



While spontaneity is awesome, a level of preplanning provides direction and an opportunity for photographic research and planning.

PRINT SIZE: A5
14cm x 21cm /
5.83" x 8.27"

MAIN PLANNING

- **WEATHER:** What time of the year works best? Can you avoid crowds? Can you stay out of the desert when it's 120°F / 48°C or out the mountains when blizzard conditions are likely?
- **ACCOMMODATIONS:** Will you be staying in motels, hostels, camping, or in your vehicle?
- **ELECTRICITY:** Photographers need electricity. When and where are you going to find it or provide it?
- **HOW LONG WILL YOU BE GONE?:** How far can you travel in that timeframe?
Is it a round trip – meaning you must have time to get there and then get back?

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- ☐ Do you have adequate maps, both paper and electronic, in your own language?
- ☐ Do you have a clear understanding of the driving laws in the country that you'll be visiting?
- ☐ Do you need an International Driver's License permit?
- ☐ What insurance might you need?
- ☐ Do you know where the spare tire is and how to remove it?
- ☐ Is your vehicle large enough to accommodate everyone, their personal gear, and their photography gear comfortably?
- ☐ Do you have your documents in order and easily accessible. It's not uncommon to be stopped by armed military or law enforcement roadblocks in some countries. Be prepared and at ease.

DRIVING CONSIDERATIONS

- ☐ Did you have your vehicle serviced before leaving?
- ☐ Will you be venturing off-road and is your vehicle equipped for that?
- ☐ Are you carrying extra water, gasoline, and a GPS (not just a smartphone) if you're going off-road?
- ☐ Have you checked your spare tire for air?
- ☐ What is the range of your vehicle given the size of the tank and the gas mileage?

KEEPING MOTIVATED & HEALTHY

- ☐ Plan photography time and time for other activities. Consider everyone's motivations and likes. Enjoy the moment.
- ☐ Carry drinks, snacks, and other food that meets the nutrition needs of everyone.
- ☐ Announce the travel itinerary to everyone's family or friends. Give the planned route. Provide departure and return dates. If a major change in plans occurs, update the families or friends.
- ☐ Everyone should have a health check-up before departure, especially for an extended road trip. If you take a daily prescription... are you carrying enough and do you have the prescription with you?