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Editor's letter

It's hard to believe that Game of Thrones came out 13 years ago; it's become such a huge part of our pop culture. And location tourism (travelling to where your favourite films and TV shows were shot) has played a huge part in this. Iceland (where some of GoT was filmed) is leading the charge with this - and now you can even feel like the star of your own show with a Viking Circle tour dressed as a Viking, with a professional photographer (who happened to be a location scout for GoT) capturing the experience along the way. Check out how our writer fared as a Viking Queen on page 46.

Our cover story looks at a different form of pop culture. We get involved in Madrid's blossoming urban art scene, with graffiti workshops and tours of the most dynamic murals throughout the city on page 36. On page 80, we discover the Future Library in a forest near Oslo. Part art installation, part environmental statement, the project collects texts over 100 years, and in 2114 will use the trees in the forest to print them. And on page 68 we travel to La Gomera in the Canaries to discover the locals' efforts to keep the island's ancient whistling language alive. Wherever you're flying this month, we wish you a fantastic trip. Sit back, relax and enjoy this issue - and your flight.

Claire Köksal, Editor



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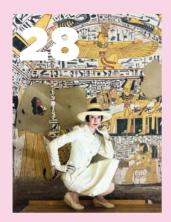
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Voyage down the 'Amazon'

Lake Skadar is often described as Montenegro's answer to the Amazon thanks to its pristine rainforests and abundance of wildlife. September is the best time to visit to see some of the 280-odd bird species that have been recorded here, and there are no fewer than five ornithological stations within the Skadar Lake National Park. It's also not too late to sunbathe at Murići Beach and don diving masks to explore the remains of a tourist steamship that sunk in 1942. Or you could simply jump on a paddleboard to float around the lake's surface, skirting meadows of water lilies and floating islands where pelicans make nests.

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game, two teams mounted on galloping horses try to toss the ulak into two opposing goals, making for a ferocious blend of soccer and polo. The game is said to have been first played using the bodies of predators who came for their flocks hence the name kok boru, which means 'blue wolf'. It's even been recognised by UNESCO as Intangible Cultural Heritage. For outsiders, it can be hard to find out where matches are held, but you'll always see some kok boru action at Bishkek's hippodrome on Kyrgyzstan Independence Day (31 August).



Admire a legend of the art world in London

When it comes to the rockstars of the art world, few can compete with Vincent van Gogh, the Dutch Post-Impressionist who gave the world the most famous vase of sunflowers of all time. However, with many of his best-loved works privately owned, it's rare to see them in public – much less all together. That's why Van Gogh: Poets and Lovers, in London's National Gallery (14 September 2024-19 January 2025) is set to be a once-in-a-century exhibition. nationalgallery.org.uk

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Make like a detective in <u>Bari</u>

Many of us set off on holiday with a John Grisham or a Tom Clancy novel in our hand luggage - there's nothing like a crime thriller to help you relax, after all - but have you heard of Gianrico Carofiglio? If you're off to the southern Italian city of Bari, you should give him a shot: the antimafia-judge-turned-bestsellingauthor is widely translated, and his works give a fascinating insight into the city where they're set. Follow our map of Carofiglio's Bari and find some of the highlights that bridge the gap between fiction and reality.





Wizz Air flies to Bari

1. BARI VECCHIA

Wander through the narrow streets of the Old Town and, as in the books, you'll find nonnas making and serving handmade orecchiette 'ear'shaped pasta, and sgagliozze: thin slices or flakes of polenta.



2. BASILICA OF SAN NICOLA

Within the Old Town you'll find this Romanesque cathedral, said to house the bones of St. Nicholas, patron saint of the city (yes, that's the same St Nick who we call Santa Claus).



3. PALACE OF JUSTICE

Bari's Palace of Justice – where fictional lawyer Guido Guerrieri plies his trade – doesn't disappoint, just off Piazza Mercantile. Look out for the Colonna della Giustizia (Column of Justice) outside.



4. TEATRO MARGHERITA

This spectacular Art Nouveau building is a must-see. Carofiglio has said it was this dramatic building that first inspired him to begin his series, and one of the characters shares its name.

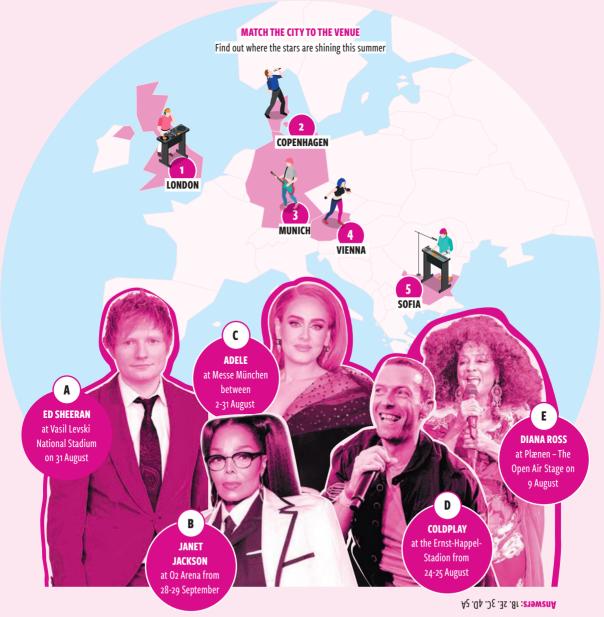


5. MONOPOLI

The scene of the crime in his first novel, this seaside suburb has charming medieval buildings and aquamarine shallows in real life. Try a focaccia barese, Carofiglio's favourite lunch.

It's not like people haven't travelled for live music before, but this summer the stats for 'gig tripping' are through the roof, likely thanks to fans keen to witness Taylor Swift's epoch-defining Eras tour (it brought more Americans to Paris than the Olympics!). In fact, blending concert-going and travel has become one of the biggest trends 2024. But do you know who is gigging where this summer?

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In 1984 the French Ministry of Culture opened some of the country's most beautiful places for free for a day to boost cultural tourism. Forty years on, European Heritage Days now take place in 50 countries, with 28,000 events hosting around 20 million people, and all *gratuit*. The French event is on

21-22 September, and as well as entry to well-known places, there's also a chance to peek into some that are usually closed to the public like Hôtel de Ville and the cathedralesque

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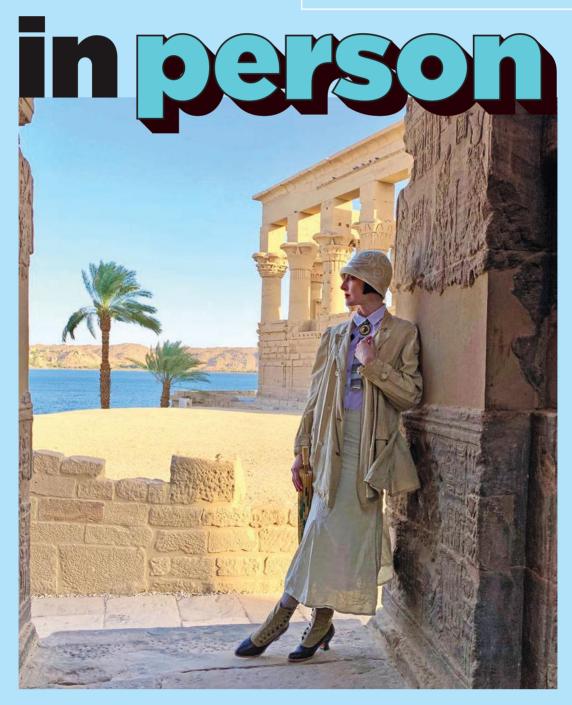
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"Drag is not just a scene for the queer community. It's for everybody"

In Vienna, drag is coming out of the night and into the light as a form of education and joyful protest

Words by Becki Enright

abulous fashion, high-energy dance routines, sultry lip-syncing and powerhouse vocals whip the audience into a frenzy, and any minor drops in tempo are rectified by a consummate host who keeps the energy levels high. You might think we're on a wild night out, but this is Vienna's Queens Brunch – a two-hour dive into the world of drag that doesn't require dazzling lights and grand stages; its queens are the stars. And best of all? It happens at midday.

Such vibrant performances and queer activism are not entirely new to the Austrian capital, but they're new to the daytime here. Queens Brunch sees a troupe of international queens performing weekly Saturday shows at Villa Vida, a queer community café located in the Türkis Rosa Lila Villa, a longstanding hub for Vienna's LGBTQIA+ residents. At the helm is creative director and 'Drag Daddy' Stéphane Magloire, a Haitian-American who moved to the city with a plan to educate audiences and break down stigmas, while simultaneously providing young artists with a professional stage.

"The day I arrived here, I Googled 'gay Vienna' looking for queer events, and everything was at night. There was every kind of party you could want, but nothing in the daytime," says Stéphane. He wanted to change that.

A few years later, Denise Van De Cruze opened Villa Vida, and the two hatched plans for Vienna's first daytime drag event. Queens Brunch launched in June 2019, the same year Vienna hosted EuroPride. "My mission was to create something for everyone living here, where international artists could share their culture." says Stéphane.

Daytime drag was new to the city, despite having an established nighttime scene. "When I was doing drag here in 2010, it had this very niche, underground character," says former queen, Mia Foltin. A member of the city's early drag culture, she became the third member of 'Klub Mutti' alongside artists Dutzi and Andi, held at Marea Alta in Gumpendorferstrasse. "We didn't care about introducing it to a broader audience; we were doing it for the fun."

For Stéphane, the role of 'Drag Daddy' was created after realising people were coming to the brunches not just for the performance, but also for education on the roots and structures of diversity and queer rights. He saw the inclusion and acceptance of queer arts in safe public spaces was still needed. "It's really a diversity workshop with a side of brunch," he says.

When Covid-19 hit and live events had to be paused, he created an online sketch comedy, *Queens Brunch TV*, funded by donations from viewers.

During the eight-week window between lockdowns



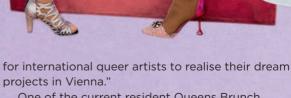
Right Stéphane (centre) with Elona Musk (left) and Madame Léa (right) Below and previous page Vienna's Queens Brunch in full swing

in 2020, he flew in 28 queens from all over the world, including Athens, Copenhagen, Budapest and even his birthplace, Haiti, to perform. The following year, he caught the attention of the Kultursommer Wien (Vienna Cultural Summer) festival and was invited to collaborate, giving 10 international drag artists the chance to perform on an even bigger stage.

Stéphane's work has also led to major partnerships and unique queer events taking place in the galleries of the city's Kunsthistorisches (Art History)
Museum, the MuseumsQuartier culture hub and the Social Hub Vienna among others.
"Every week, I bring two of my international 'kids' to Vienna – including drag queens, kings, and those who are trans and non-binary." Through representation, Stéphane says, people in the audience find a space where they feel at home.

This year, he's also organising 'Vienna Is Burning' – a two-day international queer artist festival in September, including a conference and charity gala taking place in the Kunsthistorisches Museum. "I'm bringing the queer Met Gala to Vienna!" he smiles. "It's all part of a bigger mission to protect queer art. The money raised will fund monthly scholarships





One of the current resident Queens Brunch performers is Leandro Barros, a student from São Paulo, Brazil. "I started as every little drag queen does: doing makeup in the bathroom, hidden from everybody. When I came to Vienna, I knew I wanted to perform as Madame Léa, and Stéphane was the first person to reach out. The most important thing is showing the confidence to be joyful and to loosen up, especially here in Vienna."

It's a development in creative expression that early pioneer Mia celebrates: "Now, drag is not just a scene for the queer community – it's for everybody. Drag brings people together. People get to taste things they didn't know before. They dabble in queer culture, and I think that's fantastic."

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"Khachapuri is everything to us"

In Kutaisi, khachapuri is much more than just cheese bread – it's part of the Georgian national identity

Words by Sian Meades-Williams

hen you think of the beloved European breads, a few might come to mind. In Naples, there is pizza dough. In Paris, baguettes. In Kutaisi, there is khachapuri: a cheesy bread that dates back centuries. And it is such an important part of life across the country that Georgians consider it a part of their national identity.

While the most common style of khachapuri is the *adjaruli*, an iconic boatshaped dough filled with melted cheese,

in Kutaisi it is the Imeretian khachapuri that reigns supreme. A round dough filled with tangy cheese, it looks like something between a pizza and a flatbread, and I'm heading to the small village of Vartsikhe, 20 minutes from Kutaisi, to learn how to make it.

"We often get asked what khachapuri is – is it a snack, a meal, a side dish? The truth is, it's all of those things. Khachapuri is everything to us," says Georgian Flavors founder, Irma Laghadze, who organises

the experience GEORGIA













traditional cooking classes across the country. Irma began Georgian Flavors after the pandemic, and it perfectly marries her experience as a culinary tour guide with her love of cooking.

Today, we are also greeted by Daii Talakhadze, one of Irma's team of traditional cooks, who will be our host for the afternoon. She guides us through her beautiful garden, growing everything from fresh herbs to grapes, and to a small stone kitchen where she immediately starts to work on the bread, piling grated Imeretian cheese onto a springy dough of yeast, salt, water and flour that she made earlier this morning. We're not talking about a light sprinkling here - the amount of cheese is equal to the dough. But Daji doesn't need to check the scales - she's been making this bread since she was eight years old.

The dough is then pinched upwards to keep the cheese contained, almost like making an enormous dumpling, Above Georgian khachapuri is prepared in ketsi pots by Daji Talakhadze Below Irma Laghadze, founder of Georgian Flavors and then the enveloped cheese is pushed all the way to the edges of the dough with her fingers. "It's not khachapuri if there isn't cheese all the way through," Irma tells me.

Next door, a huge open fire is roaring. Carefully positioned in the flames are a dozen round clay pots, called *ketsi*. The dough is transferred to these when they've reached the right temperature – literally getting red hot when ready.

Daji moves the pots around deftly, utterly fearless at the licking, spitting flames. "Why should I be afraid?" she asks. "This is fun for me!"

I'm surprised to discover that the bread doesn't cook directly on the fire; instead, the ketsi pans are now so hot they'll cook the bread directly, one ketsi on top and bottom, to toast both sides and keep the heat in. The dough is placed on a rhododendron leaf because, as Irma explains: "The leaves stop the bread sticking to the ketsi. It is a natural

Daji passes me a khachapuri that's still warm. It's pillowy, heavy with salty cheese and its scent – smoky, and comforting – rises to greet me. Irma smiles at my reaction. "This is the smell of homes across Georgia."

Daji takes her place at the head of the table where half a dozen more dishes have appeared ready for our feast. There's a simple salad of ingredients, many of which are unique to Georgia; marigold leaves, pink tomatoes – "we think our tomatoes are the best in the world" – and flowering purple basil, which tastes sweeter than its Italian counterpart. Alongside the salad are beans in walnut paste, *pkhali nigvziani* (aubergine rolls), and potatoes roasted with Svanetian salt, a spice mix that can't be recreated without herbs from the Georgian mountains.

More than a hearty lunch, I realise that I am about to experience my first *supra* – a traditional Georgian feast, where a *tamada* – or toastmaster – raises a glass to celebrate throughout the meal. Daji toasts to God and her ancestors, to our families, and to the land and our food.

She even toasts the Georgian football team who are enjoying unprecedented success in the Euros in Germany during my trip. After each toast, *Gaumarjos!* – the Georgian word for cheers – is shouted. It's a coming together, a celebration of what matters to us most. I'm reminded how rare this is – our lives are busy, food is grabbed on the go. I resolve to change this, toasts and all, when I get home.

Daji talks about the importance of the time spent kneading the dough, and having people around her table sharing food. I understand her completely. For Daji and Irma, sharing and celebrating Georgia's food is about love as much as it is culture, and khachapuri is right at the heart of it. When Daji asks me to make a toast, I am deeply moved. "To new friends," I say. With a delighted cry of 'Gaumarjos!', Daji and Irma thrust their glasses into the air.

A khachapuri cooking class in Kutaisi with Georgian Flavors costs €115.

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Above Colleen combines her passions for ancient Egypt and vintage fashion on Instagram

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"I've always been interested in vintage fashion and ancient history"

From hieroglyphics to haute couture, meet the vintageloving Egyptologist bringing style to the Nile



taring in awe at the hieroglyphics chiselled into the sun-drenched sandstone walls of Egypt's Ptolemaic temples, Dr. Colleen Darnell looks quite the picture. Posing in an elegant 1930's linen suit, complete with silk-scarfadorned sunhat, she twirls a vintage parasol around and continues her walk through the millennia-old relic.

It's one of the most-liked posts on her popular Instagram account, @vintage_egyptologist, which currently has 246,000 followers – but in the caption you'll find more than just an #OOTD (Outfit of the Day) hashtag. Colleen is a leading Egyptologist, who has worked in the field for 24 years, taught at Yale University and published seven books on ancient Egypt. So, instead of a quippy caption about fashion, her reel has a bite-sized essay on the temple of Isis, built by Ptolemy XII, father of Cleopatra VII, explaining the importance of this place of worship.

"I've always been really interested in vintage fashion and ancient history," says Colleen. "But in terms of making that a way to present information about my research or Egyptology to the public, that really did come together with my Instagram account."

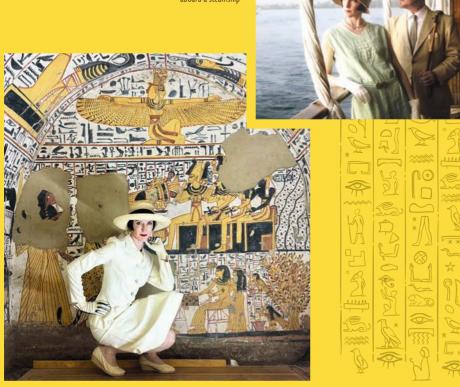
Since Ancient Egypt was a civilisation that communicated using images, it's perhaps only natural that Colleen and her husband John Darnell – a Professor of Egyptology at Yale University – are

obsessed with aesthetics. The couple dress exclusively in vintage outfits, preferring in particular the 1920s and 1930s eras, with Colleen usually front and centre of the highly stylised images, dressing like a female Indiana Jones, or the god Hermes, or even covered in what looks like clay to depict a female figurine from the Naqada II period. "It's really a lifestyle, and I dress up everywhere we go," she says. "I also collect some 19th-century pieces that are wearable, and my oldest dress is from 1805. I can wear it, but only for photos."

Colleen began her Instagram account in 2017. "It was such a perfect medium where you could combine photos and text," she says. "What I love is that no matter how high fashion the photo is, half the comments say: 'wow, what a fascinating caption'. It really engages people's attention and gives them some interesting information that you can dive into."

The duo document their lives on the social platform, spending half the year in Connecticut teaching and writing, and the other half in Egypt at John's archaeological dig, the Elkab Desert Survey Project, south of Luxor. The project is run in conjunction with the Egyptian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities, Yale University and the Royal Museums of Art and History in Brussels, and made headlines in the archaeological world in 2017 when the team found some of the earliest monumental hieroglyphic inscriptions.

Below Colleen poses in a tomb in Deir el-Medina Right Colleen and John cruising the Nile aboard a steamship



Colleen's top Cairo tips

What to see: "Near the Khan el-Khalili bazaar you'll find the historic monuments of Al-Muizz li-Din Allah al-Fatimi Street. I also enjoy the contemporary art galleries, like Access Art Space on Al Nabrawi."

Where to eat: "Café Riche was frequented by Naguib Mahfouz and famous Egyptian actors, politicians, and writers throughout the ages."

Where to shop: "I have lots of lovely pieces from Nomad Gallery, which sells handcrafted pieces from all over Egypt."



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"I like to show the lighter side of ancient life. They had fun"

"It dates back to about 3250 BCE," Colleen explains. "The other hieroglyphics of that date, which were previously the oldest identifiable hieroglyphics, were only about two centimetres high. These were 50cm high. It completely transforms how we understand the invention of hieroglyphs."

So, what did this ancient form of billboard say? "It equates royal power on Earth with the power of the sun in heaven," she explains. "The word for horizon, for solar power, is probably the first phonetic word written in any language anywhere in the world. The first word we can read, period."

"There was such a sense of excitement when we discovered it, and everyone who lived in the village was so excited as they now have this really special part of Egyptian heritage right where they live."

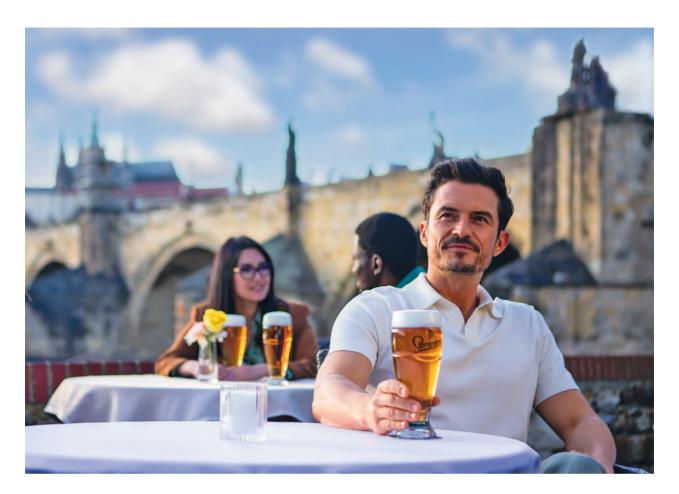
Colleen estimates that she and John have been to Egypt around 60 times, and while their work usually takes them close to Luxor and the Valley of the Kings, the couple are often asked for their off-the-beatentrack tips from their growing followers.

"One of my favourite places to visit is Aswan because the landscape is just so beautiful," she says. "Also Faiyum, a lake fed from a branch of the Nile, a few hours' drive from Cairo. It has Middle Kingdom temples, late-period and Greco-Roman temples and a vibrant community of craftsmen and potters. You really get such a beautiful all-around environment."

With that, Colleen is off to host an Egyptology class on Zoom. Of her unique modern approach to the past, she adds: "I hope people get a greater appreciation for Egypt's writing system, architectural and artistic achievements. But I like to show the lighter side of ancient life; they had fun, they had a sense of humour and played games. History doesn't have to be all serious. That, to me, is so important – being excited about learning and expressing yourself."

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How to experience the best of Prague by

Orlando Bloom

Some cities belong to you because you were born in them, some because you fall in love with their beauty and spirit. That's what happened to Orlando Bloom with Prague, where he spent much of his time working, living and relaxing. So much so, that he has in fact become somewhat of an expert on Prague

Q: Has living and working in Prague in any way influenced your creative output, as an actor or artist in general?

A: The historical beauty of a city like Prague definitely impacted my outlook both artistically and in general. There is something otherworldly about walking through the historical streets of such a beautiful city that excites and fuels the imagination.

In your opinion, what is the best time of day to truly experience Prague's beauty, culture and lifestyle?

Dusk or dawn.

When locals in Prague talk about their leisurely lifestyle, they sometimes use the word 'pohoda'. Have you encountered the word, and could you give your definition of it?

It means "everything is cool, all is OK, no problem, chill". I believe it comes from the word for "comfort".

Besides Prague, there are many capitals in Central and Eastern Europe rich in cultural and historical heritage. Have you had a chance to travel around this part of Europe?

Yes, I have also worked in Budapest which has a very

familiar feeling. Having spent more time in Prague, I have a softer spot for it.

When was the first time you visited Prague? 2016

What reminds you most of Prague?

A good beer and a great meal, and straight-shooting, direct communication.

What are your favourite things to do and see in Prague?

I spent many hours with a baseball cap on walking the streets in the Castle District, learning lines, and taking in the cultural beauty.

Is there any special place in Prague, perhaps off the beaten track?

I would drive out to the outskirts of the city with a friend and ride my Festka on long bike rides. I also used to cycle with friends around Křivoklát by the river.

You collaborated with Staropramen on their latest campaign, so we assume you know a thing or two about Prague and beer. Do you agree that Prague is

the beer capital of the world?

For sure, it's hard to beat.

Can you recommend a place (not name of bar, but location) where it's great to sit, relax and have a cold beer?

I would always enjoy the view from the Castle District. But honestly, anywhere around the city. Along the river is great too.

Food that goes well with beer in Prague – any recommendations?

All food, particularly Czech food like dumplings or a nice duck dish.

What other cities would you recommend visiting or are you planning to visit in Central Europe?

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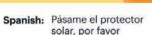
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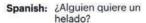
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t's early on a Saturday morning and the street sweepers are out in force, mechanically brushing the medieval paved plazas in Madrid's eclectic downtown neighbourhood of Lavapiés. It's at least two hours before the metal shutters will open on the Polish delis, old Spanish taverns and sheesha bars in the cobblestone side streets, yet there are already people on the pavements. With hands clasping coffee, they are standing transfixed by a thrilling blast of kaleidoscopic paintwork on the walls.

The art that the group is studying is called *Mixed Chimp*. It's collaboration between artists Bordalo II and Okuda San Miguel, the man behind creative space Factory of Dreams in Madrid's Usera district, and one of the most famous urban artists in the world. It's a playful psychedelic explosion, with stylised geometric lines in a rainbow of interlocking hues.

Tilting their heads to fully appreciate the visual logic of the chimp's face that straddles an entire street corner, the group discusses the way the composition's texture amplifies the sulking grey gloom of a neighbouring wall. There are nods of agreement from the driver of the sweeper truck and a thumbs up from the coffee vendor who joins in with his critique. He tells us that this mural has quadrupled the value of his brother's home in Lavapiés - a former working-class, immigrant neighbourhood that became a home for artists after a trio of tough economic decades, and now features a magnificent sweep of multicoloured urban art.

"Lavapiés has a tremendously diverse history, associated with immigrants from all over the world, movements of the working class, and all sorts of counter cultures," Jose Rojas, a Spanish art correspondent, explains. "Today it is packed with pubs, bars and restaurants and some amazing

historic and modern architecture. It's retained its grittiness and authenticity, yet has considerable allure due to its rich endowment of world-class publicly accessible art."

Many of Madrid's street artists actively engage with art-loving visitors, running workshops with Madrid's urban art tours, such as those organised by Cool Tour Spain and the Madrid Street Art Project. For €35, you can go on a spray-painting masterclass run by an acclaimed aerosol artist.

And, of course, they know the inside scoop on the best graffiti in the city – sharing news of the most active artists in town, the hidden stories behind individual pieces, as well as explaining the different techniques used. Workshops also relish debate, so be prepared for a discussion on the difference between street art and graffiti. If you book in a big enough group, you'll even be asked to roll up your sleeves and help design an entire graffiti wall.

"As the underground urban art scene has grown, so have we," says Javier Garcia, owner and guide at Cool Tour Spain Urban Art Tours (and a street artist himself). "We've shown more than 4,600 visitors around the best urban art in Madrid."





Clockwise from above
A graffiti workshop with
Cool Tour Spain Urban Art
Tours; Javier Garcia; Bordalo
II and Okuda San Miguel's
Mixed Chimp

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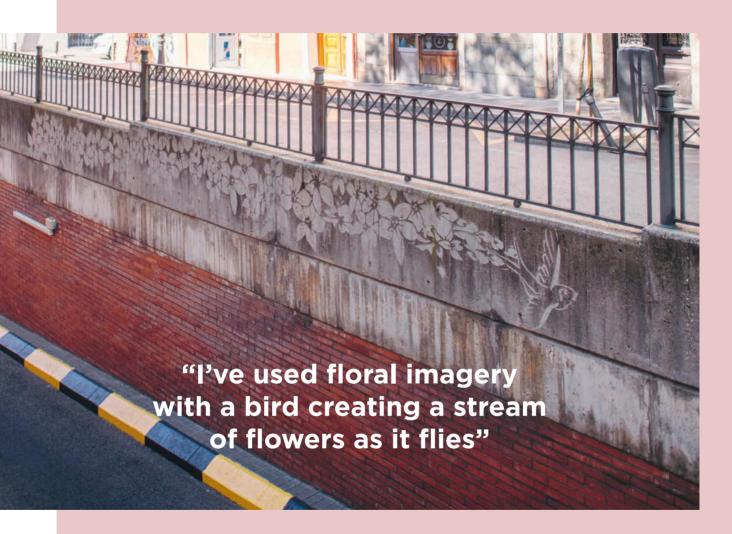


The city is at the forefront of a shift in urban art, scaling up to a much broader range of techniques such as reverse graffiti - also known as green graffiti, originally created by English artist Paul Curtis Moose. Green graffiti redefines polluted spaces by cleaning areas and removing layers of blackened grime to create images in shadow, mono, shade and texture. The result is similar to drawing on a dirty windscreen. but on an amplified scale. You can see magnificent examples of Paul's work in the centre of Madrid at the Cebada Market, La Bombilla Park and street corners around Atocha railway station, "Dirty, soulless concrete is transformed in a positive way

using green graffiti and I'm certain that it makes people feel better about their environment," says Paul. "It's non-toxic, cleansing and, in Madrid, I've used floral imagery with a bird creating a stream of flowers as it flies. Other murals also use natural imagery such as clouds to create raining walls."

Exciting new calligraphic styles are appearing too, a result of adding different spraycan nozzles for added texture and technique. Projects that create botanical art in potholes are appearing in Madrid. Others introduce clay, chalk, charcoal, knitting and projected digital street art. Plaza de los Cubos, which connects Calle

Below An example of Paul Curtis Moose's reverse graffiti at La Bombilla Park







1. Byte the Candy by
Jorge Rodriguez-Gerada
The artwork of a woman's
face on Calle de la
Magdalena includes the 'on'
symbol, raising questions
about our digital lives.

2. Isabelita by Fin DAC
First painted in 2012, this
originally untitled piece on
Calle de Santa Isabel was
given its name by locals
who fell in love with it.





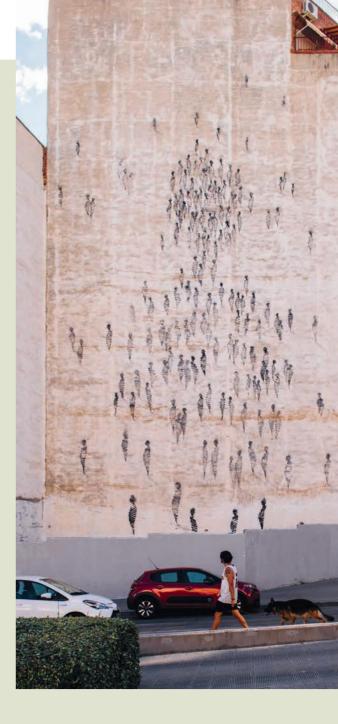
3. Mixed Chimp by
Okuda and Bordalo II
A collaboration between
two artists, Mixed Chimp
combines paint and
recycled materials on
Calle de Embajadores.





5. The Sombrerete Sundial by Ángel Aragonés

Painted in 1985, this artwork on Calle Sombrerete shows a woman hanging out washing surrounded by an abstract sundial.



Princesa and Calle Martín de los Heros, has been transformed by a dozen artists from a once-gloomy transit hub to a vibrant social gathering point with artists including Elbi Elem, Rosh333, Sabek and more all leaving their unique artistic mark in hundreds of joyful shades.

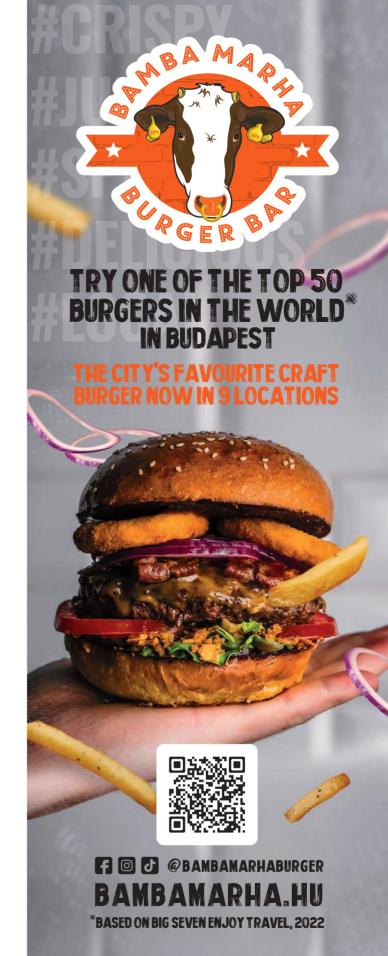
Next, we head to the Plaza del Poeta Leopoldo de Luis to see the work of Suso33, a 51-year-old graffiti pioneer hailing from Madrid. A multitude of shadowy figures



Left Artwork by Suso33 at Plaza del Poeta Leopoldo de Luis

form a very dramatic silhouette – and a striking, almost eerie optical illusion. Nearby, we notice diverse styles that are sitting side-by-side, from the complex, interlocking and overlapping letters known as 'wildstyle' and its round-faced, cartoonlike characters, to energetic colours that spiral to emphasise kinetic movement, vitality and a euphoric spirit.

In Carabanchel, another former workingclass area in the south of the city that has





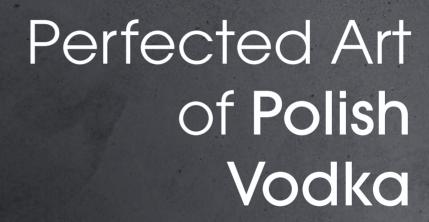
"In Madrid you can see a range of urban art and mix with its creators"

been recently transformed by street art, Jorge Rodriguez-Gerada's *La Chulapa* is painted on an industrial concrete water tower in Calle Amalrico. It forms the face of a traditional 19th-century woman, representing the beauty of history in a district that is fighting hard to stave off creeping gentrification.

"You can see street art in many of Europe's cities, but in Madrid you can see a whole range of urban art projects and mix with its creators," says Diana Prieto, cofounder of the Madrid Street Art Project. "It's exciting to offer unprecedented access to our local artists and champion so many groundbreaking art styles. Street art remains one of Madrid's great forms of self-expression. It adds humour and light to the city and invites conversation. In Madrid, the people say: 'Art isn't just for art galleries, just look at our streets."

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Above *La Chulapa* by Jorge Rodriguez-Gerada on Calle Amalrico





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ou've probably heard of the Golden Circle. Maybe you've even heard of the Diamond Circle in northern Iceland. But have you heard of the Viking Circle? The brainchild of Mike Reid and Ryan Newburn - founders of Ice Pic Journeys, the only tour company in Iceland where you're accompanied by a professional photographer as you venture into ice caves, across glaciers and around the volcanic landscape - the Viking Circle takes in key sites related to the country's history as a Viking stronghold. The best bit? You do it all dressed as a Viking. So today, I'm ditching the 21st-century waterproof uniform of Iceland's everyday tourists in favour of faux furs and a swooshing cape.

The day begins at the Mink Viking Portrait Studios in Reykjavik, where a narrow staircase leads to a room crammed with velvet tunics, wooden shields and leather armbands. We're in the capable hands of photographer Guðmann þór Bjargmundsson, whose array of runic and Viking-inspired tattoos reassure me that he knows what he's doing. Guðmann worked as location scout for *Game of Thrones*, seeking out hidden caves and endless lava plains for the Queen of Dragons and co, so he has an eye for detail.

Taking me in with piercing blue eyes, Guðmann selects a forest-green tunic, a cape, leather wristbands and period jewellery. I am to be a Viking queen, it seems. My friend, Sarah, gets a slightly less regal looking straw-coloured tabard, but after the addition of belts and furs, she looks like a ferocious shield maiden from the TV series *Vikings*. Then, Guðmann's off, clicking away with his camera and calling out for us to scowl, roar, pout and angle our chins just so.

"What do you know of the Vikings?" he asks me between shots. I mumble something about pillaging raids on Lindisfarne, a few kilometres from where I







grew up in North East England, and some stereotypes like bushy beards, horned helmets and angry warriors.

Guðmann scoffs. "Actually, the Vikings are misunderstood. They were not all warriors and raiders. Like any people, they were everything and anything – farmers, peaceful settlers, healers and explorers."

Indeed, Viking explorer Leif Erikson is credited as being the first European to discover America. He's one of Iceland's national heroes, setting sail to North America some 500 years before Columbus. No bloodshed, no pillaging – driven only by curiosity and determination.

"Now, bow your head down, raise your axe and roar at the camera like a warrior," Guðmann instructs. After all, some Vikings were raiding warriors.

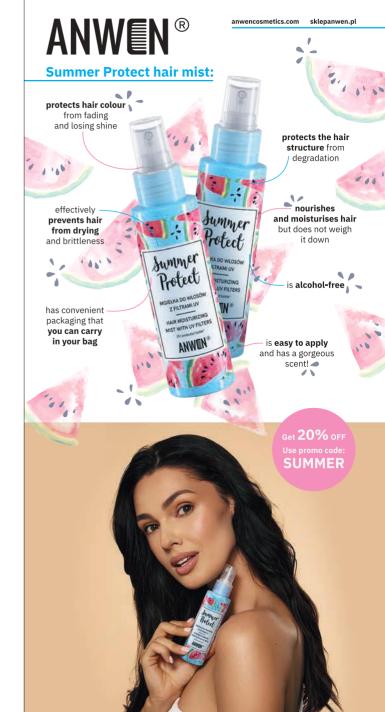
The results of the shoot are, quite simply, amazing. We ooh and aah over the moody photos, which could easily be used to advertise a Netflix mini-series, on Guðmann's computer screen. Eyeing one shot where I'm looking straight down the line of a bow and arrow, ready to let loose on my enemy, I think I've finally found my new LinkedIn profile picture.

After a quick costume change, it's time to get out of the city and hit the Viking Circle. Now decked out in shimmering velvet cloaks, we power across Iceland's wild volcanic landscape in a 4x4. Around the 10th century, nearly all free men would make their way to our first stop, Thingvellir, to attend the annual Alþing (Althing). Considered the world's first parliament,

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the Alþing was something of a Viking Bacchanalia, with a tented village, flowing mead, feasting and festival music long into the light summer nights.

Thingvellir - now a national park - is also where the continents of Eurasia and North America divide, and this broken seam in the land, dotted with towering basalt columns and mossy rockfaces, is the perfect backdrop for two cloaked Viking maidens. Our guide, Ryan, picks the most impressive spots - tiny outcrops against the black volcanic rock that make our velvet cloaks pop, and a tumbling waterfall spewing white over onyx rocks.

It's June, but it's Iceland and a flurry of light snow settles in our hair and on our capes, adding another layer of drama to each photograph. We stroll through the park, our cloaks streaming in the wind behind us, earning a few curious looks from other visitors wrapped up in cagoules and woolly hats.

Next, we bypass the selfie-stick-laden Gullfoss for two lesser-visited waterfalls. At Brúarfoss, the water glows an ethereal blue and bubbles in whirlpools beneath a rickety wooden bridge. Gullfoss may be more powerful but, to me. Brúarfoss is even more beautiful. There's a handful of other tourists here, but nothing like the crowds of Gullfoss or Skógafoss. Hjálparfoss is quieter still. Two thundering waterfalls cascade into a teal plunge pool and the mighty Hekla volcano looms in the distance. It's summer, so a smattering of purple lupines adds a pop of colour to the rugged landscape. There's no one else around so we have the viewing platform all to ourselves.

For our next injection of Viking history, we stop at the Commonwealth Farm. This recreated building sits on the foundations of an excavated Viking manor farm, and the traditional turf-roofed long house is dwarfed by the impressive Sámstaðamúli mountain and another waterfall. The whole



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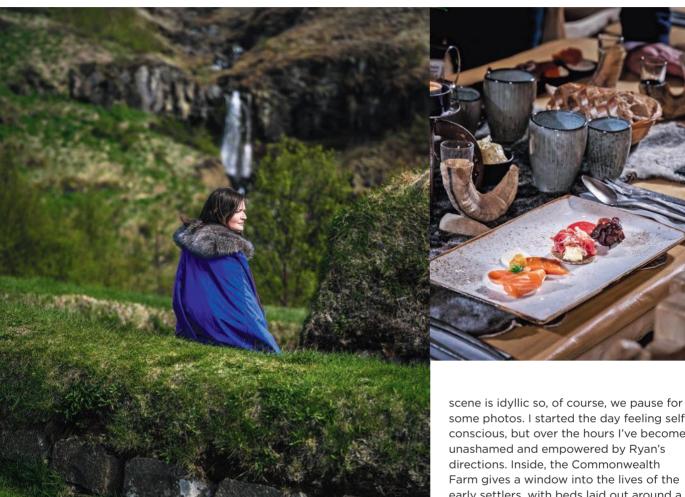


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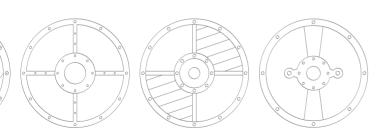
Above, left to right Suzy in her Viking cloak; a feast fit for a warrior at Ingólfsskáli Viking Restaurant



Finally, we stop for dinner at Ingólfsskáli Viking Restaurant. I'm sceptical of gimmicky restaurants, but the quiet drum beat and dim candlelight create an undeniably cool setting. Tables line a long, wooden hall and I can easily picture fur-clad Vikings cheering and joking around as they drank. True enough, replica horned cups are at every table and homemade mead is on the menu, but the food is certainly no gimmick. Icelandic lamb flavoured with Arctic herbs is rose-pink at its core, while confit duck legs are served on a bed of pulses, embracing the flavours of medieval Europe. Historically accurate



I'm sad to remove my cloak. It has protected me from Iceland's erratic weather, but it has also given me confidence



and delicious to boot. Outside, there's a final chance to embrace our inner Viking at the axe-throwing and archery range. Straw targets let out a satisfying 'thwack' as arrows hit, and cleaving a wooden target in two with an axe feels hugely therapeutic.

Returning to Revkiavik. I'm sad to remove my cloak for the final time. It has protected me from Iceland's erratic weather, but it has also given me a sense of confidence. like a true Viking warrior. As we reacclimatise to the 21st century at the hotel bar, my phone pings with an email from Guðmann. Our Viking photos are ready and, scrolling through them, it's like looking at two different people: we are strong, daring and powerful. Sure, we learned a lot about Iceland's Viking history and visited stunning natural wonders along the way, but what will stick with me about the Viking Circle experience is the feeling of letting loose and embracing my inner Viking warrior for the day. Well, that and my new badass LinkedIn photo. icepicjourneys.is





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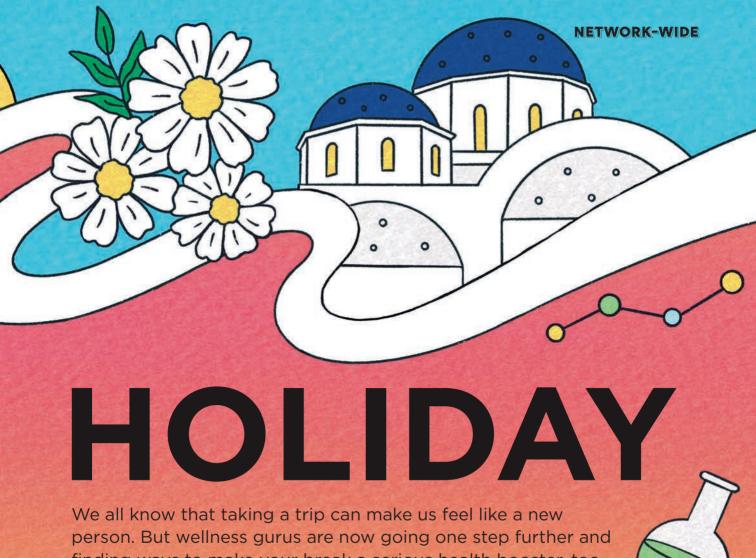
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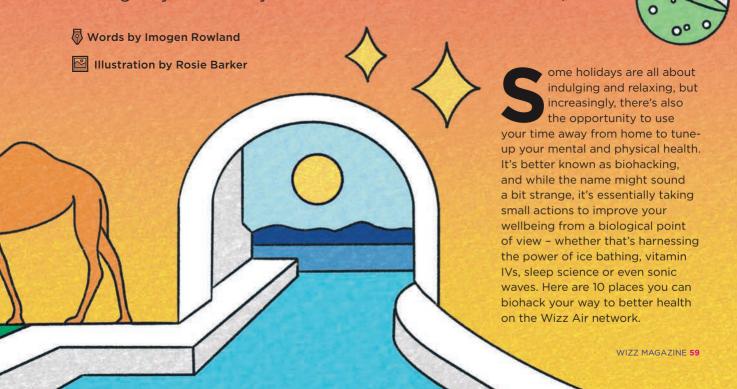
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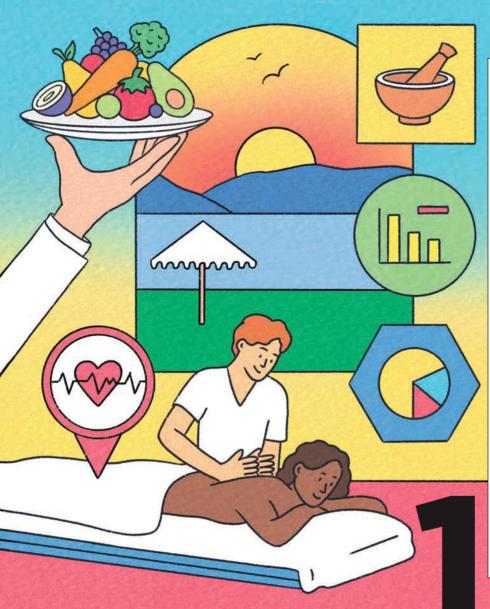
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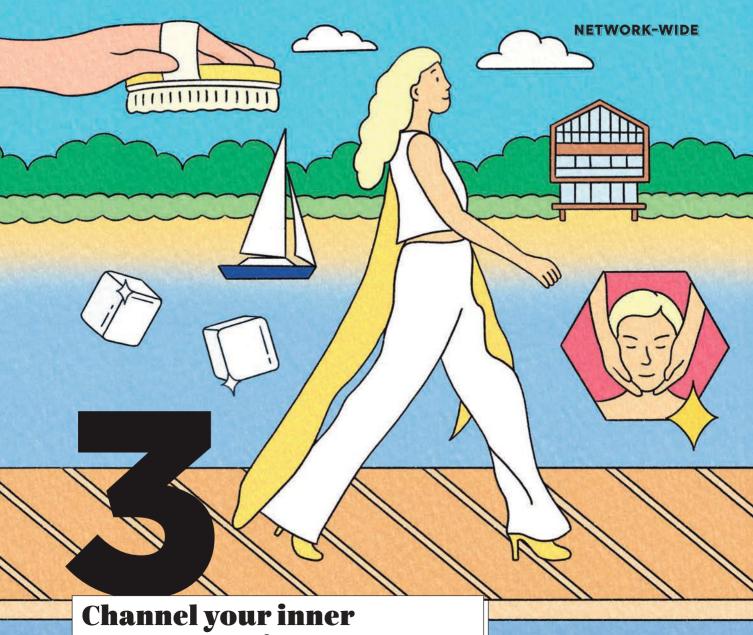
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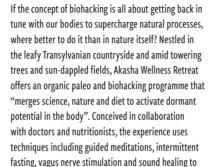
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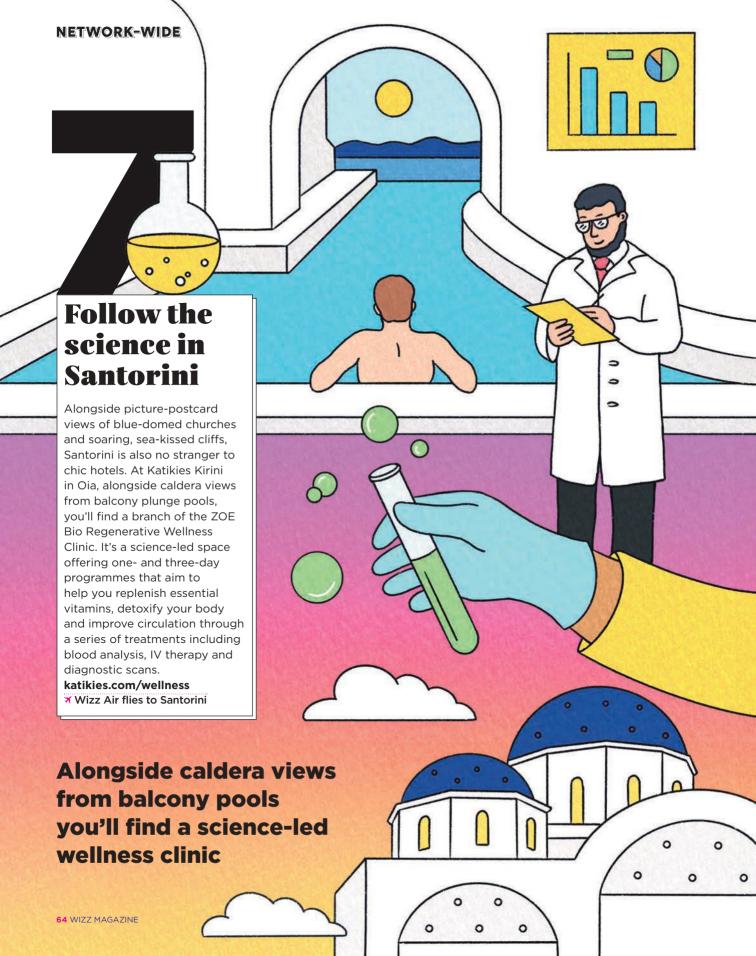
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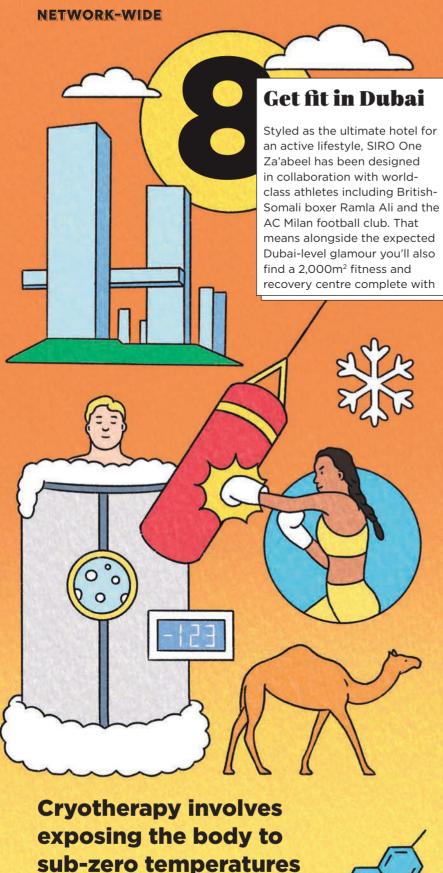
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The complex of Széchenyi baths is one of the largest in Europe, and the outdoor pools in the neo-Baroque courtyard are the main attraction. The warmer pool is better suited to a chat, a soak and a game of chess, while the second offers bubble massage and an aquatic roundabout.

The Rudas was built by the Turkish Pasha of Buda in the 16th century. Admiring the beautiful view from the rooftop pool is a must-experience, especially during Friday and Saturday night bathing. **spasbudapest.com**





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Best of Bulgaria

From delicious foodie experiences to sourcing the finest ingredients, here's how to savour a taste of Bulgaria this summer

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Apple Cocktail

Ingredients

- 30 ml Apple Jack
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- Crushed ice
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- 5ml lemon juice

Combine the gin, Apple Jack and apple juice into a cocktail shaker and shake. Pour the cocktail into a cocktail glass. Serve with a straw. The cocktail has a distinct apple flavour and aroma.

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Recipe

- 40ml Soplica Gorzka
- Grapefruit juice

• Ice

Half a slice of grapefruit



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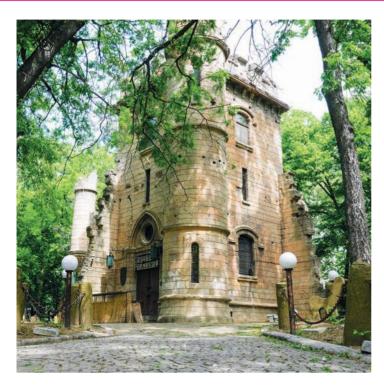
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The festival will gather more than 150 artists from over 15 countries – including France, the UK, Italy, Canada and Spain – that will delight visitors with everything from performances to concerts, exhibitions, video projections, visual arts, fine arts and street animation. Best of all, it's completely free.

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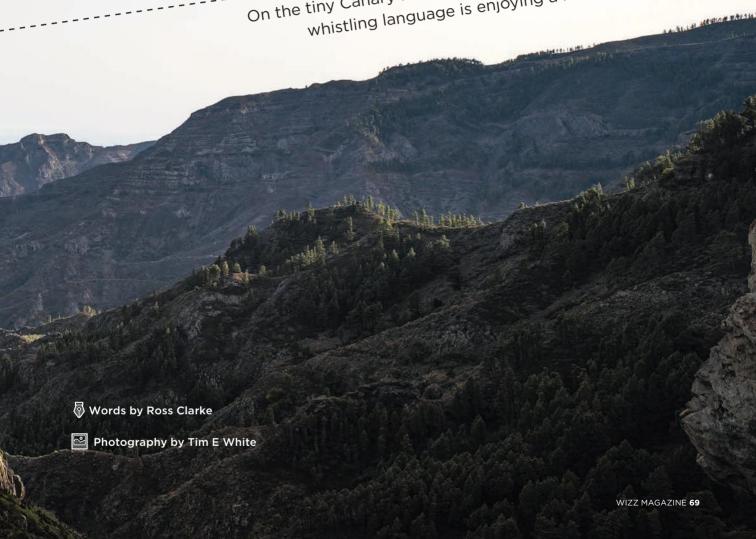






Whistle while you walk

On the tiny Canary Island of La Gomera, an ancient whistling language is enjoying a new lease of life





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he high-sided volcanic barranco (ravine) of Valle Gran Rey is majestic; its walls, terraces and crags carpeted with broom and dotted with tropical palms. It's quiet with an echo of distant hubbub. Then I hear it. It's not a bird or a machine, but a human whistle piercing the air. It's loud, reverberating off the valley's sides. A moment later and a different intonation seems to call back. This is Silbo Gomero: a unique whistling language found on the tiny Canary Island of La Gomera, just off the west coast of Tenerife.

"It's not so much a language as a means of communication over long distances," says the sprightly Eugenio Darias, a retired Silbo teacher and expert in all things whistling. "You can use the whistle for pretty much any language, as Silbo is a series of sounds that are universal. Languages with fewer sounds are easier to whistle. Here, we use Spanish."

He demonstrates that a 'p' sound in Spanish becomes more like a 'k' sound in Silbo, as it's nearly impossible to make a plosive sound when you have a finger knuckle jammed in your mouth. "Have you seen the island?" asks Eugenio, his bronzed skin and silver hair gleaming in the sunshine. I explain I've been up to its mountainous centre with its imposing volcanic rock formations, and I got a good glimpse of the whole island on the short ferry ride from nearby Tenerife.

"Well then, you'll have seen the *barrancos* all around the island," he says. "These barrancos used to be pastureland for shepherds, but there were no phones and climbing up and down to deliver simple messages would be completely impractical. That's why they used the Silbo – to communicate from mountain to mountain."

It's thought that the original whistle came from north Africa and predates the Spanish colonisation of the island in the 15th century - the indigenous inhabitants' own language

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"There are also classes for adults and an association that coordinates everything," says Eugenio. In 2009, Silbo Gomero was even designated as Masterpiece of

the curriculum to teach a new generation this lip-pursing language. It worked - it's estimated that there are now more than

22,000 silbadores (whistlers).





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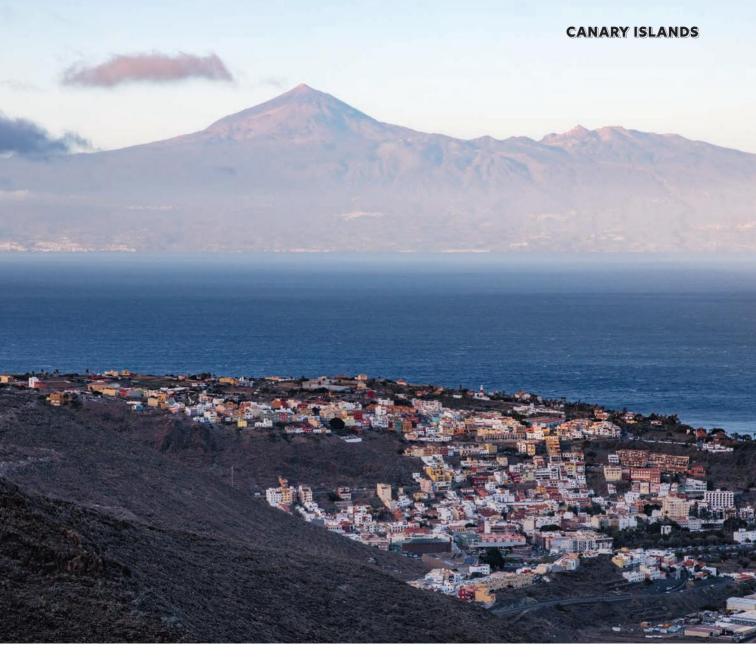
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"There is something emotional for us when we hear that sound. It brings back fond memories"

the Oral and Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO.

Eugenio gets even more animated when I ask him about what Silbo means to Gomeros. "There's something emotional for us when we hear that sound. It often brings fond memories of grandparents," he says. "But I have young students who tell me that it's amazing that they can speak to their friend hundreds of metres away and say, 'wait there, I'll come with you'."

It's time for my lesson, and while there are many ways to whistle and each person has their own technique, Eugenio is going to teach me the most common, depicted in the



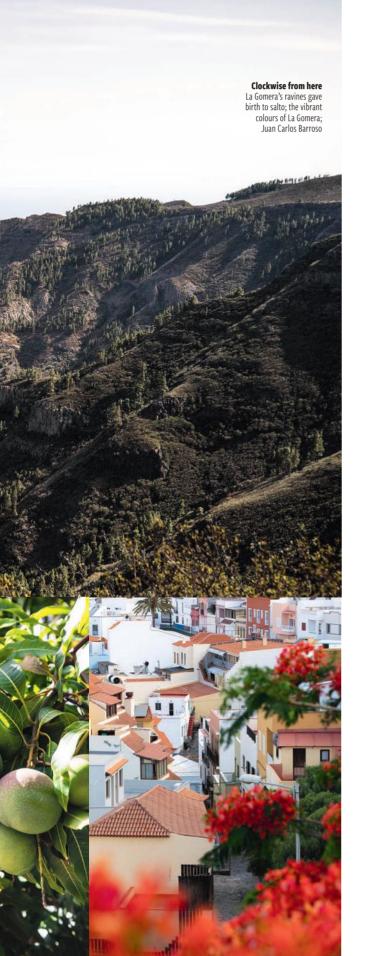
cat hissing than a comprehensible whistle. "A month or two going to classes and vou'd be able to have a basic conversation." he announces flatteringly. I'm tempted, but I'm not sure I've got the lung capacity to throw my whistle nearly three kilometres over a windy ravine. But I'm pleased that, just by trying, I'm contributing to the future of this intriguing aural heritage.

Now that I've figured out how to talk across a ravine. I need to fathom how to get across their sheer, near-vertical faces and that's where another element of island tradition comes in.

looks at me inquisitively - perhaps it's my sweaty brow compared with that of its seemingly cool-as-a-cucumber owner.

Juan is part of the Asociación de Salto del Pastor (the Shepherd's Leap Association). "Salto is a practice only known here in the Canary Islands," he begins, "It's thought that it probably comes from the original pre-Hispanic inhabitants and there's written evidence that they were very adept with a palo (stick)," he continues tapping the giant pole in his hand.

Salto is a bit like cross-country pole vaulting and, as Juan explains, it's all to







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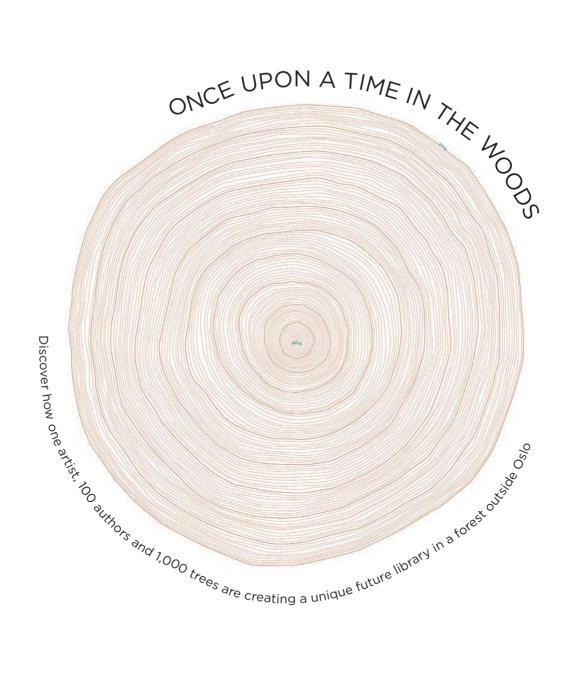
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here's an almost pagan, ritualistic quality to it: bird calls, chimes, rhythmic drums and fragments of disembodied voices – all in the setting of a vast forest outside Oslo. It's the 10th anniversary of the Future Library – a living art installation with a 100-year vision – and a secret manuscript, The Force of Resonance, by Mexican author Valeria Luiselli, is being ceremonially submitted, to be stored in a glass drawer in the Silent Room at the Deichman Bjørvika public library in Oslo until 2114.

One unread text is added every year, and every handover is different – Valeria chose to make the earlier soundscape an element of hers. Her manuscript is the 10th to be delivered and preserved; when these texts are eventually read, there will be 100 of them. The Future Library is the brainchild of Scottish artist Katie Paterson, who was inspired by drawing growth rings, the concentric circles seen when a tree is felled.

"I very quickly made a correlation between the rings in the tree and chapters. I saw a tree as growing a book, and the forest as a library, where the words of authors could grow through trees over an expanse of time," she says from her home in Fife, Scotland. "It started as a very simple vision, which then grew – quite literally – as we explored the idea further."

Katie was later invited to Norway to be part of a commissioning process for 'slow artworks' and, in 2014, in collaboration with public art curator Anne Beate Hovind, she eventually realised the Future Library in the Nordmarka wilderness area, on the outskirts of Oslo. In a clearing created during the



Above Katie Paterson (left) and Anne Beate Hovind (right)





course of ordinary forestry practice, 1,000 spruce saplings were planted, and in 2114, when they are fully grown, they will become the pages on which a 100 years' worth of books will be printed. The trees felled to make space for the forest are also linked with the project: used in the construction of the Silent Room to form its ridged walls. Designed by Atelier Oslo and Lundhagem, it also has 100 locked glass drawers, 10 of which already have the name of an author on their front. Their manuscripts can just be glimpsed within.

"The Silent Room feels like being inside a tree," says Katie. "It has that magical, childlike feeling of discovery, because you don't quite know what you'll find inside, but you can smell the wood and be connected to the forest without actually being there."

"It started as a very simple vision, which then grew - quite literally"

It's a beautiful spring day outside, but there are more people reading in the Silent Room than jumping into the fjord waters of Oslo's urban beach. Within minutes of removing our shoes and entering the space, where light shines through glass vaults, an eight-year-old child comes in and curls up, contentedly, on a wooden bench. It's a simple room with a huge impact. One family we meet has come all the way from Philadelphia, purely for this: to experience the Silent Room and, the following day, the Future Library in the forest.

Deichman Bjørvika hadn't yet been built when the Future Library had its inaugural book transfer ceremony – it opened in 2020 – and Katie acknowledges how lucky they were to secure such a fitting home for the manuscripts. "It's on the top floor of the library, too, which is really special, because that's where the precious collections are kept," she says. "Plus, you get the view of the fjords, looking out toward the direction of the forest, so it all feels really beautifully connected."

The project raises philosophical themes, too. In a world where instant gratification is everything, and validation and praise are hungered for, the act of writing something for future readers – audiences not even born yet, critics whose five stars will never be known to you – seems positively anarchic. It's fitting, then, that Booker Prize-winning author Margaret Atwood was the first to contribute to the Future Library ("we were ecstatic," says Katie) and has demonstrated her celebrated no-nonsense approach to such issues, describing the idea as "delicious".

In an interview with *The Guardian* after she submitted her manuscript, she likened the process to the creation of a time capsule: "I think it goes right back to that phase of our childhood when we used to bury little things in the backyard, hoping that someone would dig them up, long in the future, and say, 'How interesting ... I wonder who put it there?'"

For Katie, too, there's the knowledge that she won't live to see her project to completion. Born in 1981, she says: "It reminds me often about my own mortality, but that doesn't bother me, because I love the idea of artworks outliving their makers – and I love the idea that my son, who's now seven, might be around to read the books."

Clockwise from below

Deichman Bjørvika in Oslo; the clearing where 100 trees have been planted; author Margaret Atwood; the Silent Room







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Below Inside the Silent Room Bottom One of the newly planted trees

"It reminds me of my own mortality... I love artworks outliving their makers"

As much as the Future Library looks forward, there's also a sense of, one day, looking back. Some of the authors who will contribute to it have not even been born yet, but will have the opportunity to read works by authors whose use of language might, by then, seem archaic. Those involved in the last stages of the project will have access to a whole century's worth of works, while today's authors will never know what wordy pleasures the glass drawers hold.

As the project has gathered pace, every aspect of it has grown – from the once-saplings, now trees,

As the project has gathered pace, every aspect of it has grown – from the once-saplings, now trees, to the crowds that attend the annual manuscript handover. Walking into the forest – accessible from Oslo's city centre by train on the Holmenkollen Line – we see cyclists, hikers and runners. In the winter months, this is a skiing hotspot, and locals, says Anne Beate, board the train in full snow gear.

You can't help but wonder how many locals even realise that they're in the presence of a living art installation. The Future Library is only modestly signposted and the last 50m of path are rocky and uneven. The site is north-facing, chosen by Katie for its silence; so that distant city noise doesn't impede upon the space. The trees will grow more slowly than if they faced south, but the project is deliberately embedded in slowness.

There's an element of trust, and of hope, too, that the project is fully realised. This was assured in 2022 when a 100-year contract was signed between the City of Oslo and the Future Library Trust, guaranteeing protection of the trees, the Silent Room and the manuscripts.

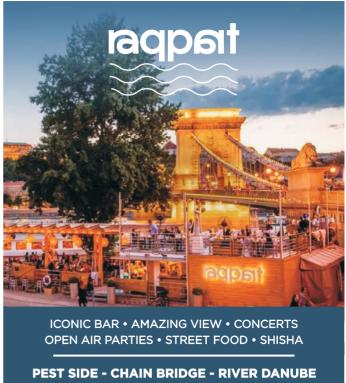
As social media and technology snake their way into every aspect of our lives, it's basic pleasures that many people seem nostalgic for: time amid nature and reading from printed pages. The Future Library speaks to both longings.

"The authors are free to write any length, but when we were developing the Silent Room, we only had the space that we had. We were a little nervous that the glass drawers might not be sizeable enough for, you know, a tome," laughs Katie. "So we tested them out with *War and Peace*. It fits." **futurelibrary.no**



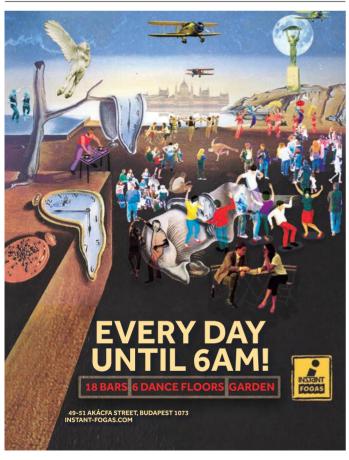


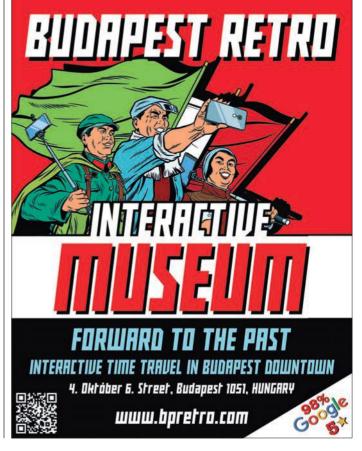




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If you haven't yet visited the beautiful landscapes, bountiful vineyards and culture-rich cities of Moldova, you're missing out. Here are just 10 of the hundreds of reasons it should be your next holiday destination...

1. Getting here couldn't be easier

Thanks to its central location, Moldova is easily accessible from all over Europe. You can arrive in the capital city of Chisinau in under three hours from a whole host of destinations including Vienna, Budapest, Rome, Milan and Warsaw, and even London in less than four hours.

2. A wonderful wine culture

It's an old Moldovan tradition: each year once the harvest is finished and the wines have had the chance to fully ferment, producers invite locals and visitors to taste their new vintages in a festival that also includes folk music, dancing and culture in Chisinau's central square. This year, the 23rd edition of Moldova's National Wine Day takes place from 5-6 October, but don't worry: even if your travel

dates don't coincide with the event you can still easily visit some of the country's most celebrated vineyards.

3. The cultural capital

Chisinau is steeped in history, from grand Soviet-era architecture to brutalist modern structures. It's also home to plenty of cultural attractions, including theatres and museums.

4. The warmest of welcomes

Hospitality is a cornerstone of Moldovan culture and wherever you go you can expect an authentic and heartfelt welcome. And on that note...

5. Moldova speaks your language

Well, quite possibly: almost every Moldovan you meet will speak at least two languages, and while the most common is Romanian (the official language of the country), many can also converse in Russian, English, Italian and more.

6. A flavoursome experience

Hand-in-hand with its rich culture and proud history for hospitality comes Moldova's moreish traditional cuisine – after all, what could make you feel more welcome and at home than a delicious dish? With bountiful homegrown ingredients, you can enjoy everything from warm plăcintă filled pastries to sarmale, a dish of cabbage leaves stuffed with meat, rice and spices. And make sure you try zeama, a chicken soup that's one of the best in the world.

7. Landscapes made for adventure

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Et Cetera winery; a traditional
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Consequently, Moldova is also an excellent location for cycling, hiking, kayaking and birdwatching.

8. A land where history comes to life

In Moldova, the past feels ever-present thanks to the country's peaceful, slow pace of life. You can explore its heritage all over, from the streets of Chisinau to the churches and monasteries dotted across the country, including Orheiul Vechi, a hilltop monastery where traces of human life date all the way back to Paleolithic times.

9. Extraordinary rural tourism

One of the best ways to explore all of this history, nature and culture is by staying in the countryside at one of Moldova's beautiful rural hideaways. Sustainable agritourism is a wonderful way to support the local way of life, and you'll find lots of options, from local farms where you can learn traditional methods and enjoy farm-to-table meals to family-run guesthouses, which will give you a glimpse of local life and opportunities to discover crafts such as artisanal pottery. It'll also give you a taste of...

10. Rich cultural traditions

Moldova's heritage is also alive and well in its traditional crafts, such as woven carpets bearing historic motifs and the traditional



embroidered blouses worn during folk festivals and dances. You can still see these being made today and worn at events across the country – because, if you haven't already realised, Moldovans are pretty proud of their beautiful country, celebrating it whenever they have the chance.



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Dom Pedro Vilamoura

Faro

It's no surprise that the Algarve continues to be one of Europe's best-loved holiday destinations. With wide, sandy Atlantic beaches giving way to leafy resorts, pretty villages and yacht-lined marinas, there's little not to love – and Dom Pedro Vilamoura offers a brilliant base from which to explore the region's riches.

Located in the chic resort of Vilamoura, 20km from Faro airport, the hotel is ideal for water lovers: two minutes' walk from the beautiful beach, it also has outdoor pools with water fountains, and an indoor spa with a hot tub and fitness centre. Inside, the bedrooms offer cool. clean lines, picture windows and roomy balconies with views of either the coast or the hotel's gardens. Thanks to its yearround climate, the Algarve is also renowned for its spectacular golf courses. Dom Pedro has no fewer than four to choose from, ranging from The Old Course - the 'Grand Dame' of Algarve courses - to the par-72 Millennium Course which opened in 2000. And if you're not a golfer, there's no danger of boredom: with a games room. two bars and the Olivia restaurant serving Portuguese specialities, all tastes are catered for.

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Regina Palm Resort

Near Tirana

Newly opened for 2024, the Regina Palm Resort is located in Orikum, just 100m from beautiful Baro Beach on Albania's southern Vlorë coast. Nestled between the crystal waters of the Adriatic and the pine-dotted Ceraunian Mountains, it's an area rich in nature and stunning scenery, and the Regina Palm is an ideal spot from which to explore that is, if you can bring yourself to leave the hotel. If not, a private beach allows quests exclusive access to a peaceful stretch of water for a morning

dip, before taking up your preferred spot around the 55m, Olympic-sized swimming pool with cool cabanas, cushioned sunbeds and leafy palm trees.

Inside, sleek rooms create an oasis of calm, decorated in soothing neutrals and boasting mood lighting, integrated storage and flatscreen TVs as well as spacious balconies. On the chic poolside terrace, you can enjoy a sunset cocktail or order from a delicious menu ranging from Mediterranean classics to Albanian specialities.



Hotel Josef

Prague

It might be located in Prague's Old Town, but Hotel Josef is a cool, modern space that champions contemporary 20th-century design. Here, details matter: from colourful Baleri armchairs to sleek limestone floors, bedrooms provide a stylish, comfort-first escape from the city. And when you're ready for adventure, guests can book a free three-hour spin on one of the hotel's electric scooters.



Town Hall Hotel

<u>London</u>

In a city as old as London, there's nothing better than staying in a historic building. And that's exactly what you'll find at this hotel – once the Bethnal Green Town Hall. At the heart of this trendy east London neighbourhood, the Edwardian building blends original heritage features with contemporary design, using transparent glass to partition spaces, and colourful soft furnishings to add personality.









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THE EATS

Where to go for a great meal across the WIZZ network



Naše Maso

Prague

Located on the Dlouhá Gourmet
Passage in Prague's Old Town,
Naše Maso is a butcher shop and
bistro where provenance is key.
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quality dishes served with minimal
fuss. Instead, all focus is on flavour:
from warm, expertly seasoned

meatloaf served with chunks of fresh sourdough bread to pulled pork or pastrami sandwiches, this is hearty comfort food at its best.

It's also a butchery like none you've seen before, with neon lights, hand-illustrated branding and a small but trendy drinks menu including a crisp Czech Riesling from Syfany and Navrátil plum brandy. Come prepared to queue - the space is small - but it moves quickly and only serves to dial up the anticipation. nasemaso.cz



Cantinho do Avillez

Lisbon

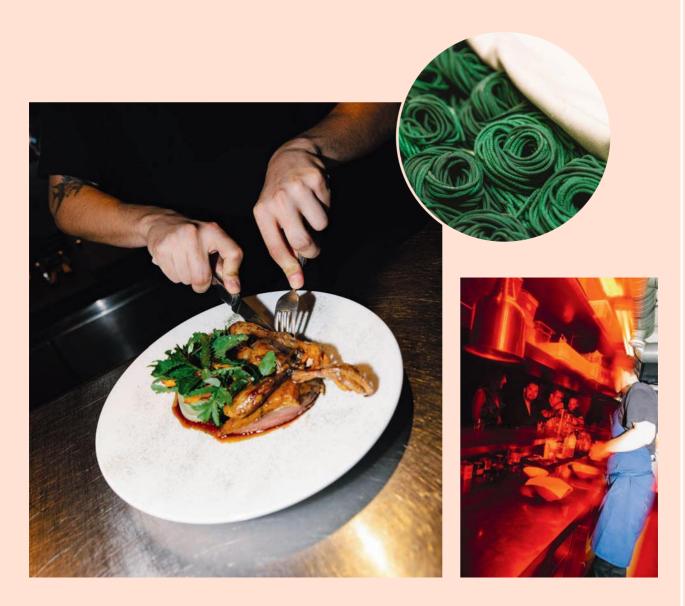
José Avillez is a familiar face across Portugal both for his excellent cooking and as a renowned author and TV host. With numerous restaurants, including two-Michelin-starred Belcanto, the chef champions his national cuisine without sticking slavishly to it. At Cantinho do Avillez in the Chiado district, his menu focuses on classic flavours, so expect the likes of slow-cooked Alentejo pork with coriander, garlic farofa and stewed black beans. **cantinhodoavillez.pt**



Zalipianki Ewa Wachowicz

<u>Krakow</u>

With interiors inspired by Polish folk-art murals in the village of Zalipie, about 80km east of Krakow, Zalipianki is a feast for the eyes as well as the mouth. Located on the edge of the city's Planty park, the restaurant is the brainchild of Polish TV chef Ewa Wachowicz and serves dishes inspired by the nearby Małopolska region, including buckwheat and spinach pancakes with mushroom sauce, and wild boar stew with parsley drop dumplings. zalipianki.pl



Retrobottega

Rome

In a city (and country) renowned for classic flavours, getting creative in the kitchen can be controversial. Luckily, the team behind Retrobottega in Rome doesn't care too much about ruffling feathers – instead, the focus of co-owners Alessandro Miocchi and Giuseppe Lo Iudice

is squarely on making innovative dishes that surprise and delight diners, borrowing not just from the Italian stalwarts but also world cuisine. They met working at two-Michelin-starred II Pagliaccio, so their passion for quality is key and their skills are clearly evident, even if the menu begins with a

disclaimer that 'sabotage is a matter of trust'. As such, diners can choose a mystery dinner involving five off-menu dishes or opt to order à la carte plates such as radicchio, 'nduja, dried figs and vegetable jus or cacciatora-style cuttlefish linguine with parsley and chilli. retro-bottega.com

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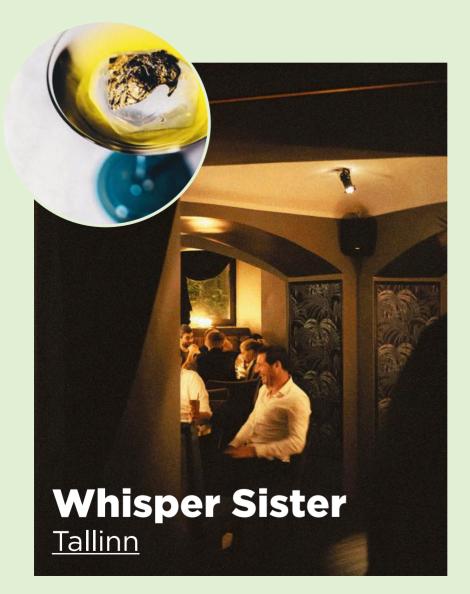
London

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Part of the beauty of London is that it's a global city, with influences from all over the world informing everything from its restaurant scene to its culture and nightlife. And in Notting Hill - the leafy west London hub that's home to many a famous resident -Viajante87 is an elegant basement bar that whisks patrons from the UK capital to Latin America thanks to a cocktail menu designed by Pietro Collina and Veronica Di Pietrantonio, who have travelled extensively in the region.

Viajante means 'traveller' in Spanish, and the bar's concept is all about transporting you on a journey of discovery via drinks. Think the Mole Manhattan, a mix of Lost Explorer Salmiana mezcal, cacao Licor Criollo, fig and Cynar,

or - if you're feeling brave - the Leche de Bichos (above) which blends agave-based raicilla with jocoque, a fermented milk, lemon, cacao and (gulp) grasshoppers. And if you'd prefer an original adventure, Viajante87's mixologists will even make you a bespoke drink on the spot, based on your preferences for everything from spirits to flavours. viajantebar.com



During prohibition in America, 'whisper sister' was the nickname given to courageous women who ran underground bars in defiance of the anti-drinking laws. Happily, no such law exists in Tallinn today, but one of the city's coolest bars is named after these bootleggers and is appropriately hidden in plain sight on Pärnu street.

Inside, Whisper Sister is all the things you want from a speakeasy: a moodily-lit mirrored bar lined with rare liquors, and an intimate space furnished with palms, cutglass lampshades and mismatched

vintage furniture within which to sip your concoctions. The menu lists not only their signature cocktail range but also each one's qualities - so expect the Solo (Lysholm Linie Aquavit, Sakari yuzu sake, St. Germain, olive oil and citrus) to be tart and earthy with hints of exotic citrus. Prefer something bittersweet and warming, with the essence of forest fruits? Try the Hygge, which blends Nikka Coffey gin with Cocchi Storico vermouth. Campari, raspberry and liquorice. whispersister.ee



Le Fantome de l'Opera

Lvon

Just five minutes from Lyon's National Opera, Le Fantome de l'Opera is a chic cocktail bar on Rue Royale that borrows a touch of its namesake's theatricality. Behind its burgundy façade you'll find a cosy bar where libations are served with creative touches, such as a Ginomber: Hendrick's Gin and pineapple served in a delicate teacup topped with rose buds and cucumber. The surroundings are similarly decadent – think gramophones, magnifying glasses and vintage furniture. **lefantomedelopera.fr**



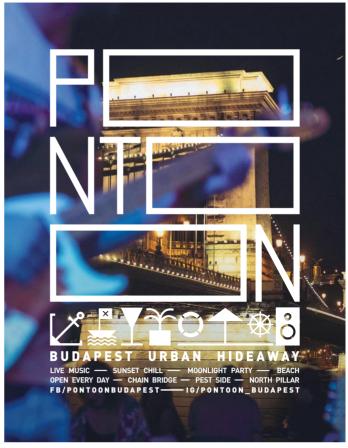
Anarkist Bar

Copenhagen

Located in the grounds of Copenhagen's famous Tivoli Gardens amusement park, Anarkist Bar is the first outpost from the renowned microbrewery based in nearby Odense. Beloved in Denmark for their flavoursome ales, Anarkist's mission statement is to expand your beer horizons, so expect everything from a fruity white Bloody Weizen to a delicious, unfiltered Hazy IPA and Naked Gold, a crisp and pure malted lager to tickle your tastebuds. anarkistbrewery.dk

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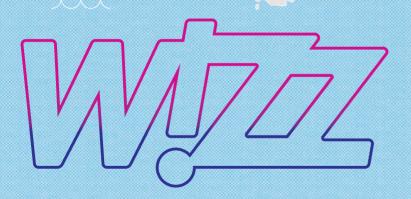








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In May, Wizz Air teamed up with iconic make-up brand Maybelline for a very special flight promoting its Sky High mascara. A very lucky group of influencers were invited to join an all-female flight crew for a journey from Warsaw to Barcelona. During the flight, guests were given goodie bags and received a mini makeover

courtesy of professional make-up artists on board, before spending a day exploring the beautiful Spanish city. The experience caused a stir on the ground too, with a branded pop-up at Warsaw Chopin Airport where travellers could try the mascara and enjoy a free coffee served by WIZZ cabin crew.

Going for Olympic gold

To mark 2024's Paris Olympics, Wizz Air painted one of its Airbus A321neo aircraft with a custom livery featuring the team Hungary logo with elegant lines and gold colour at its tail. The plane also had the honour of transporting the athletes to the French capital for the Games in July.











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New routes launch from Milan, Rome and Gdansk

Wizz Air is excited to announce a series of new routes launching in the coming months. Soon, travellers from Milan will enjoy connections with Rzeszów, Malaga, Larnaca, Warsaw and Valencia, while those in Rome will discover new routes to and from Poznan and Lisbon. Finally, passengers in Gdansk will have the chance to explore Milan and Funchal, the capital of the beautiful Portuguese island of Madeira.

WIZZ sponsors Vienna's Donauinselfest

In June, Wizz Air was thrilled to sponsor the 41st edition of Vienna's Donauinselfest, Europe's largest free open-air music festival. Taking place on Donauinsel, an island in the middle of the Danube, WIZZ's role in the three-day festival included the Wizz Air Sky Flight, a gondola ride giving festival-goers a breathtaking overview of the event, while many revellers also got the chance to spin a wheel to win a series of exciting Wizz Air prizes.



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Where to next?

Autumn is on the horizon, but that doesn't mean it's too late for some late-season sunshine



Summer may be coming to an end soon, but sunshine is still bathing some of our favourite destinations in a warm, inviting light. That means there's no better time to head for some late-summer sun by the beach, or explore picturesque islands and resorts packed with seaside fun. Here are just a few of the spots we're dreaming of for a late-season sunny escape.

Try a taste of Sicily

From the lava-stone cobbled streets of Catania at the foot of mighty Mount Etna to the cultural riches of Palermo, Sicily is a dreamy spot to head at the end of summer. After all, we're talking about a place where the brioche col tuppo – a buttery bread roll filled with sweet almond and refreshing lemon granita – is the breakfast of choice. Spend your days touring boutique wineries that take advantage of Etna's mineral-rich soil, or head to Taormina and enjoy the stunning coastlines that inspired the HBO hit White Lotus.

Swim with sharks in Sharm El-Sheikh

Egypt's famous Red Sea resort is packed with everything you could want from a late-summer getaway. Explore the area's extensive coral reefs at Ras Mohammed National Park, which is home to manta rays and hammerhead sharks

among hundreds of other species. There are also incredible land-based adventures to be had, from desert safaris to cultural visits to Mount Sinai and Saint Catherine's Monastery – not forgetting the nighttime buzz of Old Sharm's famous market.

Explore beautiful Mallorca

With hidden coves, lush, forested interiors and a capital dotted with refined eateries and stylish boutiques, Mallorca is ideal for a late-summer sojourn. Deià at the foot of Teix mountain is home to pretty bays and restaurants, including Ca's Patro March, featured in *The Night Manager* TV series. Further east, Port de Pollença offers pine-fringed beaches, crystalline waters and a marina that is perfect for people-watching.

Step back in time in Antalya

With more than 300 days of sunshine a year, it feels like summer never ends in Antalya. On the glittering Turkish Riviera, the best time to visit this holiday hotspot is in September - when the sea is still deliciously warm, but the crowds have (mostly)

Right Mount Sinai in Egypt **Below** surfing in Las Palmas

headed back home. If you can drag vourself from your sun lounger, wandering along the streets of the city's ancient centre (Kaleici) offers a glimpse into Türkiye's ancient past. Nearby historical sites Side and Patara are equally wonderful, with crumbling architecture dating back to 7,000 BC. Kas is the country's hottest diving spot, where you can get up close and personal with turtles and a whole host of marine life. And for something a little different. visit the gigantic The Land of Legends - a theme park, water park and mega shopping mall all rolled into one.

Go green in Madeira

The Portuguese island's subtropical microclimate means plants from all over the world can thrive here, all year round. Your first stop should be the Madeira



Botanical Garden. Dating back to 1960, it's home to more than 2,000 different exotic plants – including endangered species. At 500m above sea level, Palheiro Gardens – just east of the capital Funchal – is a lush green space which offers beautiful views across the sea. For something a little more active, take a walk along the island's famous levadas - mini canals hidden away in the island's hilltop forests.



Ok, so autumn is right around the corner, but not in Gran Canaria affectionately dubbed an 'island of eternal spring' for its constant warm temperatures and bright blue skies. But it's also an island of adventure. For an otherworldly experience, visit the Dunas de Maspalomas in the south of the island. You'll feel like you're in the Saharan desert, with sand dunes stretching as far as you can see. It's also a surfer's paradise, with Las Palmas in the north ideal for experienced surfers, and Plava del Inglés in the south better suited for newbies.

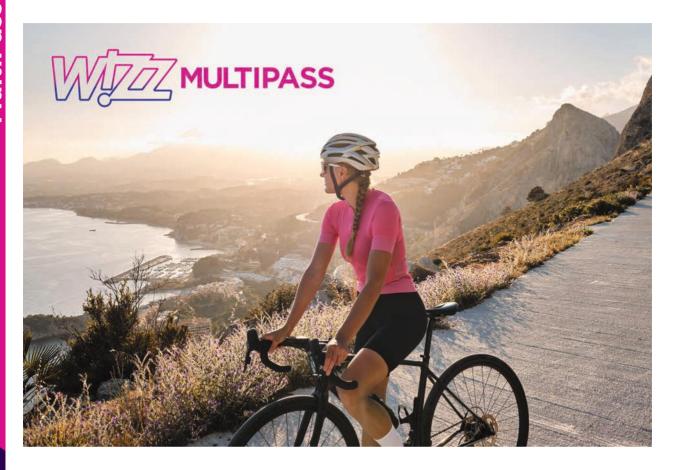




Ferencvárosi Torna Club (FTC) will start its new season journey in the Champions League qualifiers, and it will also be playing in their domestic league weekly. The Hungarian record champions aim to win their seventh title in a row and qualify for the Champions League group stage.

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We launched Wizz Air with the strong belief that air travel should not be a privilege. That we will create a world of opportunity for all through affordable travel. And we are delivering on that promise.

And while giving more and more people the freedom to travel, we aspire to continue to be the most carbon-efficient choice for flying. As well as breaking down barriers between people and air travel, we've shown a whole industry how aviation can be more sustainable.

Crucial business model and design decisions, from pricing to seat density, make sure we fly with high-load factors. We've never even thought about business-class seats. Or a huband-spoke model. Or substituting short train rides for flights. We've instead focused on innovation and technology. We fly with one of the youngest and most fuel-efficient fleets out there, and the most modern engines possible, all to keep our fuel use as low as possible.

This all delivers one of the lowest CO₂ emissions per passenger kilometre**, beating not just legacy carriers, but also low-cost airlines operating in a similar way to us.

A plane will never be greener than a train or an electric vehicle. But we are striving to be Europe's top choice for environmentally conscious flying. Because when it comes to sustainability, we believe in the facts of today. Not promises of the future.

Did you know?

Fuel consumption is influenced by the weight of the aircraft, which includes the baggage carried on board. Reduced baggage weight leads to lower fuel consumption, promoting fuel efficiency during flights. Travelling light and avoiding single-use items can also reduce waste.

Paperless flight deck

We use tablets in our flight decks, saving over 25,000 printed pages in the aircraft

Lighter seats

We're continuously investing in newer, lighter seats to reduce the aircraft's weight, which decreases fuel burn and emissions

Single-engine taxiing after landing

We save fuel by turning off one of the engines after arrival

Noise pollution reduction

Our A321neo aircraft use two Pratt & Whitney GTF engines, which reduce our noise footprint by almost 50% compared to previous generation aircraft

Sharklets

These amazing inventions can reduce fuel burn by 2% and CO_2 emissions by 600 tonnes per year per plane

Washing the engines regularly

We wash every engine twice per year - the cleaner they are, the smoother they run, and therefore less fuel is needed

* Wizz Air was named Global Environmental Sustainability Airline Group of the Year by the Centre for Aviation (CAPA) at its Awards for Excellence 2022 and 2023. ** 51.5 grams per passenger/km in 2023

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Our fleet

Younger, greener and growing

Wizz Air has a single-type fleet of 221 aircraft from the Airbus A320 family. It's among the youngest and most efficient in the world – and the safest. The average age of our aircraft is 4.3 years, well below the average fleet age of our major.

competitors, which is around 10 years. Our planes already have the most sophisticated safety equipment and, by 2030, we will have 500 aircraft. Our neo aircraft feature advanced systems and engines that reduce our carbon footprint, as well

as noise and cost, helping us keep fares low and accessible and providing the most responsible choice of air travel available. Wizz Air is currently the largest operator of the most sustainable Airbus A321neo aircraft in Europe

Airbus A320ceo

Max. cruise speed 903km/h Economical cruise speed 840km/h

Wingspan 35.8m (117ft 5in)

Flight crew 2 Cabin crew 4

Number of aircraft* 41

Range 6,200km (38ft 7h) 2 37.57m (123ft 3in)

Airbus A321ceo

Max. cruise speed 903km/h Economical cruise speed 840km/h

Wingspan 35.8m (117ft 5in)

Number of aircraft* 41

Seat capacity 230
Flight crew 2 Cabin crew 5



Airbus A320neo

Max. cruise speed 903km/h Economical cruise speed 840km/h

₩ingspan 35.8m (117ft 5in)

Number of aircraft* 6

Seat capacity 186
Flight crew 2 Cabin crew 4



Airbus A321neo

Max. cruise speed 903km/h Economical cruise speed 840km/h

Wingspan 35.8m (117ft 5in)

Number of aircraft* 133

Seat capacity 239
Flight crew 2 Cabin crew 5



Top marks for safety

Wizz Air is registered under the International Air Transport Association's (IATA) Operational Safety Audit (IOSA), the global benchmark in airline safety recognition. Wizz Air has also been awarded the **highest seven-star safety ranking** from the world's only one-stop airline safety and product rating agency, **AirlineRatings.com**

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- €10 ticket discount on flight fares from €19 99*
- €5 discount on checked-in bags purchased online**
- Exclusive onboard coupons
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Flexible travel

Fare lock

You can secure the fare of your selected tickets for 48 hours before you complete your booking for bookings made more than seven days prior to the outbound flight's departure date.

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You can modify your tickets (including passenger name) without paying a flight change fee, or cancel your flight and request a full refund (additional services will not be refunded) to your WIZZ account, which can be used for 90 days to purchase new tickets.

Travel insurance

Our comprehensive travel insurance includes medical expenses and cancellation cover. Add your insurance to your basket together with your flights or buy it later in Manage My Booking.

Flexible travel partner

Create a new reservation without providing each passenger's name at the time of booking.

On the ground

Car rental

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Your onboard safety

Please show consideration for your fellow passengers and pay attention to the following information. Remember that by purchasing your Wizz Air ticket, you have accepted the Wizz Air General Conditions of Carriage (available in full at wizzair.com)



Safe handling of hand luggage

Ensure hand luggage remains safely stowed in the locker or under the seat in front of you for takeoff, landing and at any time as instructed by the crew. Passengers seated in the emergency rows and first row must store their cabin bags in the overhead lockers. Take care when opening lockers, as falling items may injure fellow passengers.

In case of evacuation, all baggage must be left on board, and the instructions of the cabin crew must be strictly followed.



Safety equipment

It is an offence to tamper with or remove safety equipment, including adult and infant life vests, infant safety belts or extension belts. You are not allowed to remove or damage any onboard informative placards.



Sharp items

To dispose of any sharp items (e.g. hypodermic needles), please contact a cabin crew member. Do not leave your needle or syringe behind.



Turbulence management

Turbulence can occur unexpectedly. Whenever seatbelt signs are switched on, remain seated, keep seatbelts fastened, and stow away large electronic devices.



Safety of infants on board

Wizz Air has a clear procedure for infant (a child under two) restraint systems. You can only use the single hook infant seatbelt - vests/slings cannot be used with the infant seatbelt. Wizz Air only accepts aft-facing car seats when an extra seat is purchased. However, during take-off and landing, and whenever the seatbelt sign is switched on, infants should sit on an adult's lap with the seatbelt fastened. Life vests for infants are available and are provided whenever flying over water. All lavatories are equipped with a changing table. Do not leave children unattended in the cabin.



Lithium batteries

Portable electronic devices (PED) such as phones, laptops and tablets can contain lithium batteries. When damaged, faulty or overheated, these batteries can catch fire and explode. If you recognise any issues with your device, inform the cabin crew immediately.

Charging electronic devices on board using a portable battery charger is forbidden.



Flectronic devices

Some electronic devices can be used during the flight with WLAN/Wi-Fi/Bluetooth turned off.

Larger electronic devices that cannot be held comfortably in one hand, exceed ca. 1kg in weight and do not qualify as handheld devices (e.g. laptops, notebooks etc.) must be stowed in the overhead stowage compartments for takeoff, landing and whenever required by the cabin crew.

If in doubt, please ask your cabin crew.

Inflight health tips

Read these tips on how to stay fit when travelling.



Before your air travel

Consult your doctor before travelling if you have any medical concerns. Pregnant women and those with heart or respiratory problems, blood diseases or ear, nose and sinus infections should seek medical advice before flying. Crew members are entitled to call for medical assistance pre-flight if they deem it necessary and are in doubt about your fitness for the flight.



Medical supplies on board

Keep any medication you may need in your hand luggage and in its original packaging. Inform cabin crew of allergies or illnesses. If you are seriously ill or travelling post-surgery, you will need a medical certificate confirming that you are fit to fly. If you have limited mobility, are hearing- or sight-impaired, pregnant, or unable to understand/react to safety instructions, you will be unable to sit in the emergency exit rows or the front row. If you start to feel unwell during the flight, do not hesitate to talk to the cabin crew.



Nut allergy

During our WIZZ Café service we offer peanuts and some snacks containing peanuts/nuts traces. If you have any allergies we strongly encourage you to take all necessary medical precautions before flying, and to inform the cabin crew during boarding about your allergy.

Exercise Be as active as possible. Try the following routine every 30 minutes:











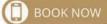


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Your security

...is one of our top priorities. To ensure a smooth and pleasant flight, please read the following rules of conduct

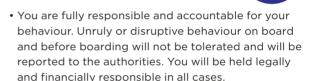
We encourage you to... ...so you can:

- Follow crew instructions, which are there to keep
- Be respectful towards everyone on board fellow passengers and the crew
- Use appropriate language and try to stay calm and cooperative

- Travel in a nice, pleasant and peaceful atmosphere
- Relax on board
- Get to your destination as soon as possible

Not tolerated onboard... ...or face the consequences:

- Smoking on board (including classic cigarettes or e-cigarettes, pipes, vapes)
- Placing e-cigarettes in your checked-in bags or charging them on board
- Breaching, or refusing to follow, crew instructions
- Harassing fellow passengers and/or crew members in any way (including sexual harassment)
- Threatening or being aggressive towards fellow passengers and/or crew members
- Being violent or behaving in a hostile, erratic manner
- Damaging the aircraft or onboard equipment
- Wasting, polluting or contaminating the cabin
- Endangering the safety of the flight by any means
- Consuming alcohol that was not purchased on board. Alcohol is served at the crew's discretion to passengers of legal drinking age. The crew reserves the right to stop serving alcohol to any passenger who is, or appears to be, intoxicated
- Being under the influence of drugs or medical substances that may affect your behaviour or self-control
- Filming or photographing the cabin crew without their permission





The following consequences* will occur for such misconduct:

- · Passenger denied boarding
- Penalty/fine or arrest by local police:
 - Smoking on board, including lavatory: up to €3.000*
 - Unruly behaviour due to intoxication: up to €5,000 and two years in prison*
 - Endangering the safety of an aircraft: up to five years in prison*
- Diversion of flight and arrest
- · Reimbursement of cost of diversion: €10.000-€80.000*
- Criminal procedure and court litigation*
- Cancellation of all of your existing Wizz Air flight bookings
- A ban from Wizz Air flights in the future



THE CREW RESERVES THE RIGHT TO STOP **SERVING ALCOHOL TO** ANY PASSENGER WHO IS, OR APPEARS TO BE, INTOXICATED



SMOKING ON BOARD. **INCLUDING IN THE** LAVATORY, WILL RESULT IN A FINE OF UP TO €3,000*



FILMING OR PHOTOGRAPHING THE **CABIN CREW WITHOUT** THEIR PERMISSION IS NOT PERMITTED

For more information, please refer to the General Conditions of Carriage on wizzair.com



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ENDLESS WMFR!



James Goodwin, Head of Ancillary Revenue Wizz Air

Welcome to Wizz Air inflight retail, honoring the summer adventures with our "Endless Summer" edition. Whether your trip is long, short, business, or leisure, we want to provide a selection of products to meet all your needs. As Europe's most sustainable airline, all our products are sourced as ethically as possible, and brought to you to enjoy on-board!

So, sit back, relax, and let us look after you and your loved ones today!

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Jo Cash, Retail Director

As the sourcing partner for Wizz Air, we have located and built product deals for all occasions. Needing "lunch on the go"? Have a browse at our extensive range of sandwiches, where you can now ask for the deal with a beer or wine as well. Our drink deals on page 138 will help you get into the holiday mood. We are thrilled to introduce the vibrant flavors of our international snacks and drinks on pages 130&131. Grab your sunglasses and join us on this sun-kissed journey! Remember, you can always just push the button above your head outside of service and our brilliant crew will look after you. So again, sit back, relax, and enjoy your inflight service.

We'd love to hear what you think! Please share your feedback with us: wizzinflight@gategroup.com

DEAL OF THE MONTH €80 **YVES SAINT** LAURENT €75 **MYSLF** EdP 60ml Fresh accord Orange blossom Wood accord €68 FOR HIM €63 **GIORGIO** ARMANI **Armani Code** EdT 50ml **Green Mandarin** ARMANI code **Lavandin Heart Tonka Bean Absolute**

SUNSHINE DEAL!

Buy the 2 Uriage products together and get a **FREE** travel towel!

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HUNGARIAN CORNER*



Ziegler Blue Cheese Wafer (50g)	. €2.80
Cafe Frei Sparkling coffee mango, vanilla (20cl)	€3.00
Szentkiralyi Lemon flavoured water (25cl)	. €3.20
Shanky's Whip Black Irish Whiskey (5cl)	. €6.00
Arpad Palinka (5cl)	. €6.00
Zwack Unicum (4cl)	. €6.00
Monyo pils (33cl)	. €6.50
Pick salami 400g	. €15.00



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Grzeski Mega chocolate wafer (48g)	€2.50
Lajkonik Talarki Krakowskie (155g)	€4.00
Kabanos Classic (105g)	€4.00
Tymbark Red fruits juice (40cl)	€4.00
Debowa Polska Oak Wodka (5cl)	€700





Save up to Zaoszczędź do

> Buv a beer and a Kabanos Classic for €9 only!

Kup piwo z Kabanosem za iedyne €9!







€3.50

ITALIAN CORNER*



Aragostina with hazelnut cream (37g)	€3.20
Tarallini classic (80g)	€3.50
San Pellegrino Limonata (33cl)	€3.70
Assorted biscuits (170g)	€5.50
Bottega Grappa (5cl)	€7.00

Italian Morning Special Deal!

Buy Arogostina with a Starbucks Cappuccino for €6 only!

Offerta colazione italiana!

Compra Aragostina e Starbucks Cappuccino per solo €6!







Choose your sandwich

PREPARE YOUR MEAL

Deal 1: €7.50 Smoked turkey baquette



Cheese baguette Deal 2: €7.50



Deal 3: €9.50 Cheese croissant

Deal 4: €9.50 Double meat croissant

Deal 5: €11.50 Roast beef sandwich



DEAL 1: SMOKED TURKEY BAGUETTE SUPER MEAL DEAL

Rustic tomato baquette with smoked turkey slices. fruity BBQ sauce & poached spinach with garlic.

MORE!

Sandwich + drink + snack

Save up to €5.20



DEAL 2: CHEESE BAGUETTE () SUPER MEAL DEAL

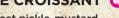
Edam cheese & sundried tomato spread on a multi-seed baguette

SAVE MORE! Sandwich + drink + snack

Save up to €5.20



DEAL 3: CHEESE CROISSANT ()



Emmental cheese, sweet pickle-mustard mayo and onion jam on a croissant.

MEAL DEAL: Sandwich + drink + snack

Save up to €4.20



Upgrade your meal deal!

Change your soft drink to beer or wine for an extra €3.







DEAL 4: DOUBLE MEAT CROISSANT

Turkey salami, smoked turkey slice, grilled vegetables and basil butter cream on a croissant.

MEAL DEAL: Sandwich + drink + snack

Save up to €4.20

DEAL 5: ROAST BEEF SANDWICH

Seeded lye roll with sous vide roast beef, soy mayo, ruccola, fried onions & sundried tomato.

MEAL DEAL: Sandwich + drink + snack

Save up to €4.20

DOUBLE THE DOUBLE!

Buy any 2 croissant sandwich (double meat or cheese) together for €10 only.











HUNGRY FOR NEW ADVENTURES? YOU'RE IN THE RIGHT PLACE!

Choose vour meal

YOUR

MEAL

PREPARE Deal 1: Noodle Soup €8.50

Deal 2: Mushroom Risotto €8.50

Deal 3: Pasta Carbonara €8.50



Upgrade vour meal deal!

Change your soft drink to beer or wine for an extra €3.



EACH FOR €5

Make it a meal deal for (€8.50) Save up to €3.20!



NOODLE SOUP (Chicken or Beef)

Quick snack on-the-go.



MUSHROOM RISOTTO 🕥

Creamy Italian mushroom risotto.



PASTA CARBONARA

Fusili pasta with bacon pieces in a creamy carbonara sauce.

COLD DRINKS

NaturAqua mineral water (50cl) still/sparkling	€3.20
Big Tom tomato juice (15cl)	€3.70
Coca-Cola, Coca-Cola Zero, Fanta Orange (33cl)	€3.70
Kinley Tonic Water, Kinley Pink Berry,	

Kinley Ginger Ale (25cl)	€3.70
Cappy juice (33cl) different flavours	€3.70
Cappy Strawberry Lemonade (40cl)	€4.00
Fuzetea green tea lemon zero (50cl)	€4.20
Red Bull* (25cl) original	€4.20
Red Bull new summer edition* (25cl)	€4.50

^{*}Customers must be 18 years old or above to be served with Energy Drinks on board.









LOCAL SPIRITS 5cl*

Alexandrion brandy
Rakija plum



€6.50 PREMIUM BEER 33cl*

Estrella Galicia

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Cocktail of the month



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Whisky & Coke



Bloody Mary



Vodka & Orange



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Rum & Coke

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Beer (33cl) local selections	€6.20
Premium beer (33cl)	€6.50
Quality wines (18.7cl) red/white,	
local selections	€7.00
Spirits (5cl) Absolut Vodka/Ballantine's	
Scotch Whisky/Beefeater Gin/Bacardi Rum	€7.00
Local Spirits (5cl)	
Alexandrion Brandy/Rakija Plum	€7.00
B Lemon Spritz* (25cl)	€7.00
Prosecco** (20cl)	€8.50

^{*}Available on selected flights departing from Italy and Romania.

Always drink responsibly. Customers must be 18 years or above to be served alcohol on board.



^{**} Prosecco is available on selected flights from / to: Italy, Romania (Bottega Gold Prosecco DOC) and Poland. Please ask the crew for availability.

WINE DEAL

Buy 1 Wine (White/Red) and snack* for



BEER DEAL

Buy 1 Beer and snack* for



CHOOSE ANY SNACK*









*Snack options you can choose from: Elephant pretzel, Pickstick, Beef Jerky BBQ, Pringles.

SUMMER SPECIAL 3+1 deal

Buy **3 Beers** and get the 4th one for **FREE**!



Please ask the crew for the available beer on board

SUMMER SPECIALPremium 3+1 deal

Buy **3 Premium Beers** and get the 4th one for **FREE!**







SAVOURY SNACKS

	YOU+ peanuts (50g) V O N N	€2.20
	Elephant pretzel (80g) with sesame 🗸 🚷 🕥	€3.70
	Pringles (40g) Sour Cream & Onion 😉	
	or Original 🗸 🛇 🐧	€3.70
	Pickstick Sausage Snack (60g) 💔 😵	€4.00
	Nakotne Beef Jerky Barbecue snack (45g) 🔇 🚷	€4.00
	Doritos Nachos & Salsa Box (95g) 😵 🖸	€4.50
ew	Quinoa salad (250g) 🗸 🛇 🚷 🚷	€8.00

SANDWICH ONLY

	€6.00
Smoked Turkey Baguette	€5.00
	€6.00
Cheese Baguette 🛇	€5.00
Cheese Croissant 🛇	€7.00
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Double Meat Croissant	€ /.00
Roast Beef Sandwich	€9.00
Noast Deel Salidwich	€3.00

Check page 132 & 133 for a big meal deal saving!















Barista Cup, fresh ground coffee	€4.00
Nescafe Gold Coffee YOU+	€3.20
Starbucks Latte	€4.70
Starbucks Cappuccino	€4.70
Dilmah Tea berries, jasmine green, English Br	reakfast€3.20
Dilmah Premium Tea peppermint	€3.70
Coffee Syrup Caramel-Vanilla	€0.50



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SWEET SNACKS

Haribo Mini Gold Bears (10g) 🚷 🚷	€0.50
YOU+ chocolate bar (20g) 😵 🕥	€2.20
KitKat original (41.5g) 🛇	€2.50
Snickers (50g) 🚷 💽	€2.50
Oreo Biscuit (66g) 🛇	€2.70
Nobilis apple crisps (20g) 🗸 🛇 🚷 🚷	€3.00
Croissant cocoa (50g) 😉	€3.20
Croissant cocoa-pistachio (45g) 🛇	€3.50
Yoghurt & forest fruit muesli (160g) 🗞	€3.50
M&M's Peanut share bag (90g) 😵 🕥	€4.00
Caprice wafer rolls (115g) 👀	€4.70

















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SUMMER ACCESSORIES







INFINITYThe Universal Phone Strap

This phone strap by Vonmählen slips around any phone with ease and the adjustable nylon drawstring assures the most comfortable, secure hold, it's the perfect tech accessory when you are on-the-go!



ALLROUNDO ECO The Sustainable All-in-One Cable

The meticulously designed spiral cable extends up to 90 cm, with fast charging and made for the first time from 75% recycled materials.

The minimalistic travel case protects the integrated adapters for USB-A, a Micro-USB and Lightning, making it even more durable





GESKE Sonic Thermo Facial Brush 6 in 1

Compact yet powerful it's a cleanser, a heated brush, and a facial massager rolled into one. Get ready to unlock natural, brighter, and rejuvenated skin, starting from its deepest layers.





REIMAGINE YOUR SKIN

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Sonic Thermo Facial Brush | 6 in 1





















and sensitive skins.





BABOR HYDRA & GLOWAmpoule Serum Concentrates

This Set creates plump and radiant skin in just 7 days due to hyaluronic acid, ProVitamin B5, and ExoPolySaccharides.



MÁDARA Skin stars

4 mini bestsellers for hydrated, glowing, protected skin: Creamy Clay 7% AHA Peel Mask (17 ml), Time Miracle Hydra Firm Hyaluron Concentrate Jelly (15 ml), Vitamin C Illuminating Recovery Cream (15 ml), SPF30 Plant Stem Cell Age-Defying Face Sunscreen (10 ml).





* Test with self-assessment, BABOR Center for Studies & Applications, 39 test subjects, 1x daily, for 1 week



RITUALS The Ritual of Sakura Mini Travel Set

Take the renewing power of The Ritual of Sakura on your travels with you and celebrate each day as a new beginning with the 50ml mini shower foam and 70ml body cream. Infused with soothing cherry blossom and





YVES ROCHER Roll On Deodorant 50 ml

Anti-Perspirant with Brittany Algae 48-hour, 50ml. Long-lasting antiperspirant effectiveness 48-hour for a feeling of comfort and freshness all day long.



Huge

La vie en Roses

Precious rose-scented body care! The adorable set contains a Rose Tea Butter Hand Cream 75 ml, Green Rose Shower Oil 100 ml, Green Rose Body Lotion 50 ml and a Rich Foot

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Big saving

€30

LANCOME MyMakeUp Favorites Set

All your make-up favorites in one set, with Hypnôse Mascara, L'Absolu Rouge Cream, Crayon Khôl Noir and Bi-Facil.

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L'OREAL PARIS Shades of Nudes Lipstick Trio

Get the iconic Color Riche Nudes Satin Lipstick Trio Set from L'Oréal Paris. Rich nude shades with hydrating oils.

L'OREAL PARIS Telescopic Lift Duo

L'Oreal Paris Telescopic Lift mascara enhances lashes. Longer-looking lashes, 24h lift. Two-sided brush, ceramide formula.





SOL DE JANEIRO Brazilian Bum Bum Body Cream 75 ml

Brazilian Bum Bum Cream visibly firms and tightens skin while providing fast-absorbing hydration and a lit-from-within glow. It features the iconic Cheirosa 62 fragrance, a warm and sunny scent with notes of pistachio, salted caramel, vanilla and sandalwood.





DR. PAWPAW
It does it all
7 in 1 hair treatment

Heat protection, reduces split ends, detangler, reduces frizz & smoothes, blowdry styling aid, adds shine, no need to rinse, with Pawpaw fruit (papaya), with mango and coconut fragrance.

CLINIQUE All About Moisture

Get non-stop hydration for glowing skin on the go. The set contains Moisture Surge 100-Hour Autoreplenishing Hydrator 75ml, All About Eyes Serum 15ml, Moisture Surge Face Spray 30ml. Skin feels plumped and looks glowing.

Travel retail exclusive





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ELIZABETH ARDENCeramide Trial 3x7 pcs

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