fishing villages, oyster shacks painted in candy stripes with clapboard signs reading "Eat Mo' Oysters", and inland roads populated by Dutch-era farms and timber-framed huts – the architecture here is utterly charming.

The pleasure-inducing dopamine rush from eating so many delicious water-fresh specimens is also increased by the number of worthy farmstead vineyards inviting me to take yet another break. Tucked off main roads, sometimes just a spittoon's

“More discerning oyster diners are even talking about 'merroir', a flavour phenomenon similar to terroir, which wine connoisseurs use to define wine flavours”

throw away from the breezy Atlantic coast, they lurk in thickets of English walnut and cherrybark oak trees and lure you in.

I visit Good Luck Cellars in Kilmarnock, Virginia, and sample a glass of Chardonnay with co-owner Katie Krop. And next I cross into Westmoreland County, and pop into Ingleside Vineyards, a family-run estate winery that is proud of its old-world flavours. “Virginia doesn't get a lot of attention for its wines,” manager Chris Flemer tells me, recommending a Spanish-influenced Albariño to pair with my oysters that evening. “But we've succeeded in growing grapes where Thomas Jefferson failed. Maybe we put more work into each bottle than he did.” Later I muse that, if the meaning of life lies at the bottom of a glass, it might just lie here.

A road trip through Virginia's Northern Neck is a wonderful way to experience oyster dining and its history, with the rise, fall, and rise again of the proud fishing traditions of the Chesapeake Bay watermen. To some there may be little joy in similarity, but when eating Virginia's finest, freshest, just-off-the-boat oysters washed down with local wine, more of the same is delightful.

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FR La grande piste de l'huître Virginie

Mike MacEacheran emprunte la récente Virginia Oyster Trail et découvre la nouvelle destination gastronomique incontournable des États-Unis

« Ces petites choses nous ont rendu notre notoriété, dit Michael Robertson, directeur de la ferme ostréicole de la Rappahannock Oyster Company, remontant en surface une cage des eaux peu profondes de l'estuaire de la Rappahannock. » Il pose le casier sur le pont et y renverse quelque 2 000 coquilles solidement fermées : un petit trésor marin et salé.

Le secret d'une huître de qualité, affirme Robertson, canif bien affûté en main, est la persévérance. Le processus est long et laborieux et, selon le météo saisonnière, assez aléatoire. Mais avec suffisamment de temps, les ostréiculteurs de la Chesapeake Bay peuvent récolter jusqu'à 25 000 huîtres par jour par bateau.

Ces dernières années, les huîtres ont pris de la valeur sur le marché.

Les prises de homards et de crevettes sont en recul, les prix en hausse et les communautés de la vaste baie de Chesapeake s'engouffrent dans la brèche. De nos jours, les Virginiens font rôtir des boisseaux d'huîtres le week-end ou les avalent entières et crues, à l'européenne, pratique extrêmement rare dans la campagne américaine. Les gourmets les plus avertis parlent même de « merroir », un profil de saveurs similaire au terroir viticole, où les mollusques développent un enrichissement caractéristique en minéraux, avec un goût allant du salé au sucré.

Au cœur de ce mouvement, la nouvelle Virginia Oyster Trail, la « Napa Valley des bivalves », parcours découverte centré autour de l'artisanat aquatique, de restaurants de fruits de mer, d'écotourisme dans des élevages côtiers et de vignobles. Sur la carte, on peut tracer un itinéraire d'une semaine à travers la péninsule en dents de scie du nord de la Virginie, reliant les étapes gastronomiques de Virginia Beach au sud à Alexandria tout en haut, ville fière de son patrimoine historique proche de Washington.

Parce que l'arrivée n'est pas l'essentiel d'un tel périple, les distractions sont nombreuses. Le visiteur vire vers une myriade de destinations fascinantes, comme le lieu de naissance de George Washington à Pope's Creek. Je m'arrête dans un restaurant sur les quais de Topping pour une demi-douzaine d'huîtres grillées à la sauce barbecue. En route, d'adorables villages de pêcheurs, des maisons d'ostréiculteur peintes d'écriteaux aux rayures acidulées annonçant « Eat Mo' Oysters » (mangez plus d'huîtres) et des routes dans les terres semées de fermes de l'époque hollandaise et de cabanes en bois.

Il y a aussi des petits vignobles valant le détour, souvent nichés à l'écart des routes, parfois à un jet de pierre de l'air marin de la côte atlantique et de l'abondance de ses parcs à huîtres. À sa manière, un périple au nord de la Virginie est un essai sans faute sur la gastronomie huître à l'histoire traversée par les splendeurs et misères puis re-splendeurs des fières traditions des pêcheurs de la baie de Chesapeake.

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NL De grote Virginia oester trail

Mike MacEacheran volgt de pas aangelegde oesterroute van Virginia (de Virginia Oyster Trail) en treft er een gloednieuwe culinaire bestemming in de VS aan

"Deze schatjes zetten ons terug op de kaart", zegt Michael Robertson, manager van de oesterkwekerij Rappahannock Oyster Company, terwijl hij een krat uit het ondiepe water aan de rand van de riviermond van de Rappahannock-rivier hijst. Als de krat in de boot belandt, verspreiden zich zo'n 2000 gesloten schelpen over het dek, een brakke golf van maritiem goud.

Het geheim achter kwaliteitsoesters, zegt Robertson met een vlijmscherp zakmes in zijn hand, is volharding. Er komt veel precisie bij kijken en afhankelijk van het weer kan de oogst slagen of mislukken. Maar als de oestermannen van Chesapeake Bay voldoende tijd krijgen, kunnen ze wel 25.000 oesters per dag per boot binnenbrengen.

De voorbije jaren is de marktwaarde van oesters gestegen. De kreeft- en garnalenvangst dalen, de prijzen stijgen, en de gemeenschappen in het grote gebied van Chesapeake Bay halen daar hun voordeel uit. In periodes als deze roosteren de plaatselijke bewoners grote hoeveelheden oesters in het weekend, of slikken ze de oesters in hun geheel rauw naar binnen, zoals in Europa, maar ongehoord op het Amerikaanse platteland. Fijnproevers hebben het zelfs over 'merroir', naar analogie met 'terroir' of wijnstreek, want de eigenschappen van de oesters verschillen door de invloed van de mineralen, van zout tot zoet.

Het nieuwe Virginia Oyster Trail, 'Napa Valley met tweekleppigen' is een ervaringsgerichte themaroute rond aqua-ambachtslieden, restaurants gespecialiseerd in schaaldieren, ecologische excursies bij de kwekerijen langs de kust, en wijnmakerijen. U kunt op de kaart een rondrit van een week uitstippelen dwars over het puzzelvormige schiereiland van de noordelijke landengte van de kust van Virginia. Het is een culinaire route van Virginia Beach in het zuiden tot helemaal in Alexandria, een trotse historische stad nabij Washington DC.

Omdat de eindbestemming nooit belangrijk is bij een dergelijke route word je vaak omgeleid en afgeleid met allerlei fascinerende bezienswaardigheden, zoals de geboorteplaats van George Washington

in Pope's Creek. Ik stop even voor een maaltijd van zes gegrilde oesters in barbecuesaus in een restaurant in de haven van Topping. Onderweg zie ik prachtige vissersdorpjes, oesteretcafés met vrolijk gestreepte uithangborden met de boodschap 'Eat Mo' Oysters' (Eet meer oesters), en boerderijen en vakwerkhuisjes uit het Nederlandse tijdperk langs de wegen naar het binnenland.

Ik zie ook een aantal mooie wijnboerderijen, vaak een eindje van de grote wegen gelegen, soms op een steenworp van de winderige Atlantische kust en zijn rijke oesterbassins. Eigenlijk kun je een rondrit langs de noordelijke landengte van Virginia zien als een vlot essay over oesters als delicatessen, een geschiedenis van de opkomst, ondergang en nieuwe opkomst van de trotse vistradities van Chesapeake Bay.

capitalregionusa; virginia.org



TEMPORARY TREASURES

Throughout 2016, La Boverie will be a temporary home to some incredible works of art. The *En Plein Air* exhibition (5 May to 15 August) explores the theme of open air, underscoring the strong link between the museum and the park that surrounds La Boverie. Based on a chronological journey of more than 120 works, this exhibition is built around collections from about 50 European and American institutions and showcases works by famous painters such as Monet, Picasso, Cézanne, Matisse, Léger and Corot.



MARC VERVOORT: EN PLEIN AIR

LA BOVERIE: A TROVE OF ARTISTIC TREASURES

La Boverie is teaming up with The Louvre in Paris to provide a permanent home for Liège's masterpieces, turning the city into an exciting new hub for art and culture

Launched earlier this year, La Boverie is the driving force of Liège's new campaign which aims to make the city a thriving hub of creativity. A first-class exhibition centre, it is also the home of Liège's finest arts.

The building's blend of modern and historic architecture embodies the spirit of Liège, with part of the museum comprising a structure built for the 1905 World's expo, and a fresh extension in the form of a new modern wing designed by the architect Rudy Rocciotti.

La Boverie was designed to showcase the best contemporary creations alongside a catalogue of historical works. To further this goal, the museum has entered into a partnership with The Louvre, which will help create three exhibitions, one each year, until 2018. The plan is for The Louvre to supervise the exhibition design for both the temporary and permanent collections for the first year of the partnership, with the two institutions working together on matters of public mediation and educational activity.

One storey of the building hosts some of the finest pieces of art in Liège. A collection with a rich past, it first took shape when Napoleon Bonaparte donated his portrait, by the French painter Ingres, to the City of Liège in 1805. The collection includes works from some of the most important names in artistic history, dating back to the Renaissance, with some of art's biggest names on display, including Gauguin, Picasso,

Delvaux, Ensor, Boudin, Magritte and Gerard de Lairese. But don't worry if you're not up to date, for example, on architect/painter Lambert Lombard trivia - the museum's tour will guide and inform you, with interactive support available in four different languages.

La Boverie's upper level is also home to some excellent temporary exhibitions, with around 3,000m² of space dedicated to showcases featuring names such as Monet, Cezanne, Matisse, Ensor and Léger.

The museum is also an inviting environment for children, who can follow a special museum treasure map to discover art in a fun way, through games and accessible information. Visitors will want to stop by the bookshop too, where the museum sells a selection of art books devoted to Liège's cultural heritage, as well as guides to La Boverie's exhibitions and collections.

But La Boverie is more than just a museum. Located in the building's historical rotunda with a beautiful terrace overlooking the park, Madame Boverie offers visitors an excellent restaurant in a chic, modern environment. Picnic baskets are available from La Boverie's store to enjoy in the park, an area so picturesque, it could have been painted by Monet himself.

laboverie.com



THE SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

Whether as a mixer for a cocktail or as a soft drink to enjoy in its own right, Double Dutch's new range of superlative drinks brings a fresh twist to old ideas

The best thing about drinks in the city is the variety - hipsters have their craft-beer, there's endless varieties of coffee for aficionados and wine connoisseurs are spoiled for choice. But what is there for the spirit drinkers? While the choice of actual spirits continues to grow, mixers and sodas have remained disappointingly bland - and plain old soda water is beginning to lose its sparkle.

It's no surprise that a company from the birthplace of gin is addressing the issue. Founded by twins Joyce and Raissa de Haas from the Netherlands, Double Dutch aims to bring new life to old spirits, with a range of mixers that will enhance and enliven vodkas and gins, and make creating cocktails at home a much simpler process. They can also stand on their own as great-tasting beverages, providing a healthy, low-sugar soft drink.

The de Haas sisters' mixers have impressed on the public stage, with Richard Branson awarding them a Foodpreneur award for their innovative beverage brand and praising the



duo for their pioneering attitude.

Double Dutch was created from a love of soft drinks and the desire to experiment.

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24 BEACHES YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS SUMMER

From urban sands to empty wildernesses and the biggest party scenes: two dozen beaches to enjoy, whatever your thing

CITIES ON THE BEACH

1. Barcelona, Spain

This city really does have it all: an unparalleled foodie scene boosted by the driving influence of elBulli boy Albert Adria, spectacularly original architecture thanks to Antoni Gaudi, its own city hill, Montjuic, for views, *and* it's right on the Mediterranean. The city's coastline was once a dingy port area, but thanks to the wholesale sprucing up of the seafront for the 1992 Olympics, the city now has no fewer than six beaches. The closest is Barceloneta, next to the Port Olímpic. With a nice boardwalk feel, the beachfront is lined with lively bars and restaurants, perfect for people-watching in the evening. Ever since the Olympics re-energised and re-focused the city, Barcelona prides itself on the upkeep of its beaches which are largely clean, with proper amenities that cater for people with disabilities. Barceloneta beach's most famous landmark is sculptor Rebecca Horn's *L'Estel Ferit* (the *Wounded Shooting Star*, pictured), a tall wonky rusted tower of stacked cubes with windows, rooted in the sand. Nicknamed '*Los Cubos*', it pays homage to the *chiringuitos* – the faded little seafront tapas bars that once dotted this old fishing district.

Where to stay Smart little boutique Hotel Chic&Basic Born has doubles from just €70, or find a good deal online for a two-bed apartment with sea views from €100 per night. chicandbasic.com; apartmentbarcelona.com

 FLY TO BARCELONA THREE TIMES DAILY

Three more cities with great beaches

- 2. Nice, France** There are 15 private beaches along the seafront, but scattered in between are some decent public beaches, which are free. Try Voilier beneath the Promenade des Anglais or the Beau Rivage.
- 3. Dubrovnik, Croatia** Tiny Banje beach just outside the city walls is a soft gravelly strip on the Adriatic. Or there's Buza beneath the city walls – not technically a beach but a rocky slope for sunbathing and swimming.
- 4. Cadiz, Spain** This ancient walled city has sandy beaches that ribbon for miles as you enter the city's eastern end, close to Jerez de la Frontera. Playa La Caleta within the city walls is the spot for sunsets.





WILDERNESS

5. Luskentyre, Scotland

On clear sunny days, the pale, almost white sands of Luskentyre Bay offset an extraordinary spectrum of blues, turquoises and greens, leading to comparisons with the Caribbean. They are not exaggerated. Despite the fact that it is fast becoming the poster beach for Visit Scotland, Luskentyre is often deserted, so well worth seeking out for its solitude, sheer expanse and spectacular views. The bay can be found at the southern end of the Hebridean island of Harris – which, confusingly, is called Lewis at its northern end – and nestles in the Gulf Stream. Which means the Hebrides, a craggy string of islands with a coastal design similar to Norway, can bask in glorious sunshine and warm temperatures while the rest of the UK glowers under a gloomy drizzle. This vast white beach digs deep into the south-west tip of the island and is mostly submerged at high tide, widening the Sound of Taransay. Stretching for several empty kilometres, and framed in the background by the blue-tinged North Harris mountains, seals, dolphins, otters, eagles and puffins are just some of the coastal wildlife to be found here. Troubled by only a smattering of houses

and a small thin coastal road, this is a wonderful place to see the wild, soul-stirring landscape of north-west Scotland at its best.

Where to stay Scarista House is a small comfortable hotel set in a traditional Georgian house with sea views, excellent home cooking and open fires. Doubles from €286 B&B. scaristahouse.com

✈ FLY TO EDINBURGH THREE TIMES DAILY

Three more stunning wildernesses to explore

6. John Obey Beach, Sierra Leone This largely empty paradise of palm trees and vivid sunsets just south of Freetown is populated only by fishermen and a small eco community.

7. Assateague Island, USA A short drive from Washington, this windblown strip of land off the coast of Virginia is 60km of wild, deserted beach. A haven for birdwatchers, it's also home to a herd of wild horses.

8. Praia de Odeceixe, Portugal Close to Faro and part of the Fishermen's Trail along Europe's westernmost liminal border, hikers here encounter few others along this rocky coastline.

ADRENALINE RUSH

9. Tarifa, Spain

An exquisite example of a Moorish walled city, Tarifa is somewhat marred these days by the creeping urban sprawl on its outskirts, but the jewels beyond – architectural and coastal – more than compensate. Once a secret known only to the boho-hippy crowd, it occupies the southernmost tip of Spain just a couple of miles across the Straits of Gibraltar from Morocco. The influences are still strong, which makes this charming little town a very cool, laid-

back and interesting place to enjoy the kitesurfing scene that has grown up around it in the last two decades. Adrenaline junkies come from all over Europe to make the most of the strong *Poniente* wind from the west that makes the beaches all along the Costa de la Luz – the stretch between the end of the Mediterranean and Portugal – perfect for kitesurfing. Tarifa's sandy town beach, Playa de los Lances, is the epicentre, where hundreds of brightly coloured kites fill the constantly blue skies above, like flocks of exotic birds. The wide, smooth, golden sands arc gently to the west where the beach ends in a steep bank of sand dunes.

Where to stay Dos Mares Hotel, a great-value, buzzy Moroccan-style hotel right on the beach, offering simple rooms at €63 to suites with terraces at €133 per night and spectacular views to North Africa. dosmareshotel.com

✈ FLY TO MALAGA TWICE DAILY

Three more beaches for thrills and spills

10. Nazaré, Portugal The big-daddy, record-breaking waves – up to 35m high – can be found just north of Lisbon, attracting international competition and the world's best and bravest surfers, like Garrett McNamara.

11. Knokke, Belgium This broad flat strip of smooth sand on Belgium's North Sea coast is popular for sand yachting which can reach speeds of up to 190km/h.

12. Hossegor, France More first-class surfing kicks thanks to the funnel-shaped Bay of Biscay, just south of Bordeaux, which produces top quality 'tube' waves.





LUXURY

13. Spiaggia del Principe, Sardinia

The Costa Smeralda was first championed in the 1960s as a playground for the rich by the Aga Khan, who brought with him a glamorous crowd of royalty, Hollywood stars and the fabulously wealthy. That legacy remains today with the super-rich arriving in increasingly ostentatious yachts carrying supermodels, princesses, rap stars and playboys. The outstanding natural beauty of the coastline here is not too shabby either, with supremely picturesque sandy bays and secluded inlets fringing emerald green waters. Spiaggia del Principe near Cala di Volpe was the Aga Khan's favourite and it's not hard to see why. A smallish beach bookended by rocks and evergreen scrub, the salty air is suffused with enticing scents of wild rosemary, lavender and thyme. The super-rich drift in on their super-yachts, while the rest of humanity has to make do with a rocky path from the local village. But it's a heavenly spot for snorkelling around the rocks, in clear, warm, pristine waters. Nearby Porto Cervo is where the famous and fabulous go to see and be seen, a tiny traditional village that seems at odds with the full spectrum of designer label shops and expensive

restaurants. There is even a shiny Rolls Royce showroom, just in case someone has room on their yacht.

Where to stay Styled as a whitewashed, pan-tiled 'village', the five-star Romazzino Hotel eschews brash opulence for a low-key luxurious charm. Set in a perfumed garden, doubles start from €1260 per night. romazzinohotel.com

✈️ FLY TO OLBIA TWICE WEEKLY

Three more luxury beach havens

14. Île de Ré, France A French version of the Hamptons to the south of Nantes, the well-heeled flock here for the laid-back, low-key charms of this tiny island. Head to Plage des Gollandières for a blissful day in the sun.

15. Capotaormina, Sicily The extraordinarily pretty gravel beach of the Atahotel Capotaormina (an hour north of Catania) is accessed through a candle-lit cave beneath the cliff-top hotel which has spectacular views to Mount Etna.

16. Royal Bay Agadir, Morocco Attached to the Sofitel Hotel of the same name, the beach sits beyond the pool, all waving palm trees and muslin-curtained day beds.

LAKESIDE

17. Wolfgangsee, Austria

For many, a freshwater lake is a more meditative expression of nature, far removed from the stirring distractions of coastal wind and waves. Lake Wolfgangsee in the Salzkammergut region sits in the heart of Austria's Lake District, where the vivid alpine scenery makes a stunning backdrop for hikers and sailors. It's a lovely, peaceful place for camping and swimming too, full of safe, shallow spots with clear water. And in summer the temperatures average a very pleasant 23 degrees. St Gilgen on the lake's north-western shores makes a particularly pretty base, and Strobl has lovely beaches for bathing, well worth exploring.

Where to stay Camping Birkenstrand sits on the lake, just a 10-minute drive from St Gilgen. Dogs are welcome too. From around €25 per night. birkenstrand.at

✈️ FLY TO VIENNA THREE TIMES DAILY



Three more lakes for beach living

18. Lake Garda, Italy The jewel in the crown of Italy's lakes (just two hours from Venice), Garda is dotted with pretty resorts hugging its shores. The town itself sits on the lush eastern side, blanketed with olive groves and the famous Valpolicella vineyards. Its beaches are pretty but pebbly and scattered liberally around the lake.

19. Lake Lucerne, Switzerland Famous for its milky blue waters, high meadows, bottle-green forests and towering peaks, Lake Lucerne is just over an hour from Basel. Its myriad Belle Epoque resorts are evidence of the gentle period it rose to prominence as a popular tourist destination. Most offer small swimming beaches or *badi*, and there is a proper lido in Lucerne itself.

20. Lake Velmunden/Fjorda, Norway This peaceful lake is set in an unspoiled landscape to the north of Oslo. There are small beaches and secluded inlets all round the shore just perfect for swimming, kayaking and paddle-boarding.

PARTY BEACHES

21. Zrce, Croatia

In recent years, Croatia has been challenging Ibiza as Europe's top party spot. Thanks to cheap digs, guaranteed sunshine and a pristine Adriatic shore, Zrce beach on the island of Pag has styled itself as the 'Party Capital', attracting thousands of revellers every year to its big dance-club extravaganzas. International DJs, burlesque-style entertainment, pool parties and big open-air clubs such as Kalypso, Aquarius, Euphoria and Papaya all draw big crowds. This month, clubbers can look forward to no fewer than six mini dance-music festivals plus the seven-day Love Week starting on July 23. zrce.com

Where to stay Boutique Hotel Boškinac in Novalja is a set in landscaped grounds with a pool, but there are plenty of cheap apartments too. For more details, visit zrce.com

✈️ FLY TO ZAGREB FIVE TIMES WEEKLY

Three more fun beaches to party on

22. Fire Island, New York A sanctuary for the city's gay community since the 1960s, its high-octane reputation is legendary. Don't miss the Xanadu-themed Pines Party on July 22-24.

23. Banana Beach, Tel Aviv Friday night is party night on the boho Banana Beach where hipsters and hippies gather for DJ sets and drumming circles as the sun goes down.

24. Star Beach, Crete Half an hour from Heraklion, Hersonissos has developed a big party reputation with its hot combo of open-air clubs, bars, pool parties and international DJs.



FR Les meilleures plages de l'été

EN VILLE

Barceloneta, Espagne (Barcelone)

Le bord de mer barcelonais était autrefois un quartier portuaire miteux mais grâce à sa rénovation pour les Jeux olympiques de 1992, il compte à présent six plages. La plus proche est Barceloneta, à côté du Port Olímpic, où pléthore de restaurants et de bars animés s'alignent sur le front de mer. L'endroit rêvé pour observer les passants.

Où loger ? L'hôtel Chic&Basic Born est un petit boutique-hôtel stylé avec des chambres doubles à partir de 70 € seulement. Ou bien trouver des bonnes affaires sur apartmentbarcelona.com : deux chambres à partir de 100 € la nuit.

POUR LA VIE SAUVAGE

Luskentyre, Écosse (Edimbourg)

Le sable blanc de Luskentyre Bay contraste avec un camaïeu marin de bleu, turquoise et de vert qui fait penser aux Caraïbes. Isolée et souvent déserte, la baie s'étend à la pointe sud de l'île de Harris dans les Hébrides, nichée au milieu du Gulf Stream, d'où les températures clémentes. Les phoques, dauphins, loutres, aigles et macareux ne sont que quelques-unes des espèces littorales sauvages qu'on y rencontre.

Où loger ? Scarista House est un petit hôtel confortable avec vue sur la mer et une excellente cuisine maison. Chambres à partir de 286 € scaristahouse.com

POUR LA MONTÉE D'ADRÉNALINE

Tarifa, Espagne (Malaga)

Superbe exemple de ville fortifiée mauresque, la bohème Tarifa attire les accros à l'adrénaline des quatre coins d'Europe, impatients de profiter du vigoureux vent d'ouest qui fait des plages de la Costa de la Luz le rendez-vous des kite-surfeurs. La plage de la ville de Tarifa, Playa de los Lances, en est l'épicentre, avec un ciel coloré de centaines de voiles.

Où loger ? Au Dos Mares, hôtel de style marocain au rapport qualité-prix très intéressant, juste sur la plage avec vue spectaculaire sur l'Afrique du Nord. Chambres à partir de 63 €. dosmareshotel.com

PLAGE DE LUXE

Spiaggia del Principe, Sardaigne (Olbia)

Le terrain de jeu des milliardaires de la Costa Smeralda a été adopté dans les années 60 par l'Aga Khan qui y attira un petit monde glamour et fortuné. Spiaggia del Principe près de Cala di Volpi était sa plage favorite. Sable blanc encadré de rochers, buissons résineux et herbes sauvages, c'est un paradis pour la plongée avec tuba dans les eaux turquoise translucides.

Où loger ? Hôtel Romazzino « Village » éclatant de blancheur, cet hôtel cinq étoiles joue le charme luxueux mais sobre au creux d'un jardin parfumé. Chambres à partir de 1 260 € la nuit. romazzinohotel.com

EN BORD DE LAC

Wolfgangsee, Autriche (Vienne)

L'expérience plus paisible d'un bord de lac est une vision contemplative de la nature. Le Wolfgangsee, dans la région du Salzkammergut, est au cœur de la région des lacs autrichiens. Le saisissant décor alpin est agréable à l'œil des randonneurs et des marins. Ce bel endroit paisible est propice au camping et à la natation, avec de nombreuses zones sûres et peu profondes, à l'eau claire et au fin gravier. St Gilgen a un charme particulier.

Où loger ? Le camping Birkenstrand Wolfgangsee est à 10 minutes en voiture de St Gilgen et propose sauna, pizzeria et accès internet. À partir de 25 € par nuit environ. birkenstrand.at

POUR FAIRE LA FÊTE

Zrce, Croatie (Zagreb)

Avec ses logements bon marché, l'ensoleillement garanti et sa côte immaculée, la plage de Zrce, sur l'île de Pag, attire chaque année des milliers de fêtards dans ses boîtes en plein air avec DJ internationaux et soirées au bord de la piscine. Ce mois-ci, on appréciera six mini festivals de dance, sans oublier la Love Week à partir du 23 juillet.

Où loger ? Le boutique-hôtel Boškina, à Novalja, a un parc, une piscine et une excellente cuisine. Chambres à partir de 150 €. Également de nombreux appartements bon marché. Consulter zrce.com pour en savoir plus. zrce.com



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NL De beste stranden van deze zomer**IN DE STAD****Barceloneta, Spanje (Barcelona)**

Ooit was de kustlijn van de stad een sjofel havengebied, maar sinds de renovatie in het kader van de Olympische Spelen van 1992 liggen er nu zes stranden. Het dichtstbijzijnde is Barceloneta, naast Port Olímpic, waar levendige restaurants en bars langs de boulevard liggen, ideaal om mensen te kijken.

Overnachten: Hotel Chic&Basic Born is een knap boetiekhotelletje met dubbele kamers vanaf €70. U vindt ook altijd een mooie aanbieding op apartmentbarcelona.com: twee slaapkamers vanaf €100 per nacht.

VOOR DE WILDERNIS**Luskentyre, Schotland (Edinburgh)**

Het witte zand van Luskentyre Bay contrasteert mooi met het spectrum van blauwe, turkooizen en groene tinten van de zee, net als de Caraïben. De afgelegen en vaak verlaten baai ligt in het uiterste zuiden van het eiland Harris van de Hebriden. Door zijn ligging in de Golfstroom is het er vaak aangenaam warm. U kunt hier zeehonden, dolfinen, otters, adelaars en papegaaiduikers spotten.

Overnachten: Scarista House is een comfortabel hotelletje met zicht op zee en uitstekende huisbereide gerechten. Kamers vanaf €286. scaristahouse.com

VOOR EEN ADRENALINERUSH**Tarifa, Spanje (Malaga)**

Tarifa, een uitstekend voorbeeld van een Moorse ommuurde stad, trekt adrenalinezoekers van over heel Europa aan, want door de sterke Poniente-wind is het heerlijk om te kitesurfen op de stranden van Costa de la Luz. Het strand van Tarifa, Playa de los Lances, is het epicentrum waar honderden felgekleurde kites de hemel vullen.

Overnachten: Dos Mares Hotel is een betaalbaar hotel in Marokkaanse stijl op het strand, met een spectaculair zicht op Noord-Afrika. Kamers vanaf €63. dosmareshotel.com

LUXESTRAND**Spiaggia del Principe, Sardinië (Olbia)**

Costa Smeralda is de speeltuin van miljardairs sinds de Aga Khan het strand in de jaren 1960 bezocht, al snel gevolgd door de rijke glamour. Spiaggia del Principe nabij Cala di Volpi was zijn favoriete strand, met de rotsen rond het witte strand, het groenblijvende struikgewas en de wilde kruiden. Een hemelse plaats om te snorkelen in het doorzichtige turkooizen water.

Overnachten: Romazzino Hotel Dit vijfsterrenhotel is net een wit dorp, met zijn onopvallende luxueuze charme te midden van een geparfumeerde tuin. Kamers vanaf €1260 per nacht. romazzinohotel.com

HET STRANDMEER**Wolfgangsee, Oostenrijk (Wenen)**

In de prachtige natuur van het rustige meergebied komt u echt tot rust. De Wolfgangsee in de regio Salzkammergut ligt in het hart van het merengebied van Oostenrijk. Het indrukwekkende berglandschap is een prachtige achtergrond voor wandelaars en zeilers en een vredige plaats om te kamperen of te zwemmen. Er zijn veel veilige, ondiepe plaatsen met helder water en zacht grind. Sankt Gilgen is een ideale uitvalsbasis.

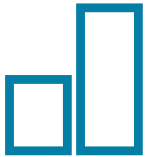
Overnachten: Camping Birkenstrand Wolfgangsee ligt op 10 minuten rijden van Sankt Gilgen. Er is een sauna, een pizzeria en internet. Vanaf €25 per nacht. birkenstrand.at

OM TE FEESTEN**Zrce Kroatië (Zagreb)**

Het strand van Zrce op het eiland Pag met zijn goedkope accommodatie, gegarandeerde zonneschijn en ongerepte stranden ontvangt elk jaar duizenden fuifbeesten die naar hier komen voor de dansfeesten in openlucht, met internationale dj's en zwembadfeesten. Deze maand kunnen clubbers uitkijken naar zes minifestivals met dansmuziek én de Love Week vanaf 23 juli.

Overnachten: Hotel Boškinac in Novalja ligt te midden van een prachtig aangelegde tuin met een zwembad en heeft een uitstekende keuken. Kamers vanaf €150. Er zijn ook veel goedkope appartementen. U vindt meer informatie op zrce.com

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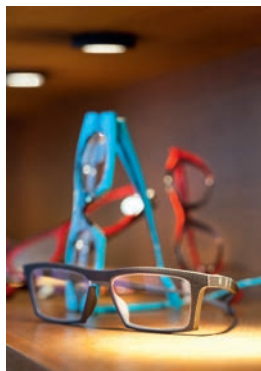
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Veerle Praet, bridal
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HANDMADE IN BRUGES

Quality craftsmanship has defined Bruges for centuries, and the city's creative industries continue to thrive

When the Flemish cloth industry began to decline in the 15th century, the city of Bruges turned its talents to the production of luxury goods, checked and protected by guilds, and later on the craft industry. Bruges became a place for master goldsmiths, diamond cutters and lace-makers. Today, this World Heritage City is still renowned internationally as a home of refined craftsmanship.

Carrying on this tradition into the 21st century, the city is home to a diverse range of creative entrepreneurs. Some have grown in fame, while others are content to remain out of the spotlight, but the people of Bruges have always cherished this wealth of talent.

A day's shopping in Bruges is more relaxing than many other cities, with its pedestrian-friendly main streets all in close proximity – traffic is even banned on Saturdays and the first Sunday of every month between 1pm and 6pm. The city features a mixture of international chains and cool local boutiques, and if you venture off the beaten path, you will certainly find plenty of interesting new discoveries.

Hoet

Any fashionistas wanting to complete their look should stop by Hoet's store, which sells modern and eco-friendly eyewear.

The Chocolate Line

The Chocolate Line is owned by Dominique Persoone, who introduced The Rolling Stones to the taste-enhancing chocolate shooter, a cocoa-herb mix rubbed into the nose.

Quijo

Founded more than 60 years ago, Peter Quijo continues his father's legacy of fine jewellery designs. His creations have earned him the prestigious De Beers award.

Sun Mae

Sun Mae's luxury lingerie boutique champions unique designs, simplicity, craftsmanship and feminine elegance.

Veerle Praet

Veerle Praet creates exquisite bridal couture and special collections, all custom made in her luxurious salon, where shop and workshop merge into one, like a modern-day atelier.

Brewery De Halve Maan

This historic brewery has operated in the centre of Bruges for hundreds of years, with every litre of *Brugse Zot* brewed in the city. To stop the roads being clogged up with beer lorries, the brewery will transport its beer using an underground pipe, capable of sending 6,000 litres of beer per hour to the bottling plant 4km away in as little as ten minutes.

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THE FIGHT AGAINST LIVER DISEASE

The European Liver Patients Association turns the spotlight on the elimination of viral hepatitis

A world without liver disease – this is the ultimate goal of the European Liver Patients Association (ELPA), a group formed in 2004 when 13 patient groups from 10 European countries met to share their experiences regarding how their countries approached hepatitis.

The ELPA was formally launched during the annual conference of the European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL), and has continued to grow, developing into an umbrella organisation with more than 35 members representing 27 countries. The organisation’s aim is to promote the interests of people with liver disease and in particular to highlight the size of the problem. It also exists to promote awareness and prevention, addressing the low profile of liver disease when compared to other areas of medicine, and share experiences of successful initiatives.

ELPA also looks to share examples of best practice in Europe and work with stakeholders, such as EASL, the EU Parliament, national governments and other international bodies to ensure that treatment and care are harmonised across Europe to the highest standards.

A decade ago the majority of ELPA’s work was focused on battling viral hepatitis, a disease not yet recognised as a public health burden, but one that currently affects 400 million people worldwide. Even though the disease has a mortality rate higher than HIV/AIDS, TB and malaria, awareness of viral hepatitis is still low.

Some 80% of liver cancer deaths are caused by hepatitis, and one third of those who become chronically infected with hepatitis C are predicted to develop cirrhosis or hepatocellular carcinoma. Despite this, the majority of people who have been infected with the virus remain unaware of their condition. For this reason the World Health Organization (WHO) established World Hepatitis Day as an official day on 28 July, 2010, a huge step forward in the fight for global recognition. The combined efforts of the World Hepatitis Alliance (WHA) ELPA and WHO led to



ELPA receiving a FibroScan device from Echosens

the publication of the first-ever *Global Health Sector Strategy on Viral Hepatitis*, with the goal of eliminating hepatitis B and C by 2030, as well as setting targets to reduce annual deaths by 65% and increase treatment by 80%. This publication was unanimously adopted by 194 member states, signalling the greatest-ever global commitment on viral hepatitis, a massive step in the war against liver disease. This is a battle that is far from over, but it is one that is well and truly worth fighting. elpa-info.org

ELPA’s goal is to eliminate viral hepatitis by the year 2030

THE NUMBERS

400M

Worldwide, 400 million people are living with Hepatitis B or C

150M

Around 130 to 150 million people globally are afflicted with a chronic hepatitis C infection

80%

Hepatitis causes 80% of liver cancer deaths

European Liver Patients Association

ELPA





The importance of good care



The daughter of a childhood cancer survivor reads the SIOPE Strategic Plan

FIGHTING FOR THE FUTURE

The European Society for Paediatric Oncology (SIOPE) is working to improve the quality of life for children and adolescents with cancer

Despite the progress being made in Europe, cancer is still the biggest threat to children's lives after safety incidents. And while individual types of childhood cancer may be rare, combined they are a serious threat to life for too many young patients. Survival rates among children and adolescents vary greatly across Europe, and two-thirds of survivors encounter some late side effects of treatment; for half of those patients, these side effects have a significant impact on their daily lives.

As childhood cancers are biologically different from adult cancers, more specialised research is needed to find better treatments for paediatric tumours. Supporting over 1,500 European specialists in childhood cancer research, treatment, care and follow up, the European Society for Paediatric Oncology (SIOPE) works towards a future where no child dies of cancer and survivors live to the fullest.

To this end, SIOPE has launched a 10-year strategic plan, drawn up by a group of outstanding experts in paediatric oncology, to tackle the issue across Europe. The aim is to identify solutions that will increase the cure rate of paediatric cancers, as well as improve the quality of survivors' lives by achieving seven key objectives.

The SIOPE Strategic Plan

1. Introduce innovative treatments into standard care.
2. Use precision cancer medicine to help guide therapeutic decisions.
3. Increase knowledge of tumour biology and speed up translation to clinical care.
4. Ensure equal access to standard care and research across Europe.
5. Address the specific needs of teenagers and young adults.
6. Improve the quality of life of childhood cancer survivors.
7. Understand the causes of paediatric cancers.

By donating to this plan, you can support research fellows, projects and initiatives to improve young people's chances of surviving this disease. Children with cancer deserve a brighter future; let's make this a reality. siope.eu/donations



EUROPEAN PAEDIATRIC CANCER STATISTICS

- 35,000 young people are diagnosed every year with cancer
- 20 children and adolescents die of cancer every day
- One out of 300 newborns develops cancer before the age of 20
- 60 cancer types occur from birth to adolescence
- There are 300,000 childhood cancer survivors in Europe



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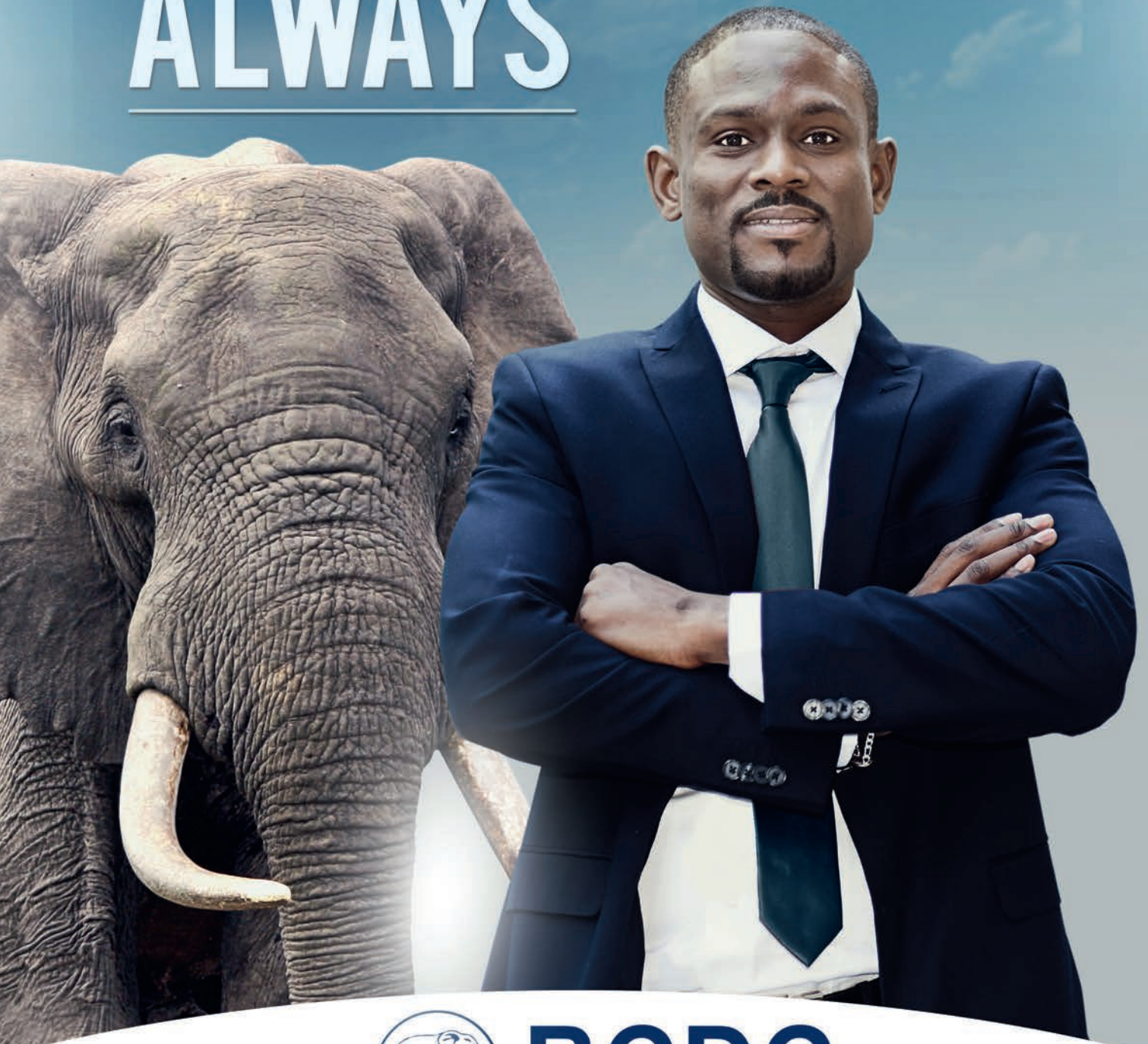
Africa is one of the fastest-growing developing regions in the world and hosts six of the fastest-growing economies. As a result, it attracts investors from across the world and is now home to some of the business leaders of tomorrow, showing the world that Africa means business



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THE FRENCH CONNECTION

The Franc zone is an area with limitless potential for investors, but you don't want to go in blind. The IZF Association has all the tools to help you make an informed decision about where you put your money



The Franc Zone is an economic, monetary and cultural region that is unlike any other in the world. Comprising a diverse group of independent African states and territories that once belonged to the French colonial empire, Franc Zone members share a language, history and institutional framework.

Plenty of great opportunities are up for grabs in this burgeoning region, but if you want to get involved you will need to make sure you have the right resources and guidance, and that's where the IZF Association comes into play. IZF aims to bring attention to the actions of the institutions of the Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa (CEMAC) and the Economic and Monetary Union of West Africa (UEMOA), in order to promote investment in the Franc Zone. It also builds commercial capacity development in the area, helps increase the exports of these businesses and improves the integration of the Franc Zone's countries in world trade. Additionally, it supports young entrepreneurs within the region.

The organisation also aims to be a source of reliable information for an up-and-coming area. Whether you're a native or an outside investor, the IZF association has all your questions covered, with its website dividing everything an investor might need to know into five key areas.

PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES ARE UP FOR GRABS IN THIS REGION, BUT YOU WILL NEED THE RIGHT RESOURCES

General: An overall guide to help inform you about the economic news from Africa.

Business: Specific commercial information and services aimed at manufacturers and businesses wishing to invest in the Franc Zone.

Exports: Specific trade information for each country and general commercial information related to all the countries in the Franc Zone.

Directory: A tool for supporting private sector development, allowing any investor or anyone interested to find the right person in the country of their choice.

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NEED TO KNOW

■ 14 African states make up the Franc zone.

West Africa: Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Niger, Senegal and Togo

Central Africa: Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Equatorial Guinea and Gabon

■ **Currency:** Franc Zone states use the CFA franc (Communauté Financière Africaine), formed of two currencies, the West African CFA franc and the Central African CFA franc. Although theoretically separate, the two CFA franc currencies are effectively interchangeable.

DEVELOPING LEADERS FOR TOMORROW

Belgian company Resynde (Resources & Synergies Development) is fostering the leaders of the future by providing a host of opportunities for those prepared to step outside their comfort zone

Where do great leaders come from? Are they simply born or are they created, a product of training and experience? Like all skills, the qualities of leadership can be learned and enhanced through the feedback of peers and mentors. If you want to develop your skillset and make a difference in the world, development aid projects in Africa are calling out for strong managers.

Resources & Synergies Development, a Belgian company dedicated to the management of natural resources through development projects in Europe and tropical countries, provides myriad opportunities for enthusiastic young leaders to demonstrate their skills.

The company is heavily involved in the management of tropical forests and biodiversity conservation, working with the European Union and the Centre for International Forestry Research (CIFOR). The projects provide the opportunity to develop management skills, with several young candidates taking on a variety of different tasks. Developing leadership skills in complex environments with multicultural teams is not easy. It requires the nurturing of key skills and developing emotional intelligence, which very often can take people out of their comfort zone.



Projects in Africa are calling out for leaders

It's a big step to take, but the benefits can be huge. Gloria Assimbo (pictured above), underwent demanding leadership training for six months in 2012. After sharpening her skills under the guidance of her mentors, she now manages Resources & Synergies Development sarl (meaning a limited liability company) in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

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INVESTING IN THE CONGO

FPM (Fonds pour l'inclusion financière) has gathered a multidisciplinary team of consultants to help reduce poverty and improve living conditions for people in the Democratic Republic of Congo



FPM (Fonds pour l'inclusion financière) is on a mission: to aid the development of the Democratic Republic of Congo financially, supporting Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and active, low-income populations. The ultimate goal is to reduce poverty and improve living conditions for the people of the DRC. And to help achieve this aim, FPM is supporting the development of a new financial system for the country.

FPM provides financial aid and technical assistance to microfinance specific ventures, providing the number of people employed is below 200. The company supplies significant loans for the growth of the IFP portfolio, subordinated loans for the strengthening of capital, as well as special products for specific niches.

Originally, FPM was a support programme component to the Microfinance Sector (PASMIIF), but to further its goals the company has branched off into two subsidiaries: FPM ASBL, a non-profit organisation which will provide technical assistance, and FPM SA, a public limited company, aggregated by the Central Bank of Congo as a financial company that will offer refinancing to financial institutions.

FPM ASBL, launched in 2011, brings together a group of donors, all highly active in development issues, including the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), German Development Bank (KfW) and the World Bank. Managed by the Frankfurt School of Finance &

Management, FPM ASBL is composed of a top management team alongside a multidisciplinary group of consultants, and had committed \$8.2 million to 97 different projects since 2011 – an average of \$273,000 per project. Its counterpart FPM SA was created in late 2014, and by the end of its first financial year, had established a loan portfolio of \$15.1 million for nine different partner institutions.

Some of the most dynamic companies in the financial industry are shareholders in FPM SA, which boasts a capital of \$23.4 million as of May 31, 2016. FPM will benefit from the capital contribution of KfW, the Belgian Investment Company for Developing Countries (BIO), the Dutch Catholic Organisation for Relief and Development Aid (Cordaid) and Incofin CVSO. Incofin Investment Management will act as the fund advisor for FPM SA, bringing on board its specific experience and knowledge of the financial services market for micro, small and medium enterprises in the DRC. The long term goal to provide a boost to the DRC, both financially and socially, and is already seeing results: since launching in 2011 FPM has helped fund a great deal of MSMEs, training 658 executives and staff while collaborating with 35 partners.

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THE NUMBERS

Finance

\$15,100,000

The worth of FPM's loan portfolio

\$1,688,888

Average loan distributed

9

The number of loans distributed

Technical assistance

\$8,200,000

The volume of money dealt with since 2011

\$273,000

Average amount of money per project

97

Number of projects since 2011

Development Impact

\$35,447

Additional finances granted per MSME

658

Executives and agents trained since 2011

35

Number of partners since 2011



READY TO LAUNCH

The relaunch of this Africa-focused book is bringing a discourse on the continent's growth and global opportunities to a whole new audience

In December 2015, specialist investment advisory service Quantum Global launched the book **The Convergence of Nations: Why Africa's Time is Now**. The book, published by OMFIF Press, is a compilation of international analysis in which lead author Jean-Claude Bastos de Morais, founder of the Quantum Global Group and the Africa Innovation Foundation, is joined by 31 respected authors.

The majority of these authors are high-profile academics, including Nobel laureates Joseph Stiglitz (Columbia University) and Roger Myerson (University of Chicago), and prominent economists such as Jeffrey Sachs (Columbia University), Paul Collier (University of Oxford), and Ernest Aryeetey (University of Ghana).

The book focuses on economics, politics, sustainable development and art in Africa. It also explores the essential strands of the emergent African capitalist model and how the continent can profit from globalisation.

Quantum Global and OMFIF (Official Monetary and Financial Institutions Forum) have been expanding their global reach, with Quantum Global establishing a new office in Mauritius. Owing to their worldwide reach, the companies have decided to relaunch the book in English, French and Portuguese. From November 2016 it will be available from Amazon and OMFIF Press. quantumglobal.ch



THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW

This Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) offers high-quality professional education in Kinshasa, DRC



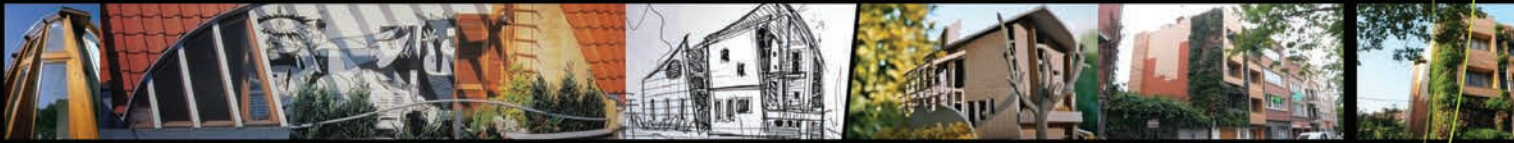
The Central Africa Europe Business School (CAEBS) aims to give managers and young executives in the Democratic Republic of Congo and other Central African countries access to high-quality professional education. Founded in July 2013 as a collaboration between the Frankfurt School of Finance and Management and Université Protestante au Congo (UPC), the CAEBS is part of UPC and is located in Kinshasa.

The school offers a first-rate Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) programme. Courses are taught in English and French by an international faculty and take place during the evening and at weekends. This allows participants to combine their work schedule with professional development.

The programme includes a week's trip to Germany to visit companies and take part in various workshops and lectures at the Frankfurt School of Finance and Management. Registration for the fourth intake of the EMBA programme is now open. Find out more at caebs.org
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An ecological housing rehabilitation project in Brussels.

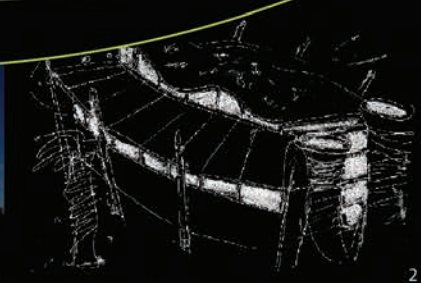
“Atelier Architectural Marc Somers was borne of encounters between people from a variety of backgrounds whose primary concern was the well-being of man and his overall development in harmony with nature,” says architect Marc Somers. “Our main aim is to study and deliver not just the brief, but also the dream – the hidden desires that everyone has.

“This means not accepting easy, ready-made solutions,” continues Somers. “Each project is different and requires a personal response. This creates architecture that is in harmony with its inhabitants, but also in dialogue with its environment.”

For Somers, nature is a key influence in architecture. Shapes arise organically from nature and, correspondingly, Somers’ work is respectful of the environment. Sustainable solutions form a large part of his work, and the benefits are numerous. They not only consider and adapt to the climate, they also minimise energy consumption by using renewable energy and incorporating natural materials. For example, placing plants such as bamboo and seaweed in three different reservoirs may be a new sustainable solution when it comes to the treatment of water.



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An eco tourism project in Fez, Morocco, including a hotel, restaurant, conference centre and mosque. (Presented at COP 22)



TIME FOR CHANGE

2016 is the year that TPF Basse Sambre becomes TPF Contracting

From the highlight of the Rio Olympics to Senegal's exciting Dak'Art biennale, 2016 is a year of significant events, including a name change for TPF Basse Sambre. The industrial arm of the international Belgian-based TPF Group, it will now be called TPF Contracting. The new name is being used to highlight the industrial turnkey activities of TPF Group, a multidisciplinary company that works across building, transport infrastructure, water and energy.

Acting either as general contractor or subcontractor, the company engineers and builds industrial plants on a turnkey basis (ie, completed, ready-to-go projects) across diverse fields such as oil and gas, mining, mineral treatment, cement plants and the environment.

TPF Contracting's motivated and highly trained teams provide global solutions, including engineering and design services, supply and transport, construction and erection works, management, training and technical assistance. The company has been exporting its know-how around the globe since the 1960s, and continues to do so thanks to its respected reputation and long-standing experience across a diverse variety of industrial environments. tpf.eu



This new name highlights the industrial turnkey activities of TPF Group, which works across building, water, energy and transport infrastructure



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From top: Former tennis pro Dominique Monami is delighted to help Snauwaert rackets make a comeback; Snauwaert rackets in production in the early 1940s



Tennis pros make a racket

Nearly 26 years after bankruptcy left the company defunct, legendary Belgian tennis racket producer Snauwaert is making a comeback, with help from some former top players

When it comes to sport, success often goes hand-in-hand with failure. However, it's also an industry where your losses – and how well you recover from them – can be just as defining as your wins, as Belgian company Snauwaert is hoping to prove.

Almost 26 years after the former international tennis racket manufacturer went bankrupt, it's bouncing back with the unveiling of a new premium racket range. Launched under the direction of former professional Belgian players Dominique Monami and Xavier 'X-Man' Malisse last month, the company has spent the last two years developing the sleek bionic frames to ensure they're able to "handle the technological competition of other top brands," according to head of design, Dimitri Meessen.

Available in four different styles that target different player levels and needs, Monami says consumers' emotional connection with the age-old brand is already having an impact on sales. "It's the same for me," the former Olympic player, who has taken on the role of PR and communications manager, admits. "My first official contract with Snauwaert was when I was 15 years old and straightaway I fell in love with the quality and design. And it's the same for anyone

who tries the rackets now, which is why I'm convinced the brand can be a success story again."

Founded in 1928 in a car shed in Germany, by brother-in-laws Valler Snauwaert and Eugene Depla, the company was a global player during the 1960s and 1970s. Then a major competitor to fellow Belgian sports equipment maker Donnay, Snauwaert rackets were used by professional players such as Sweden's Mikael Pernfors, Lithuanian-American Vitas Gerulaitis and America's Brian Gottfried. The company sold more than three million rackets a year.

The advent of cheap Asian rackets in the 1980s had a big impact on Snauwaert. Despite a few bold attempts to keep the brand current, including the invention of one of the most unusual rackets ever produced – the 'Ergonom' with its rotated head – financial woes forced the company to close in 1991 after more than 60 years of business.

This time things will be different, insists brand ambassador Malisse. "We're only going to sell online for one thing because that's where everybody buys rackets now," he says. The company has also joined up with the Tennis Vlaanderen federation so that members can test rackets before purchase, and plans to release more products – from T-shirts to sports bags – by the end of the summer. "We're as good as the current big brands," says Malisse, "and ready to start competing again." snauwaert.com

WHERE TO WATCH TENNIS THIS MONTH

- **Until 10 July:** Wimbledon, London
- **9-17 July:** German Tennis Championships, Hamburg
- **16-24 July:** Citi Open, Washington DC
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Young surfboard start-up eyes global market

A Northern Irish surfboard company is set to launch a significant export drive after winning a series of business awards.

Since launching just over a year ago, Skunkworks Surf Co – set up by surf enthusiast brothers Ricky and Chris Martin – has already secured runner-up position in the Virgin Media Business ‘Pitch to Rich 2015’ competition and claimed a victory in Northern Ireland’s Invent 2015 awards.

Now seen as one of the fastest growing start-up businesses in the country, securing investment of €63,500, the trademark blue Skunkworks surfboards are just about to have their patent application finalised in Europe, and there are plans to break into the US market soon after.

It was in 2013 that Ricky and Chris, who have both been surfing since childhood, began redesigning surfboards after being



Keen surfers Ricky Martin, left, and his brother Chris started out designing surfboards for themselves

continuously disappointed in the soft boards already on the market. Using only 100% recyclable materials and avoiding environmentally damaging glues containing toxins, the Martins took their prototype to some of Northern Ireland’s best engineers and material experts – and Skunkworks was born.

skunkworkssurfco.co.uk

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SURFING NUMBERS

- 23 million: Estimated number of surfers worldwide
- 37 minutes: The longest amount of time spent surfing one wave
- €6.5 billion: Annual surfing industry revenue
- 103: Record number of people to surf the same wave simultaneously

The stats: sales scoop on ice cream

In time for the USA’s designated Ice Cream Month this July and National Ice Cream Day on 17 July, statista.com has released the 2016 sales figures on leading ice cream brands milking the multibillion-dollar industry. Take a lick – erm, a look...



digits

€500

The European Central Bank is planning to phase out its highest denomination bank note of €500 by 2018 due to the bill’s popularity among criminals.

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The number proved unlucky for consumer technology giant Apple which reported its first quarterly sales fall in 13 years, and first ever quarterly slowdown of iPhone sales.

€850bn

Value of the world’s largest sovereign wealth fund, held by Norway and built on the country’s giant oil sector. The fund is shaping up to sue German carmaker Volkswagen.

Fresh meal kit deliveries on the rise

The 'meal kit' market topped more than €80 million last year, making it one of the biggest contributors to changing the way consumers think about food at home.

According to the Understanding Fresh Food Subscription Study released by consulting firm Technomic, global sales within the fresh food subscription market - that is, companies specialising in delivering fresh, pre-measured ingredients and recipe instructions to the doorsteps of consumers - are predicted to increase to €4.5 billion within the next five years.

Big players like US firm Blue Apron and Germany's Hello Fresh market their business around making home cooking more convenient, exciting, and healthier. The pre-measured food boxes aim to ensure consumers get a balanced, portion-controlled diet full of fresh ingredients.

Other, smaller niche groups have also emerged, tailoring services to particular dietary preferences, food styles and health trends such as US company Purple Carrot, which provides vegan meals.



With more than 100 companies now operating, the new trend has also been said to be redefining food shopping habits, with data from purchase intelligence firm Cardlytics suggesting that meal-kit subscribers tend to spend less on groceries.

SUBSCRIPTION MODELS

GREEN BLENDER The food boxes of this new, smoothie specialising New York start-up contain enough fresh fruit and vegetables for 10 drinks.
greenblender.com

HELLO FRESH Started in Berlin by Dominik Richter in 2011, 'healthy, delicious' recipe specialists Hello Fresh are today one of the biggest players in the market, delivering more than 7.2 million meals a month across seven different countries.
hellofreshgroup.com

LINAS MATKASSE Considered the founders of the 'meal kit' market, this Swedish company, which launched in 2008, had revenues of more than €106 million last year.
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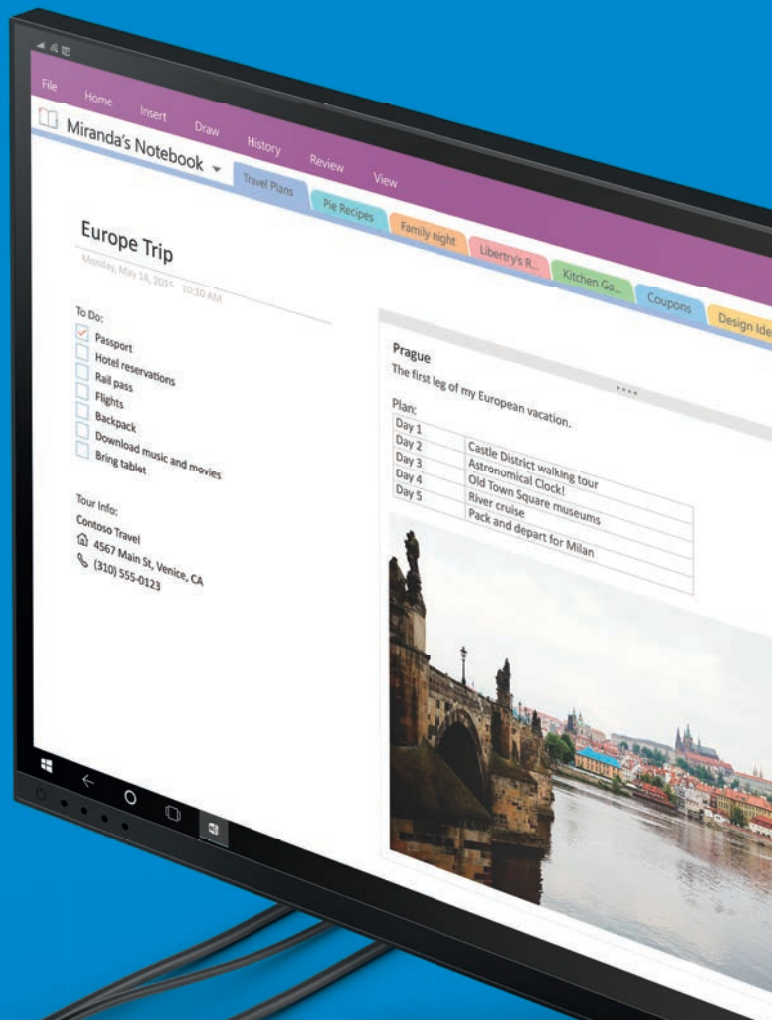
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The profile

Aissa Dione

The Senegalese fabric designer reviving traditional textile skills

As we speak, French-born artist and businesswoman Aissa Dione (*pictured*) is putting the finishing touches to a new exhibition of work by West African painters being staged in her downtown Dakar gallery. "I am showing painters from Senegal, Guinea-Bissau, Burkina Faso, Mali..." she says. "African artists are making such beautiful pieces. The energy here is extraordinary."

A creative dynamo, Dione grew up in France, her mother's native country, and was drawn to live in her father's Senegal homeland as a young woman. Having studied English, philosophy and art, she became a painter in the capital of Dakar for a few years, before turning her talent to fabric design around 25 years ago. "The Mandjaque weavers of Senegal were renowned for their fine work, using materials such as cotton and raffia to create intricately patterned fabrics," she explains. "However, the local textile industry was dying here and the traditional skills were in danger of being lost. I resolved to revive them."

That's how Aissa Dione Tissus, the designer's eponymous label, came to be. Deciding to use contemporary designs using traditional techniques, Dione began by employing the skills of local weavers in Dakar and the nearby city of Rufisque, with the intention of finding them a new world market – and her plan worked. The Senegalese fabrics, all handmade on looms of various widths, are now used by top-flight international design houses including Hermès, Fendi and Christian Liaigre. Her pieces are also for sale in the Paris department store Le Bon Marché and at New York's



Aissa Dione Tissus' fabric is used by top international design houses

"African artists are making such beautiful pieces these days. The energy here is extraordinary"

Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Fiercely proud of its Senegal roots, the firm now employs 100 workers and generates around €1m a year. "We may have started as a small craft business, but we

have very big ambitions," says Dione. "We want to develop this country and restart its textile heritage in a new way. I have no doubt that it is achievable."

Within a year, Dione plans to open a European showroom and she is currently exploring possibilities in France and Belgium. "There is a great deal of interest in what we are doing internationally," she adds. "We are scaling up to meet demand." aissadionetissus.com

✈ FLY TO DAKAR DAILY

News in brief

■ **THE CAPTAIN FOR** the Rwanda national cricket team has broken the Guinness World Record for the longest time spent batting. Eric Dusingizimana spent 51 hours batting in Amahoro Indoor Stadium, Remera, to raise money to build Rwanda's first international cricket ground. Participants of the World Economic Forum On Africa, taking place in Kigali, volunteered to bowl for him, along with the Minister of Sports and Culture, Julienne Uwacu, and former British Prime Minister Tony Blair.



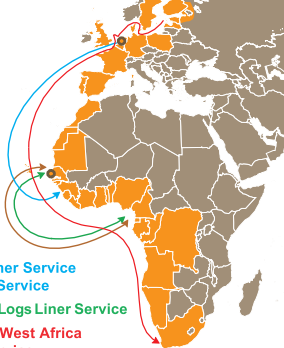
■ **GHANA HAS RECEIVED** its first large-scale solar power plant from a leading Chinese technology firm in a bid to give the country a much-needed power boost. Beijing Xiaocheng Company (BXC) invested €27m into the 100-acre power plant in Winneba, 70km west of Accra. Designed to generate 18 more megawatts a day than the country's former main plant produced, it's hoped the new site will rectify the energy crisis Ghana has experienced over the past two years.

■ **AROUND 40 INFLUENTIAL** women from across Africa have been invited to join the Women in Media Network newly launched by the Graça Machel Trust (GMT). Set up to establish a Pan-African group of female journalists and bloggers, the network aims to give better coverage to initiatives led by women all over the continent and change the current narrative for African women in the media. Founded by politician and humanitarian Graça Machel, GMT advocates for women's and children's rights in Africa.

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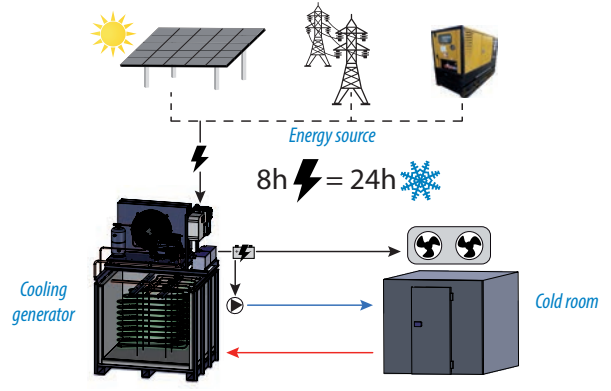
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The big idea

Mobile diagnosis

Pioneering Ugandan students are hoping to tackle one of Africa's biggest epidemics

The idea for Matibabu, the world's first app to be able to diagnose malaria without a blood sample, came to Brian Gitta shortly after he himself had been diagnosed with the disease. The ordeal got him thinking about ways technology could be used to detect the disease without the need for needles. Not only would it alleviate unnecessary pain, Gitta realised, but it would save lives, too.

"Malaria is currently responsible for around 400,000 deaths a year," the computer science student explains. "Rural communities of low income countries are particularly affected due to their limited access to health facilities. By the time they get a diagnosis, it can be too late." So Gitta (above, far left) and his university peers Simon Lubambo, Josiah Kavuma and Joshua Businge (pictured with Gitta, from left) set about creating the Matibabu app. Meaning 'medical centre' in Swahili, Matibabu uses a red LED and light sensor to read the blood's oxygen content through the skin. The information is passed to the app, which determines whether the tester has malaria. Currently at the testing and validation stage, the team intends to market the app next year and hope Matibabu will help reduce malaria deaths by at least 15% by the year 2020. matibabu.blog.com

✈️ FLY TO ENTEBBE FIVE TIMES WEEKLY

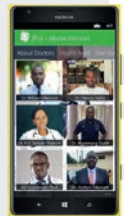


THE APPS FIGHTING HEALTH ISSUES IN AFRICA

Sehatuk, meaning 'your health' in Arabic, is a database of medical facilities in Morocco, including local pharmacies and doctors, and lists of available prescription drugs, plus prices and doses. sehatuk.dialy.net

Danish organisation The Maternity Foundation has created the Safe Delivery app for African health workers in remote areas, providing instructional films on how to cope with complications in labour. maternity.dk

Bisa means "ask" in the Ghanaian language of Twi, and it's the name of an app (right), connecting people with medical workers if they can't get to hospital. bisaapp.com




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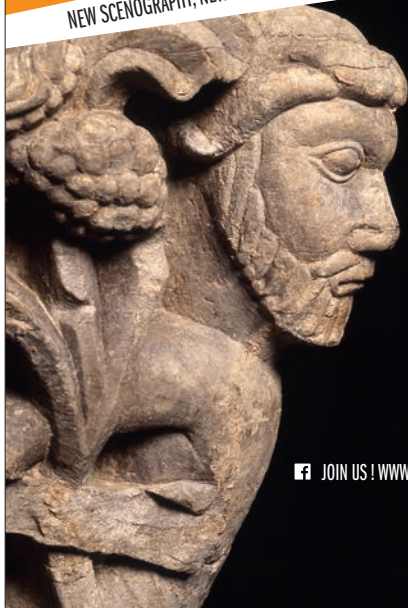


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EN THE SUITE by brussels airlines

Brussels Airlines opens its first business lounge overseas

Brussels Airlines Business Class passengers and frequent flyers travelling from N'Djili Airport in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo, now have their own premium area to relax in while they wait for flights to Brussels. The Suite, which is the first business lounge to be offered by Brussels Airlines in a foreign airport, follows a similar design concept to the airline's extremely popular The Loft lounge in Brussels Airport. Modern and sleek with a hint of Belgian Art Nouveau, the lounge also offers comfortable seats, a work zone, high tables for networking and a corner to relax.

Guests visiting The Suite will be able to enjoy drinks, a snack buffet, free Wi-Fi connection and a large choice of newspapers and magazines. The Suite is located right next to the Brussels Airlines boarding gate at N'Djili Airport.

Over the last few years, Brussels Airlines has invested heavily in the comfort of its passengers in Kinshasa. With this new investment, Brussels Airlines reinforces the importance of Kinshasa in its network. The Suite was inaugurated in mid-May in the presence of the Congolese Prime Minister, the deputy prime minister, various dignitaries and loyal Brussels Airlines passengers, and welcomes guests daily.

 **Brussels Airlines offers daily flights between Brussels and Kinshasa**



FR THE SUITE by brussels airlines

Brussels Airlines ouvre son premier salon business à l'étranger

Les passagers Business Class et les habitués de Brussels Airlines voyageant depuis l'aéroport de N'Djili à Kinshasa, en RDC, ont désormais leur propre espace confortable et convivial pour attendre leur vol pour Bruxelles. The Suite, le premier salon business proposé par Brussels Airlines dans un aéroport étranger, affiche un design assez analogue à celui du très populaire The Loft de la compagnie à Brussels Airport. Avec ses lignes modernes et pures rehaussées d'une pointe d'Art Nouveau, le salon propose des fauteuils confortables, une zone de travail, des tables hautes pour le networking et un coin détente.

Les hôtes du lieu peuvent prendre un verre, manger un bout, profiter du Wi-Fi gratuit et lire un vaste choix de journaux et magazines. The Suite est situé juste à côté de la porte d'embarquement Brussels Airlines à l'aéroport de N'Djili.

Ces dernières années, Brussels Airlines a lourdement investi dans le confort de ses passagers à Kinshasa. Brussels Airlines renforce ainsi l'importance de Kinshasa dans son réseau. The Suite a été inauguré à la mi-mai en présence du premier ministre congolais, du vice-premier ministre, de plusieurs dignitaires et de fidèles passagers Brussels Airlines. Le salon accueille des hôtes tous les jours.

 **Brussels Airlines propose des vols quotidiens entre Bruxelles et Kinshasa**

NL THE SUITE by brussels airlines

Brussels Airlines opent haar eerste business lounge in het buitenland

Business Class-passagiers en frequent flyers van Brussels Airlines die reizen vanuit N'Djili Airport in Kinshasa, in de Democratische Republiek Congo, kunnen voortaan in een aparte, exclusieve ruimte ontspannen wachten op het vertrek van hun vlucht naar Brussel. The Suite, de eerste business lounge van Brussels Airlines in een buitenlandse luchthaven, is ontworpen volgens een gelijkaardig concept als The Loft, de bijzonder populaire lounge in Brussels Airport. Ook deze lounge oogt modern en strak met een vleugje Belgische art nouveau en beschikt over comfortabele zetels, werkplekken, statafels om te netwerken en een gedeelte om tot rust te komen.

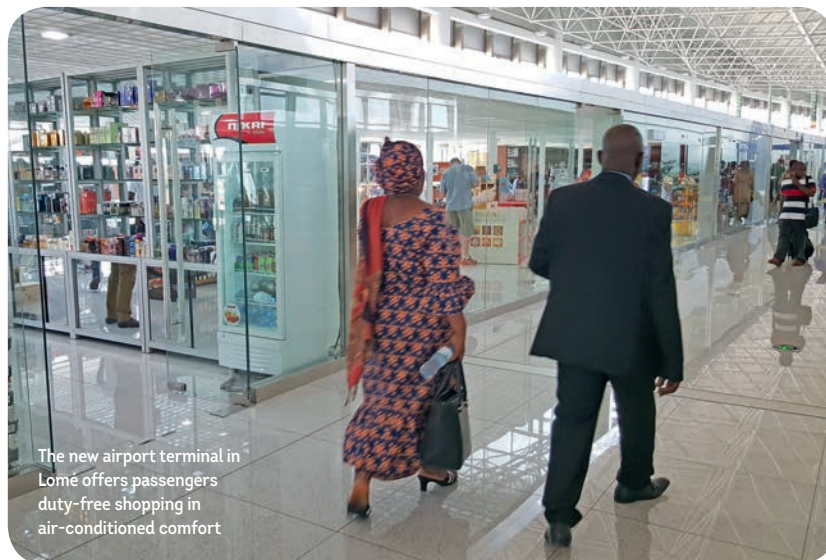
Bezoekers kunnen in The Suite terecht voor een drankje, diverse snacks, gratis wifi en een ruim aanbod kranten en tijdschriften. The Suite bevindt zich vlak bij de gate van waaruit Brussels Airlines vertrekt in N'Djili Airport.

De voorbije jaren heeft Brussels Airlines sterk geïnvesteerd in het comfort van haar passagiers in Kinshasa. Met deze nieuwe investering zet Brussels Airlines nogmaals het belang van Kinshasa in haar netwerk in de verf. The Suite werd midden mei plechtig geopend in aanwezigheid van de Congolese premier, de vicepremier, verschillende hoogwaardigheidsbekleders en trouwe Brussels Airlines-passagiers. The Suite is dagelijks toegankelijk voor onze passagiers.

 **Brussels Airlines vliegt elke dag tussen Brussel en Kinshasa**



Brussels Airlines staff at the new terminal's check-in area



The new airport terminal in Lomé offers passengers duty-free shopping in air-conditioned comfort

EN TOGO TAKES OFF!

Brussels Airlines welcomes passengers at new airport terminal in Lomé

At the end of April, Togolese President Faure Gnassingbe inaugurated the new airport terminal in Lomé. Modernised with an investment of around €130 million from Exim Bank of China, Gnassingbe Eyadema International Airport (AIGE) is now capable of handling 2.5 million passengers a year while its annual freight handling capacity has been increased from 15,000 tons to 50,000 tons. Conforming to international standards, AIGE is now one of the most modern international airports in West Africa.

Across three levels - departures, arrivals and transit - with a total surface area of 21,000m², the new terminal has a raft of improved amenities to ensure the best passenger experience possible. In the main hall, there are now 24 check-in counters, after which passengers have access to VIP and business lounges, restaurants, and a duty-free gallery.

To increase the speed of departures and landings while keeping passenger comfort to the fore, five boarding bridges for aircraft access have now been installed. There are now also 14 lanes for customs and security in air-conditioned comfort, meaning that long queues in the country's hot conditions are a thing of the past. In addition, there are three baggage reclaim carousels and one for oversized baggage to ensure a smoother travel journey.

📍 Brussels Airlines offers flights between Brussels and Lomé four times weekly

FR LE TOGO DÉCOLLE !

Brussels Airlines accueille ses passagers au nouveau terminal de Lomé

Fin avril, le président togolais Faure Gnassingbé a inauguré le nouveau terminal aéroportuaire de Lomé. Modernisé grâce à un investissement de quelque 130 millions € de l'Exim Bank of China, l'Aéroport international Gnassingbé Eyadéma (AIGE) est désormais capable de recevoir 2,5 millions de passagers par an, tandis que pour le fret, sa capacité annuelle passe de 15.000 à 50.000 tonnes. D'après les normes internationales, l'AIGE est aujourd'hui un des aéroports internationaux les plus modernes d'Afrique de l'Ouest.

Avec une surface totale de 21.000 m² sur trois niveaux - départs, arrivées et transit - le nouveau terminal est équipé pour offrir aux passagers la meilleure expérience de voyage possible. Dans le hall principal, il y a 24 comptoirs d'enregistrement, suite auxquels les passagers ont accès à des salons VIP et business, des restaurants ainsi qu'à une galerie duty-free.

Pour accroître la vitesse des embarquements et des atterrissages ainsi que le confort des passagers, cinq passerelles d'accès aux avions ont été installées. Il y a maintenant 14 couloirs climatisés pour les contrôles douanier et de sécurité, ce qui met fin aux longues files d'attente dans la chaleur torride du pays. De plus, il y a trois tapis roulants à bagages, plus un pour les bagages de grande taille, afin d'assurer un voyage dans les meilleures conditions.

📍 Brussels Airlines assure la liaison entre Bruxelles et Lomé quatre fois par semaine

NL TOGO KLAAR VOOR DE TOEKOMST!

Brussels Airlines verwelkomt passagiers in nieuwe luchthaventerminal in Lomé

Eind april opende de Togolese president Faure Gnassingbé plechtig de nieuwe luchthaventerminal in Lomé. Exim Bank of China investeerde zowat 130 miljoen euro in de modernisering van de Aéroport International Gnassingbé Eyadéma (AIGE), die voortaan 2,5 miljoen passagiers per jaar aankan. De vrachtcapaciteit werd opgetrokken van 15.000 ton tot 50.000 ton per jaar. De AIGE beantwoordt vandaag aan de internationale normen en is nu een van de modernste internationale luchthavens van West-Afrika.

De nieuwe terminal beslaat drie verdiepingen - vertrek, aankomst en transit - met een totale oppervlakte van 21.000 m² en beschikt over vele extra's om voor de best mogelijke passagierservaring te zorgen. Voorbij de centrale hal, die nu 24 incheckbalies telt, kunnen de passagiers terecht in VIP en business lounges, restaurants en taxifreewinkels.

Om het in- en uitstappen te versnellen en het passagierscomfort te vergroten, werden vijf aviobruggen geplaatst. Er zijn nu ook 14 balies voor de douane en de veiligheidsdiensten in een ruimte met airconditioning, waarmee lange wachtrijen in het broeierige klimaat tot het verleden behoren. Tot slot staan drie bagagecarroussels en een bagageband voor grote stukken garant voor een vlotte reis.

📍 Brussels Airlines vliegt viermaal per week tussen Brussel en Lomé



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EN STEP ABOARD VIRTUALLY

A young Kortrijk start-up is showcasing the iconic Brussels Airlines fleet with 360° camera technology that makes virtual reality tours possible at home

With its iconic liveried Airbus fleet of *Magritte* (dedicated to René Magritte), *Trident* (dedicated to the Belgian Red Devils football team) and the *Rackham* (dedicated to Tintin), Brussels Airlines has created three of its most popular aircraft. And now everyone can take a look around these special customised planes, thanks to a partnership with Kortrijk-based start-up Around Media, which has made a virtual reality tour possible without ever leaving home.

Wannes Vanspranghe, Thijs Morlion and a group of friends set up Around

Media in 2015. The original goal was to make virtual reality technology affordable for the real-estate sector and enable vendors to communicate more honestly and efficiently. So the company launched the Around Box on the market: an all-in-one package containing a 360° camera, an Android tablet and a stand, helping people with little or no technical knowledge to create virtual reality tours of their own.

But Brussels Airlines also saw this as an ideal opportunity to showcase its own products to passengers. Now, for example, anyone can go online at brusselsairlines.com and take a virtual look inside *Trident*, the official plane carrying the Belgian national football team to the Euro 2016 championships, or relive the launch of *Magritte*, a tribute to the Belgian Surrealist painter René Magritte - all in 360° surround vision.

But this new virtual experience doesn't stop there. People can also pay virtual visits to other locations such as The Loft and The Suite lounges, helping Brussels Airlines to introduce its products to passengers in a very transparent, accessible way. The collaboration with Around Media is also a perfect fit with the 'Belgitude' vibe that Brussels Airlines is proud to exemplify. Thanks to partnerships with a large number of Belgian companies, Brussels Airlines flies the best of Belgium to every corner of the globe.

And now Around Media is also succeeding in taking its venture to the rest of the world. Earlier this year the company attended the Collision Conference in New Orleans, flew with Brussels Airlines to Malaga for its Spanish launch, and is looking forward to doing the same in Switzerland in the near future.





FR MONTEZ VIRTUELLEMENT À BORD

Avec son partenaire Around Media, Brussels Airlines se montre à 360 degrés

Magritte (en hommage au peintre du même nom), *Trident* (l'avion des Diables Rouges) et *Rackham* (celui de Tintin) sont trois Airbus à la livrée iconique les plus appréciés de la flotte Brussels Airlines. Tout le monde a envie de voir de plus près ces emblèmes de la Belgique : c'est désormais possible, même depuis votre salon, grâce à un partenariat avec la start-up courtraienne Around Media.

Wannes Vanspranghe et Thijs Morlion ont fondé avec trois amis Around Media en 2015. Leur objectif était de rendre la technologie de la réalité virtuelle plus accessible au secteur immobilier, pour qu'il puisse ainsi communiquer plus honnêtement et plus efficacement. Ils ont donc lancé l'Around box : un package complet, avec caméra à 360°, tablette Android et pied de support. Avec ce système, tout le monde peut réaliser des circuits de visite virtuels sans connaissance technique préalable.

Brussels Airlines a vu là une formidable occasion de rapprocher ses produits de ses passagers. Sur brusselsairlines.com, tout le monde peut désormais faire une visite virtuelle de *Trident*, par exemple, l'avion officiel des Diables Rouges, et revivre en vision panoramique le lancement de *Magritte*, un hommage au peintre belge René Magritte.

Mais l'expérience virtuelle ne s'arrête pas là puisque, grâce à l'Around box, des lieux comme les salons The Loft et The Suite peuvent également être visités virtuellement. Une façon pour Brussels Airlines de présenter ses produits en toute transparence à ses passagers.

La collaboration avec la start-up belge Around Media s'inscrit de surcroît parfaitement dans cette promotion de la belgitude qui fait la fierté de Brussels Airlines. Grâce à des partenariats avec de nombreuses entreprises belges, nous propageons ainsi le meilleur de la Belgique dans le monde entier.

Et cela réussit pour l'instant très bien à Around Media. Ils étaient présents plus tôt dans l'année à Collision Conference à la Nouvelle-Orléans, ils se sont envolés avec Brussels Airlines pour Malaga pour lancer leur produit en Espagne et ils s'apprentent à faire de même en Suisse.

NL STAP VIRTUEEL AAN BOORD

Samen met partner Around Media toont Brussels Airlines zich in 360 graden

Magritte (als ode aan René Magritte), *Trident* (als ode aan de Rode Duivels) en *Rackham* (als ode aan Kuifje) zijn Brussels Airlines' meest geliefde vliegtuigen. Iedereen wil wel eens een kijkje nemen in deze Belgian icons, en dat kan dankzij een partnership met de Kortrijkse start-up Around Media nu zelfs vanuit je huiskamer.

Wannes Vanspranghe en Thijs Morlion richtten, samen met nog drie vrienden, Around Media op in 2015. Het was hun doel om de virtual reality-technologie betaalbaar te maken voor de vastgoedsector en hen hierdoor eerlijker en efficiënter te laten communiceren. Daarom brachten ze de Around box op de markt: een alles-in-één pakket waarin een 360°-camera, een Android tablet en een statief zitten. Dankzij deze box kan iedereen, zonder technische voorkennis, virtuele tours aanmaken.

Brussels Airlines zag hierin een ideale kans om haar producten dichterbij haar passagiers te brengen. Zo kan iedereen op brusselsairlines.com bijvoorbeeld nu al een virtueel kijkje nemen in *Trident*, het officiële vliegtuig van de Rode Duivels, en kan de lancering van *Magritte*, een ode aan de Belgische schilder René Magritte, herbeleefd worden in 360°.

De virtuele beleving stopt echter niet bij deze Belgian icons, want dankzij de Around box, kunnen ook locaties zoals de lounges The Loft en The Suite virtueel bezocht worden. Op die manier kan Brussels Airlines haar passagiers op een heel transparante manier laten kennismaken met haar producten.

De samenwerking met de Belgische start-up Around Media, past bovendien helemaal in het Belgitude-gevoel dat Brussels Airlines trots uitdraagt. Dankzij partnerships met tal van Belgische bedrijven helpt het zo om het beste van België naar de hele wereld te vliegen.

En dat laatste is Around Media momenteel aardig aan het lukken. Ze waren eerder dit jaar al aanwezig op Collision Conference in New Orleans, vlogen met Brussels Airlines naar Malaga om hun product in Spanje te lanceren en kijken er reikhalzend naar uit om binnenkort in Zwitserland hetzelfde te doen.



Clockwise from top left: Wannes Vanspranghe and Thijs Morlion, co-founders of Around Media; special virtual reality glasses allow viewers to visit the Belgian Red Devils' *Trident* plane at various Brussels Airlines events; the Around Box package helps people to create their own virtual reality experiences; a 360° view of the interior of the *Magritte* plane



Clockwise from right: Herman Carpentier, Aeropolitical VP of Brussels Airlines and Bernard Gustin, CEO of Brussels Airlines, present Muriel Jonckheere, founder of a maternity ward in Mbour, Senegal, with a cheque for €23,000; Herman Carpentier and Bernard Gustin present Jean de Cannière, Director of the United Fund for Belgium and Freddy Hernou of Junior Bears on Wheels with funds for their children's charity; Brussels Airlines staff enjoying the ride



EN BIKE FOR AFRICA 2016

Brussels Airlines raises more than €170,000 on its third Bike for Africa event

Several charities close to Brussels Airlines' heart have been presented with cheques to support their great work. Every two years, airline staff join sponsors to cycle through Africa and raise funds for a good cause. This year's event in January brought 70 participants to Senegal and The Gambia where participants pedalled 470km from Dakar to Banjul, raising a total of €172,000.

Horizons Clinic Trust Fund, which helps improve conditions for maternity wards in The Gambia, was the main beneficiary. A donation of €1,500 also went to a solar lighting project in Brefet, The Gambia, to provide electric lighting to a small village that had hosted the Bike for Africa group in February. In Senegal, Belgian Muriel Jonckheere, who built a maternity ward in Mbour (Muriel Africa) received €23,000 to upgrade the current infrastructure and buy a much-needed ultrasound machine. In Belgium, €30,000 was donated to Junior Bears on Wheels, part of the United Fund for Belgium charity, to purchase four youth sports wheelchairs and a trailer to give disabled children the chance to play wheelchair basketball. bikeforafrica.be



FR BIKE FOR AFRICA 2016

Brussels Airlines récolte plus de 170.000 € lors de la troisième édition de l'évènement

Les chèques ont été présentés en mai à plusieurs organismes de charité chers à Brussels Airlines. Tous les deux ans, le personnel de Brussels Airlines, accompagné de plusieurs sponsors, se met en selle pour parcourir l'Afrique et récolter des fonds pour une bonne cause. L'opération de cette année a conduit 70 participants au Sénégal et en Gambie, où ils ont parcouru 470 km, de Dakar à Banjul, pour récolter un total de 172.000 €.

Cette année, le fonds fiduciaire Horizons Clinic, qui s'efforce d'améliorer les conditions dans les maternités de Gambie, a été le principal bénéficiaire. 1.500 € sont également allés à un projet d'éclairage solaire à Brefet, en Gambie, pour fournir de l'électricité à un village qui avait hébergé le groupe en février. Au Sénégal, la Belge Muriel Jonckheere qui avait construit une maternité à Mbour (surnommée « Muriel Africa ») a reçu 23.000 € pour mettre à niveau l'infrastructure actuelle et acheter un appareil d'échographie bien utile. En Belgique, 30.000 € ont été donnés aux Junior Bears on Wheels, qui font partie de l'association caritative United Fund for Belgium, pour qu'ils achètent quatre chaises roulantes de sport et une remorque afin de donner à de jeunes handicapés l'occasion de jouer au basket. bikeforafrica.be

NL BIKE FOR AFRICA 2016

Brussels Airlines zamelt met de derde editie van Bike for Africa meer dan € 170.000 in

In mei ontvingen verschillende goede doelen die Brussels Airlines nauw aan het hart liggen een cheque. Om de twee jaar klimmen medewerkers van Brussels Airlines en enkele sponsors in het zadel voor een rit door Afrika om geld in te zamelen voor het goede doel. Dit jaar maakten 70 deelnemers een tocht van 470 km door Senegal en Gambia, van Dakar naar Banjul, die in het totaal € 172.000 opbracht.

Het leeuwendeel daarvan ging naar Horizons Clinic Trust Fund, dat de omstandigheden in Gambiaanse kraamklinieken wil verbeteren. In Gambia schonken we ook € 1.500 aan een zonne-energie project in Brefet om een dorpje waar de Bike for Africa-groep in februari te gast was, van elektrische verlichting te voorzien. In Senegal kreeg de Belgische Muriel Jonckheere, die een kraamafdeling opende in Mbour (Muriel Africa), € 23.000 om de huidige infrastructuur te verbeteren en voor een broodnodige echograaf. In België ging € 30.000 naar de Junior Bears on Wheels, die deel uitmaken van United Fund for Belgium vzw. Zij kochten er vier sportrolstoelen voor jongeren en een aanhangwagen mee om kinderen met een handicap de mogelijkheid te geven rolstoelbasketbal te spelen. bikeforafrica.be



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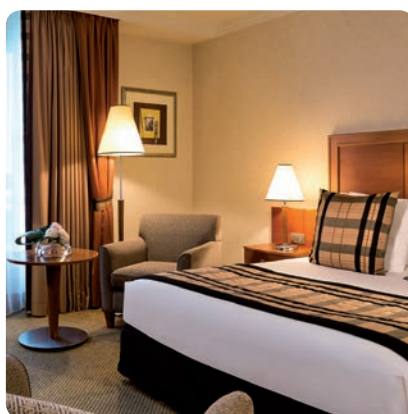
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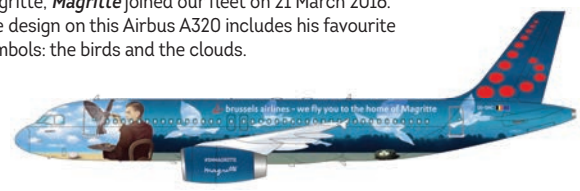
Painted as a great black shark, *Rackham* joined our fleet on 16 March 2015. The design on this Airbus A320 is based on a scene from the Tintin adventure "Red Rackham's Treasure".



MAGRITTE



Dedicated to one of the greatest Belgian artists, René Magritte, *Magritte* joined our fleet on 21 March 2016. The design on this Airbus A320 includes his favourite symbols: the birds and the clouds.



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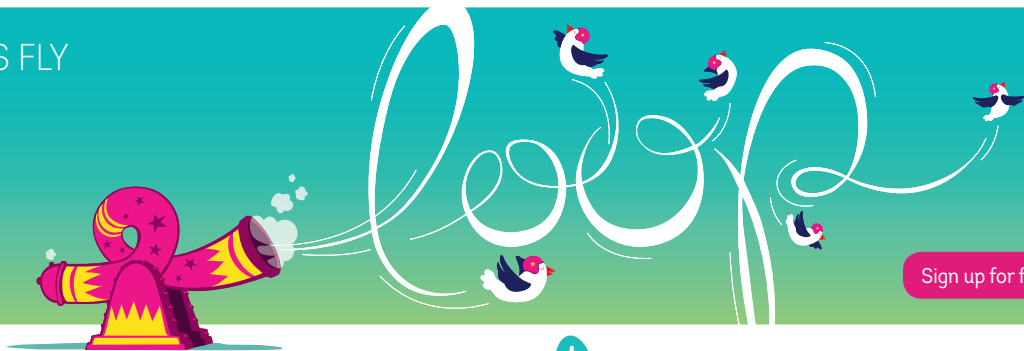
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De Winter is an accomplished 9-handicapper, a member of the Royal Antwerp Golf Club in Kapellen and a regular player in the Interclubs Men's Division 3. A self-proclaimed level head and strategist out on the course, he smiles wryly when asked whether his playing style bears any similarities to his firm's management philosophy. "There are undoubtedly some parallels. I'm a pretty cautious player and I tend to avoid risky shots. I stick to what I'm good at and try to play a consistent, tactical game. At Delen Private Bank, we manage our clients' assets with clarity,

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Delen Private Bank recently decided to sponsor Belgian golf prodigy Thomas Pieters. It comes as no surprise that De Winter was the driving force behind this decision. "He's young, talented, hard-working and remarkably level-headed. I'm confident he's going to be a top 10 player one day. He's extremely ambitious. That's the mark of a true champion."

The private bank, which manages more than €25 billion of assets in Belgium, has a long-standing relationship with golf. "We've been organising competitions for our clients for years now. Many of our clients are proficient and knowledgeable players, and this prestigious new partnership with Thomas Pieters is certainly going to prove popular."

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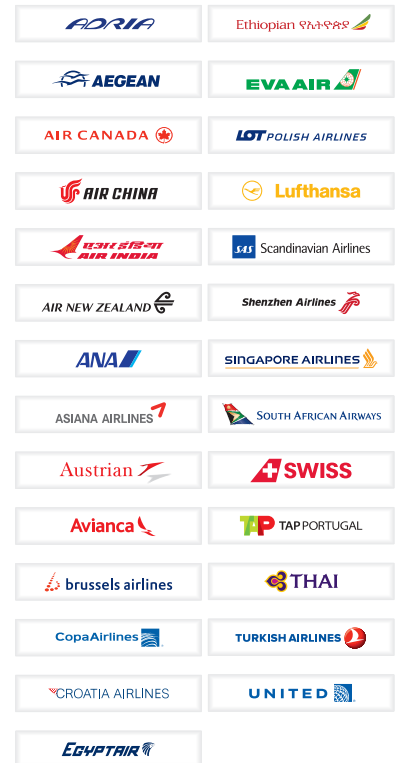
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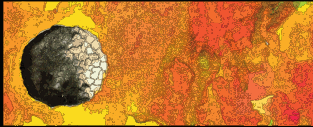


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RISTORANTE DA GIOVANNI

The interior of Da Giovanni speaks volumes. The wine bottles, the checkered tablecloths, the lampshades, the replicas of the Italian masters. All making the Da Giovanni a top Italian restaurant.

The restaurant is already fifteen years old which is not surprising: the charming waiters let you admire their fine accent, the chefs perform a show on the dough while rhythmically moving in the background, others decorate the pastry in a jiffy and Pizza is made with the speed of light in a stone oven. Whoever loves Italian cuisine will be delighted, basics like Pasta and Pizza are available here, as are the more elaborate dishes such as Pesci et Carni.

If the food and the entertainment value haven't yet convinced you, consider the location. In the historic center of Antwerpen, near the cathedral, and the Green City Market. Immerse yourself in an authentic Italian atmosphere.



US CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

EN Passengers entering the United States without a visa must hold a machine-readable passport. This also applies to children and infants.

Passengers entering the United States under the Visa Waiver programme are required to register online with the Electronic System for Travel Authorisation prior to their departure. Authorisation may take up to 72 hours so please ensure you register as early as possible.

The following categories of passengers now have access to the Automatic Passport Control kiosks in the terminal:

1. A passenger under the Visa Waiver Program who

- is a returning visitor from one of the participating Visa Waiver countries
- has a valid ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) on file
- has previously visited the United States after 2006 and are currently using the same passport as on the previous trip

2. US citizens

3. Green card holders

4. Holders of a Visa type B1 or B2

Customs Declaration: all passengers must complete the Customs Declaration before arrival in the US. On the front, please enter your personal particulars, answer all questions and sign. If you are

carrying any dutiable goods, these must be declared on the reverse.

If you are a transit passenger, please write "TRANSIT" and state your final destination country. Read both sides of the declaration and sign at the bottom. Write in English and in capital letters.

FR Les passagers qui entrent sur le territoire américain sans visa doivent obligatoirement être en possession d'un passeport électronique. Cette mesure s'applique également aux enfants et aux nouveau-nés.

Les passagers qui voyagent aux Etats-Unis dans le cadre du Programme d'Exemption de Visa doivent s'enregistrer sur internet avant le départ via le Système d'Autorisation Electronique de Voyage. L'octroi de l'autorisation peut prendre jusqu'à 72 heures.

Certaines catégories de passagers ont la possibilité d'utiliser les kiosques de contrôle automatique des passeports:

1. les ressortissants d'un pays participant au Programme d'Exemption de Visa

- Revenir d'un pays participant au Programme d'Exemption de Visa
- Etre en possession d'une attestation électronique de voyage ESTA valable
- Avoir visité les Etats-Unis après

2006 ou au cours des années suivantes, et utiliser le même passeport que lors du dernier voyage

2. les citoyens des Etats-Unis

3. les titulaires d'une carte verte

4. les titulaires d'un visa B1 ou B2

Déclaration de douane: tout passager doit compléter le formulaire de déclaration de douane avant son arrivée sur le sol américain. Au recto, veuillez préciser vos données personnelles, répondre aux questions puis signer. Si vous transportez des marchandises taxables, celles-ci doivent être déclarées au verso. Si vous voyagez en transit, précisez « TRANSIT » et votre destination finale. Vous confirmez enfin avoir pris connaissance des deux faces du document en signant au bas de chacune. Le tout doit être rédigé en anglais et en lettres capitales.

NL Passagiers die de VS zonder visum bezoeken, dienen in het bezit te zijn van een machinaal leesbaar paspoort. Dat geldt ook voor kinderen en baby's.

Passagiers die onder het Visa Waiver Programma naar de VS willen reizen, moeten online een aanvraag indienen via het Electronic System for Travel Authorisation. Dit kan tot 72 uur duren. Doe de aanvraag dus vroeg.

De Automatische Paspoortcontrole kiosks zijn beschikbaar voor de volgende passagiers:

1) Passagier onder het Visa Waiver Programma

● Een terugkerende bezoeker zijn uit een land dat deelneemt aan het Visa Waiver Programma

● Een geldige ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) bezitten

● De Verenigde Staten bezocht hebben na 2006 en nog steeds in het bezit zijn van hetzelfde paspoort als op hun voorgaande reis

2. Burgers van de Verenigde Staten

3. Bezitters van een Green Card

4. Bezitters van een Visa type B1 of B2

Douaneaangifteformulier: passagiers moeten voor hun aankomst het douaneaangifteformulier invullen. Vul op de voorkant uw persoonlijke gegevens in, beantwoord alle vragen en onderteken. Als u belastbare goederen bij zich hebt, moeten die op de achterkant worden aangegeven. Bent u op doorreis, schrijf dan 'TRANSIT' en uw eindbestemming. Lees beide kanten van het aangifteformulier zorgvuldig en plaats uw handtekening onderaan. Schrijf in het Engels en gebruik hoofdletters.

CANADA CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

EN All passengers need to present acceptable travel documents and identification at the border, such as a valid passport.

Visa-exempt foreign nationals who fly to or transit through Canada will need an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA).

Exceptions include US citizens and passengers with a valid visa.

Customs Declaration: all passengers, including international transit passengers (except those travelling to the US), must complete the Border & Customs declaration form.

FR Tous les passagers doivent montrer des documents de voyage et une pièce d'identité valables à la frontière, tel qu'un passeport valide.

Les voyageurs étrangers dispensés de visa, qui transitent vers le Canada ou volent vers le Canada, devront obtenir une autorisation de voyage électronique (AVE). Les seules exceptions sont les citoyens des Etats-Unis et les ressortissants étrangers disposant d'un visa valide.

Déclaration de douane : Tous les passagers, qui transitent par le Canada (à l'exception des passagers ayant pour destination les Etats-Unis), doivent remplir le formulaire de déclaration douanière.

NL Alle passagiers moeten bij aankomst in Canada geldige reisdocumenten en een paspoort kunnen voorleggen aan de grenscontrole.

Alle reizigers die zonder visum naar Canada reizen, of via Canada naar een andere

bestemming gaan, dienen in het bezit te zijn van een eTA (Electronic Travel Authorization). Dit is niet van toepassing voor Amerikaanse staatsburgers en passagiers die in het bezit zijn van een geldig visum.

Douaneaangifteformulier: alle passagiers, ook alle internationale transitpassagiers (met uitzondering van reizigers naar de VS), moeten het Grenscontrole & Douane aangifteformulier volledig invullen.

AT THE AIRPORT



Brussels Airport, the home base of Brussels Airlines, is tailored to suit the needs of all passengers whether they require a full-service product or are low-fare seekers. International surveys and ratings have shown that Brussels Airport is one of the most welcoming and efficient in the world

TRANSFERS

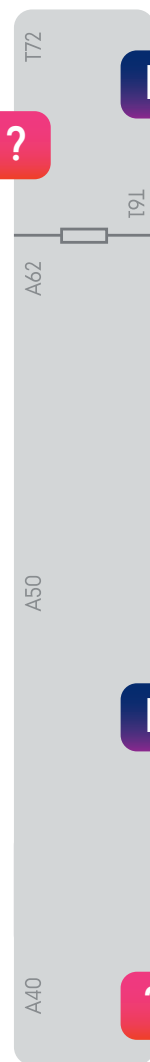
If you are already in possession of your boarding pass for your connecting flight, please proceed directly to your gate. If you need to get a boarding pass for your connecting flight, please proceed to the nearest Brussels Airlines Service Centre.

ARRIVAL AT GATES A • Connecting flight at Gates A: follow signs to Gates A; • Connecting flight at Gates B: follow signs to Gates B, via The Connector; • Connecting flight at Gates T: follow signs to Gates T.

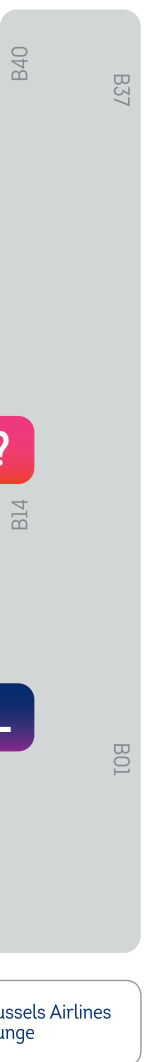
ARRIVAL AT GATES B • Connecting flight at Gates A: follow signs to Gates A, via The Connector; • Connecting flight at Gates B: follow signs to Gates B; • Connecting flight at Gates T: follow signs to Gates T, via shuttle bus at B93 (level 0)

DISCOVER THE BRAND-NEW SHOPPING AREA IN THE NEW CONNECTOR BUILDING

Gates A/T



Gates B



Next to T64 (level 1)

Sunrise Lounge
Next to T69 (level 1)



Next to B14 (level 3)

THE LOFT
Opposite A42 (level 2)

THE SUITE
Opposite B01 (take lift to level 4)

The Connector



Opposite gate A40 (level 1)

Brussels Airlines Service Centre

Brussels Airlines Lounge

TRANSPORT TO/FROM BRUSSELS AIRPORT

CAR RENTAL The car rental companies are located in the arrivals hall on level 2. To return your car, follow the signage to Front Park 1. The administrative procedure to return a rental car takes about 10 minutes.

TAXIS Taxis are continuously available outside the arrivals hall on level 2. We advise you to use official taxis carrying a yellow/blue licence emblem. Wheelchair users can reserve a taxi with Taxi Hendriks via tel. +32 (0)2 752 9800 or hendriks.be

BUSES The bus station is located on level 0 and provides services to many cities around Brussels Airport.

TRAINS The train station is located on level -1. The Brussels Airport Express takes you up to six times an hour to the centre of Brussels in 15 minutes, from where you can connect to the Belgian and international rail networks. There are also direct train services from the airport to every corner of Belgium. For more information, please visit b-rail.be

LOST, FOUND AND REFUSED OBJECTS

• **In the terminal:** Send an email to lost.objects@brusselsairport.be or use the Lost & Found form on the Brussels Airport website brusselsairport.be (Passengers > Baggage & travel information > Lost & found > contact form).

• **Left on board:** go to the Brussels Airlines desk in the baggage reclaim area or email lost.properties@brusselsairlines.com; **Lost baggage:** go to the Brussels Airlines desk in the baggage reclaim area.

INFLIGHT ENTERTAINMENT

Your guide to this month's selection of movies, TV, music and games on board

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WE ARE OPERATING TWO ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEMS ON BOARD OUR FLEET

SYSTEM 1



BUSINESS CLASS

Business Class guests access their entertainment via the remote control or the touchscreen

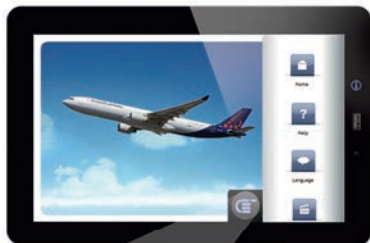
ECONOMY CLASS

Economy Class guests access their entertainment via the touchscreen



1 How to access your entertainment via the touchscreen

BUSINESS & ECONOMY CLASS



Press the Application button to access a variety of inflight entertainment options

2 How to access your entertainment via the remote control

BUSINESS CLASS ONLY



Detach the remote control from your seat, and access the entertainment system using the navigation button

3 How to adjust your screen settings

BUSINESS CLASS ONLY

Press the Settings button on your remote to adjust settings, activate reading light, or call for an attendant



BUSINESS & ECONOMY CLASS

Press the Settings button to adjust settings, activate reading light, or call for an attendant



SYSTEM 2

BUSINESS CLASS

Your entertainment is accessible via the remote control located on the side of the armrest, either on the right or on the left.

LCD Display

Quick access

Volume

Home

Navigation keys

Brightness

Video controls



ECONOMY CLASS

Your entertainment is accessible via the remote control located on the seat in front, just below the screen.

Volume

Home/Mode

Navigation keys

Attendant call

Reading light

Video controls



NEW RELEASES



Batman V Superman: Dawn of Justice (2016) **PG** 145 mins
EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL** Director Zack Snyder Cast Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill



Au Nom de ma Fille (2016)
NR 97 mins FR, **EN**
Director Vincent Garenq
Cast Daniel Auteuil, Sebastian Koch



Pele: Birth of a Legend (2016) **NR** 107 mins EN, FR, DE
Director Jeff Zimbalist Cast Vincent D'Onofrio, Rodrigo Santoro.



BELGIAN HIGHLIGHT

Keeper (2015) **NR** 91 mins FR, **EN** Director Guillaume Senez
Cast Kacey Mottet Klein, Galatée Bellugi, Laetitia Dosch



Everybody Wants Some!! (2016)
R 109 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, **NL**
Director Richard Linklater Cast
Blake Jenner, Tyler Hoechlin



Premier Crus (2015)
NR 97 mins FR, **EN**
Director Jérôme Le Gris Cast Gérard
Lanvin, Jalil Lespert, Alice Taglioni



Lolo (2015) **NR** 100 mins FR, **EN**
Director Julie Delpy
Cast Julie Delpy, Dany Boon,
Vincent Lacoste



BELGIAN HIGHLIGHT

Prejudice (2015)
NR 105 mins FR, **EN**
Director Antoine Cuypers Cast Ariane Labeled, Nathalie Baye, Éric Caravaca



London has Fallen (2016)
R 93 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, **NL**
Director Babak Najafi
Cast Gerard Butler, Aaron Eckhart



Kung Fu Panda 3 (2016) **PG** 95 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT
Director Alessandro Carloni Cast Jack Black, Bryan Cranston

CLASSICS



Mars Attacks (1996)
PG 105 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT Director
Tim Burton Cast Jack Nicholson,
Pierce Brosnan, Sarah Jessica Parker



Crazy Heart (2009) **R**
108 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Scott Cooper Cast Jeff
Bridges, Maggie Gyllenhaal



The Blind Side (2009) **PG** 128 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT
Director John Lee Hancock Cast Quinton Aaron, Sandra Bullock



Ever After (1998) **PG** 121 mins
EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Andy Tennant Cast Drew
Barrymore, Anjelica Huston

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RECENT MOVIES



The Intern (2015) **PG-13** 117 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Nancy Meyers Cast Robert De Niro, Anne Hathaway



Love and Mercy (2014) **PG-13**
119 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT
Director Bill Pohlad
Cast John Cusack, Paul Dano



Everest (2015) **PG-13** 121 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, **NL**
Directors Baltasar Kormákur Cast Jason Clarke, Jake Gyllenhaal, Ang Phula



The Martian (2015) **PG-13**
142 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Ridley Scott Cast Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain



The Town (2010)
R 121 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT
Director Ben Affleck Cast Ben Affleck, Rebecca Hall, Jon Hamm



Fantastic Four (2015) **PG-13**
100 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT
Director Josh Trank
Cast Miles Teller, Kate Mara



The Grand Budapest Hotel (2014) **R** 99 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Wes Anderson Cast Ralph Fiennes, F. Murray Abraham



The Wolverine (2013) **PG-13** 127 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director James Mangold Cast Hugh Jackman, Will Yun Lee



The Book Thief (2013) **PG-13**
131 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Brian Percival
Cast Sophie Nélisse, Geoffrey Rush



Far from the Madding Crowd (2015) **PG-13** 119 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Thomas Vinterberg Cast Carey Mulligan, Matthias Schoenaerts



Getaway (2013) **PG-13** 90 mins
EN, FR, ES, IT, PT Director Courtney Solomon Cast Ethan Hawke, Selena Gomez, Jon Voight



Crazy, Stupid, Love (2011)
PG-13 118 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Glenn Ficarra Cast Steve Carell, Ryan Gosling, Julianne Moore



Pacific Rim (2013) **PG-13** 126 mins
EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Guillermo del Toro
Cast Idris Elba, Charlie Hunnam



The Lego Movie (2014) **PG** 100 mins EN, FR, DE, ES, IT, PT, **NL**
Director Phil Lord Cast Chris Pratt, Will Ferrell

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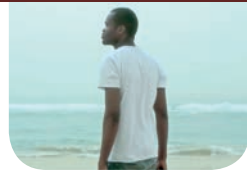
AFRICAN CINEMA



Un Homme qui Crie (2010) **NR** 92 mins FR, EN Director Mahamat-Saleh Haroun Cast Youssouf Djaoro, Diouc Koma, Emile Abossolo M'bo



GriGris (2013) **NR** 100 mins FR, EN Director Mahamat-Saleh Haroun
Cast Souleymane Dème, Anaïs Monory, Cyril Guei



Nous Irons Vivre ailleurs (2012) **NR** 67 mins FR, EN
Director Nicolas Karolszyka Cast Christian Mupondo, Leticia Belliccini

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TV SERIES



Fringe Season 2, Episodes 1-10, 12-14

NR 46 mins EN, FR

BOX SET



The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air Season 2, Episodes 1-3, 5-12, 15-16

NR 22 mins EN, FR

BOX SET



Person of Interest Season 1, Episodes 1-13

NR 45 mins EN, FR

BOX SET



Bones S9 Episode 2: The Cheat in the Retreat

NR 43 mins EN, NL



The Middle Season 5, Episodes 1-13

NR 22 mins EN, FR

BOX SET



Modern Family Season 3 Episode 11: Lifetime Supply

NR 22 mins EN, FR



Gillette World Sports Episode 13

NR 25 mins EN



The Mentalist Season 4, Episode 14: At First Blush

NR 43 mins EN, FR



Uganda - How to Get a Bike Taxi

NR 52 mins FR, NL

TV DOCUMENTARIES



Night Stalkers Eps Hyena Gangs

NR 45 mins

EN, FR

KIDDY CORNER



The Adventures Of Tintin

Red Rackham's Treasure

NR 22 mins FR, NL

BELGIAN HIGHLIGHT



Penguins Of Madagascar Hello, Dollface

NR 22 mins EN, FR



Lucky Luke Calamity Jane

NR 24 mins EN, FR



Spirou & Fantasio Zorclub's Ark

NR 23 mins EN, FR



Dora The Explorer

Super Babies Dream Adventure

NR 23 mins EN, FR



Yakari First Gallop/The Dream Catcher

NR 25 mins EN, FR



The Garfield Show Iceman

NR 25 mins EN, FR



My Little Pony Friendship is Magic

Dragonshy

NR 22 mins EN, FR

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BELGIAN HIGHLIGHTS (ONLY AVAILABLE ON SYSTEM 1)



Be Part Of Brussels Airlines NR 3 mins EN



#TousEnsemble Belgium-Bosnia & Herzegovina: The Aftermovie NR EN



#TousEnsemble Cyprus-Belgium: The Aftermovie NR EN



Discover The Gold Status Feeling NR 1min EN



#TousEnsemble France-Belgium: The Aftermovie NR EN



#TousEnsemble Wales-Belgium: The Aftermovie NR EN

TOMORROWLAND (ONLY AVAILABLE ON SYSTEM 1)



Tomorrowland 2014 NR 33 mins EN

Brussels Airlines proudly flew over 14,000 passengers from around the world including Australia, the US and Europe to Belgium for the Tomorrowland music festival. Discover what Tomorrowland is all about and relive the madness, love, unity and magic in this 2014 aftermovie.

BELGIAN HIGHLIGHT



Dimitri Vegas & Like Mike – Bringing The World The Madness (2014) NR EN

Dimitri Vegas & Like Mike kick off their world tour with a spectacular show in the Antwerp Sportpaleis.

BELGIAN HIGHLIGHT



Dimitri Vegas & Like Mike – At Tomorrowland (2014) NR EN

Tomorrowland resident DJs Dimitri Vegas & Like Mike with their amazing set at Tomorrowland 2014.

BELGIAN HIGHLIGHT

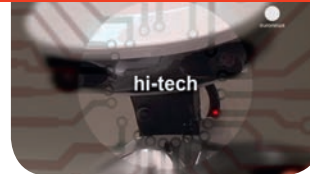
EURONEWS (ONLY AVAILABLE ON SYSTEM 1)



Daily News Watch the daily news presented by euronews, Europe's most watched news channel.



Weekly News Keep up-to-date with the week's events and news, including Business Line.



Magazines A monthly insight into business, culture, technology and lifestyle trends.



Weather Check out the world weather view for today and tomorrow come rain or shine.

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BLUES & COUNTRY



Blues & Country

Joe Bonamassa Drive
 One eskimO Kandi
 Frank Foster Over Anything
 Motörhead Lost Woman Blues
 Ray LaMontagne Hey, No Pressure
 Bonnie Raitt I Knew
 John Hiatt Walk On
 Lucinda Williams Faith & Grace
 John Mayall I Want To Go
 Allie Louise Perfect Storm
 Tedeschi Trucks Band Anyhow
 Buddy Miller & Friends Wild Horses (with Shawn Colvin)



Bonnie Raitt
Dig in Deep



Lucinda Williams
The Ghosts Of Highway 20



Tedeschi Trucks Band
Let Me Get By



Buddy Miller & Friends
Cayamo Sessions at Sea



Allie Louise
Allie Louise EP

SPIRIT OF AFRICA



Spirit of Africa

Rokia Traoré Kénia
 Charlotte Dipanda Elle n'a pas vu
 Josey Diplôme
 Roga Roga Lettre au président [feat. Chairman Koyo]
 Samba Touré Gafoure
 Baaba Maal Fulani Rock
 Snarky Puppy Soro (Afriki) [feat. Salif Keita, Carlos Malta & Bernardo Aguiar]
 Zenglen Sincerely Yours
 Tiken Jah Fakoly Fade Away [feat. Jah9]
 Boubacar Traore Bougoudani
 Kassé Mady Diabaté Ko Kuma Magni



Baaba Maal
The Traveller



Boubacar Traore
Mbalimaou



Rokia Traoré
Ne So

BELGIAN JAZZ



Belgian Jazz

Dani Klein Comes Love
 Natacha Wuyts & Charles Loos St James Infirmary
 Wim Mertens According To The One
 Philip Catherine L'Eternel Désir
 Peter Hertmans Quartet Peace
 Eve Beuvs No Way Out Running
 Igor Gehenot Trio Song For Eden [feat. Igor Gehenot, Philippe Aerts, Teun Verbruggen]
 Joachim Caffonnette Quintet The One-Legged Man
 Diederik Wissels A Sequel To You
 Toots Thielemans Palabras



Antoine Pierre
Urbex



Zefiro Torna - Frank Vaganée Trio
Scattered Rhymes



Harold And The Royce
Evolution Revolution



Eve Beuvs
Heptatomic



Charles Loos & Jean Pierre Catoul
Summer Winds

VIP LOUNGE



VIP Lounge

A Tribe Called Quest Can I Kick It [J. Cole Remix]
 Jamhunters Musicolors
 Eric Marienthal & Chuck Loeb Westward
 Moonchild Nobody
 Terrace Martin Valdez off Crenshaw
 Marc Moulin Le bruit de l'ombre
 Jazz Funk Soul Connections
 Blank and Jones Nuits Blanches
 Fourplay Quicksilver
 Nils Open Space



Eric Marienthal & Chuck Loeb
Bridges



Blank and Jones
Pure lounge

ELECTRO-DANCE



Electro-Dance

Steve Angell Steve Angell 2015 Mix
 Oliver Heldens Oliver Heldens 2015 Mix

BOARDING MUSIC



Boarding Music

Michael Franks The Chemistry Of Love
 Eric Tingstad Mississippi
 The Civil Wars Dust to Dust
 Pat Metheny Cherish
 Snarky Puppy Somebody Home [feat. David Crosby] edit
 Lars Danielsson Sarabande
 Lemar Love Song
 Moonchild Nobody
 Fred Hersch Both Sides Now
 Blank and Jones Face A La Mer (Jazzed)
 Alfredo Rodriguez Raices (Roots) [feat. Richard Bona]
 Eva Cassidy Wonderful World (Live)
 Steven Wilson Year of the Plague



Stacey Kent
Tenderly



Pat Metheny
What's It All About

SOUL



Soul

Anderson .Paak Am I Wrong [feat. ScHoolboy Q]
 Craig David x Big Narstie When The Bassline Drops
 Prince Revelation
 Marvin Gaye Praise
 The Main Ingredient Happiness Is Just Around The Bend
 KING Hey (Extended Mix)
 Rumer Be Thankful for What You Got
 Earth, Wind & Fire That's The Way Of The World
 Bobby Caldwell and Jack Splash Miami Nights
 Babyface Love And Devotion
 R.Kelly Get Out Of Here With Me
 Seal Half A Heart
 Stevie Wonder Signed, Sealed, Delivered I'm Yours



Babyface
Return Of The Tender Lover



KING
We Are King

CLASSICAL



Classical

Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra & Yannick Nézet-Séguin
 Symphony No. 1 in D Major II. Kräftig bewegt, doch nicht zu schnell (Live)
 Gustavo Nunez & Academy of St. Martin in the Fields Bassoon Concerto in C Major, RV 474 I. Allegro
 Gustavo Nunez & Academy of St. Martin in the Fields Bassoon Concerto in C Major, RV 474 II. Allegro
 Gustavo Nunez & Academy of St. Martin in the Fields Bassoon Concerto in C Major, RV 474 III. Largo
 Martin Fröst & Adolf Fredriks Flickkor Ancient Suite
 Vilde Frang, hr Sinfonieorchester & James Gaffigan Violin Concerto in D Major, Op. 35 I. Moderato nobile
 Vilde Frang, hr Sinfonieorchester & James Gaffigan Violin Concerto in D Major, Op. 35 III. Allegro assai vivace
 Vilde Frang, hr Sinfonieorchester & James Gaffigan Violin Concerto in D



Seong-Jin Cho
Winner Of The 17th International Fryderyk Chopin Piano Competition Warsaw 2015



Julia Lezhneva
Handel



Simone Guttman
Oeuvres pour Piano - Rodrigo



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Brussels Philharmonic plays live

INSPIRATIONAL



Emerald Book

The Guo Brothers Soldiers of the Long March
 Cliff Eidelmann The Mourning, Hunger
 Stefan Micus Yuko's eyes
 Jan Garbarek Qaws
 Jan Garbarek & Boine Persen Psalm
 D. Shostakovich Andante
 Frank Bridge Nocturne
 Arild Andersen If you look
 Arvo Pärt Miserere - part 3



Wouter Vandenaabeele
Chansons pour le temps qui reste



Hélène Grimaud and Nitin
Sawhney Water



BELGIAN HIGHLIGHTS



Belgian Highlights

Grandgeorge How Long
Nightman How To Be Alone
Alice on the roof Mystery Light
Bazart Goud
Pieter Embrechts Zomernachten
Bent Van Looy 30 Days Without Sun
Dan San Dream
Soulwax The Best Thing
Sioen Cruisin
Lylac Funny How Beautiful Life Is
Neo Heave Into View
Arno I'm Just An Old Motherfucker
Waldorf Maggots
Oaktree Encounter
Ozark Henry It Was a Queer Sultry Summer



Alice on the roof
Higher



Arno
Human Incognito



Lylac
Living by the Rules We're Making



Pieter Embrechts
Onderwoud

POP & ROCK



Pop & Rock

The Corrs I Do What I Like
Adele Water under the bridge
Joy Williams Woman (Oh Mama) [Album Version]
Nothing But Thieves If I Get High
Lissie Don't You Give Up On Me
Coldplay Everglow
Gavin James Nervous
Noel Gallagher The Dying Of The Light
Paul Carrack Bet Your Life
Day Wave Gone
John Legend Under The Stars
Dave Gahan & Soulsavers Shine
Stereophonics Song For The Summer
Matthew Perryman Jones Wrestling Tigers



David Bowie
Blackstar



Lissie
My Wild West



Coldplay
A Head Full of Dreams

BELGIAN GOLD



Jacques Brel
Les Marquises



Beverly Jo Scott
Mudcakes



Michel Herr
Intuitions



Philip Catherine
Oscar



dEUS
The Ideal Crash



Stromae
Racine Carrée

MUSIC PICK

Pieter Embrechts

Actor, director and writer Pieter Embrechts may have a decent TV career, but it's music he's really known for - and lots of different genres at that. From Cuban mambo, performed with Flemish Latin band El Tattoo Del Tigre; pop on 2004 debut Dutch album *Maanzin*, and even Malian folk in the award-winning musical *Sunjata*. *Listen to Pieter's latest pop album **Onderwoud** on board now*



ROCK CLASSICS



Rock Classics

Stephen Stills Church (Part of Someone)
Fleetwood Mac Sara (2015 Remastered)
Joe Cocker Feeling Alright
Dave Mason We Just Disagree
James Taylor Shower The People
Traffic Empty Pages
Jim Capaldi The Low Spark Of High Heeled Boys
Steve Winwood Night Train
Deep Purple Holy Man
America Riverside
The Edgar Winter Group Free Ride
Steely Dan Chain Lightning
The Beatles Penny Lane
Alex Harvey Band Faith Healer



Elton John
Tumbleweed Connection



Eagles
One Of These Nights



Fleetwood Mac
Tusk

FLASHBACK



60s Fever

The Beach Boys I Get Around
Wilson Pickett Mustang Sally
John Fred & His Playboy Band Judy In Disguise (With Glasses)
Trini Lopez If I Had A Hammer
The Monkees I'm A Believer
Petula Clark Downtown
Danny Williams Moon River
Donovan Catch The Wind
The Shadows Apache
Dionne Warwick Walk On By
Aretha Franklin I Say A Little Prayer
Roy Orbison Oh, Pretty Woman
Ben E. King Stand By Me
The Highwaymen Michael (Row The Boat Ashore)
The Tokens The Lion Sleeps Tonight
The Supremes Where Did Our Love Go
Los Bravos Black Is Black
Bobby Hebb Sunny
Jefferson Airplane Somebody To Love
Ricky Nelson Hello Mary Lou
Bobbie Gentry Ode to Billy Joe

FLASHBACK



70s Fever

Isaac Hayes Theme From Shaft
Sly And The Family Stone Thank You

(Falletin Me Be Mice Elf Agin)
Creedence Clearwater Revival Up Around The Bend
Dramatics Whatcha See Is Whatcha Get
Delaney And Bonnie And Friends Never Ending Song Of Love
Billy Preston Nothing From Nothing
Shirley And Company Shame, Shame, Shame
Van McCoy The Hustle
Patti Smith Group Because The Night
Silver Wham Bam (Shang-A-Lang)
Frankie Valli My Eyes Adored You
New Seekers I'd Like To Teach The World To Sing (In Perfect Harmony)
Redbone The Witch Queen Of New Orleans
Daniel Boone Beautiful Sunday
Reunion Life Is A Rock (But The Radio Rolled Me)
Terry Jacks Seasons In The Sun
Jigsaw Sky High
Yvonne Elliman If I Can't Have You
Joni Mitchell California

FLASHBACK



80s Fever

Bobby McFerrin Don't Worry Be Happy
Donnie Iris Ah! Leah!
Larsen-Feiten Band Who'll Be The Fool Tonight
Leo Sayer More Than I Can Say
Quincy Jones & Toots Thielemans Velas
Randy Crawford One Day I'll Fly Away
Rupert Holmes Special Thanks
BBQ Band On The Beat
The Cars I'm Not The One
Climax Blues Band I love you
Dan Fogelberg Same Old Lang Syne
Emmylou Harris Mister Sandman
George Harrison All Those Years Ago
James Taylor Her Town Too

FLASHBACK



90s Fever

MC Hammer U Can't Touch This
Crowded House Weather With You
Joy Askew Cool Water
Cowboy Junkies Witches
Michael Jackson Gone Too Soon
Annie Lennox The Gift
Prefab Sprout We Let The Stars Go
John Miles Forever And Ever
Jennifer Warnes Big Noise, New York
Boz Scaggs I'll Be The One
Massive Attack Protection
Bruce Hornsby Spider Fingers
Tears For Fears Secrets



ACTION & ARCADE



Farm Chase HELP! Chuckle's farmhouse has been raided by evil sheep. Roll through the farm gathering beans and special powers that will help you on your mission – but avoid the sheep to stay alive. It's up to you to save the day!

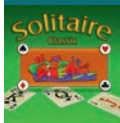


Fish Fighter Get ready to eat, or be eaten! Dive into the ocean and eat as many fish as you can in this aquatic adventure. Eat the required number of fish to progress through levels. If you like seafood, you're in for a treat!



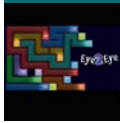
Fruit Strike An apple for an apple, a peach for a peach! Aim high in this juicy game as you try to hit clusters of fruit and disintegrate them before they pile up into a fruity heap!

CARDS & CASINO



Solitaire Classic Indulge yourself in a classic game of Solitaire! Keep your eye on the clock as you try to arrange the cards in order. Open columns and transfer cards in order to the four stacks. It's not as easy as it sounds!

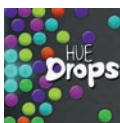
PUZZLES, BOARD & STRATEGY



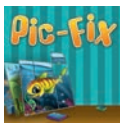
Eye 2 Eye The lonely eyes are missing their mates. Draw a path between two eyes of the same colour, while filling up the entire grid. Bring all the eyes together in the fewest possible attempts, as you try to score three stars at every level.



Go Five in a Row This is a simpler offshoot of the ancient Japanese game I-Go. The game is played on an 8x8 grid and the goal is to place five coins in a row vertically, horizontally or diagonally on the board. Get ready to match wits!



Hue Drops Feast your eyes on this vibrant and colourful puzzle game! Colour the entire board the shade of the target colour, and score combo bonuses. Use power-ups in challenging puzzles to complete all the levels before you run out of turns!



Pic-Fix A great game for both kids and adults! Be the first to get three of the same sea animals in a line horizontally, vertically or diagonally. Choose between five different types of sea animals to mark your spot.



Sudoku Classic Sudoku is the puzzle the whole world is addicted to! A 9x9 grid divided into nine 3x3 boxes has a few numbers already in place. Fill the empty spaces so that the numbers 1-9 appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 box.

WORLD TRIVIA QUIZ



World Wise World Wise is a fresh, fun and quick test of your global cultural awareness. Ever wonder where countries get their traditions? Play World Wise and learn about some of the world's most interesting cultural customs and practices!

ACTOR PROFILE

Jake Gyllenhaal

Growing up in Los Angeles with film-director dad Stephen Gyllenhaal and screenwriter-mum Naomi Foner, it's no surprise that Jake Gyllenhaal started acting young. By the age of 11, he'd already made his screen debut in the 1991 film *City Slickers*, and continued to play smaller roles in a number of films throughout the 1990s.



His breakthrough came in 1999 when he played rocketeer Homer Hickam in *October Sky*, soon followed by the titular character in indie cult film *Donnie Darko* (2001) which earned him an Independent Spirit Award nomination for Best Actor. The accolades haven't really stopped since. Gyllenhaal's portrayal of Wyoming cowboy Jack Twist in *Brokeback Mountain* (2005) not only won him the BAFTA Award for Best Actor in a Supporting Role and a nomination for the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor, but it also helped him acquire the prestigious MTV Movie Award for Best Kiss for his famed snogging scenes with co-star Heath Ledger. Other major films to earn him critical acclaim include science fiction thriller *Source Code* (2011) and dark media satire *Nightcrawler* (2014). Gyllenhaal has just announced he'll be teaming up again with filmmaker Denis Villeneuve (director of *Enemy* and *Prisoners*) to bring Jo Nesbo's Scandi crime novel *The Son* to the big screen.

Watch Jake in climbing thriller Everest, available on board now

TV PICK

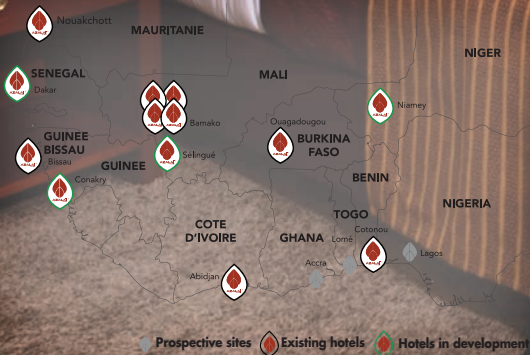


The Middle

Just renewed for an eighth season, this American sitcom about a working-class family from Indiana, has been called "the US's most underrated comedy" by *Digital Spy*. Told from the perspective of mum Frances 'Frankie' Heck (played by *Everybody Loves Raymond*'s Patricia Heaton), the series follows her and husband Mike's (*Scrubs*' Neil Flynn) struggles as they raise their three eccentric children. An initial slow-burner, the programme has risen to cult appeal over the years and received countless nominations for comedy TV series awards. *The Middle Season 5 is available on board now*



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