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USA

Driving the scenic roads of Western Colorado

By Jim Chamberlain



Western Colorado offers some of the most spectacular scenery in this state that overflows with mountain landscapes.

While most visitors travel to Denver and Rocky Mountain National Park in the northeast part of the state, I wanted to see the fall colors found from Grand Junction to Durango.

My travels would also stop in Aspen, Telluride and Mesa Verde National Park along three Scenic Byways through the Rocky Mountains to the cliff dwellings of the south western corner of the state.



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The South Pacific

A Polynesian adventure

By Jim Chamberlain



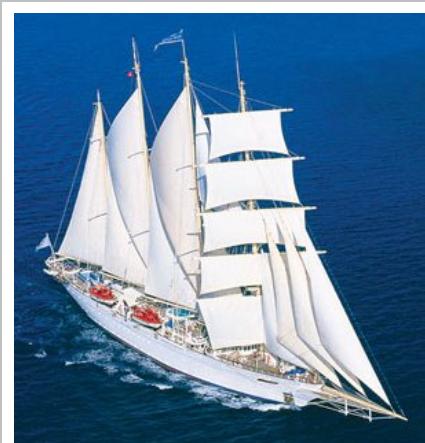
The jungle covered mountains were surrounded by the early morning mist as the island of Moorea came into view.

The wind was blowing across the deck of the squared rigged barkentine, the Star Flyer.

I felt I had stepped back in time to the era of sailing ships as the ship anchored in a beautiful blue water bay.

H.M.S. Bounty may have anchored near the same spot of this tropical island.

I was on a seven day sailing adventure to the islands of French Polynesia and I had waited many years to see this fabled group of islands.



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Cape Cod, Massachusetts, USA

Making the time to take in Cape Cod

By Ashley Gibbins and Ann Mealor



Cape Cod is a thin hooked shaped peninsula of land in the south eastern corner of Massachusetts, which in turn is one of the six New England states.

It is surrounded by Cape Cod Bay, the Atlantic Ocean, Nantucket Sound, Vineyard Sound and Buzzards Bay respectively.

Since 1914, Cape Cod has been separated from 'mainland' Massachusetts by the Cape Cod Canal that cuts across the base of the peninsula.

From here, it curves some 70 miles around to Provincetown, where the 'Mayflower Pilgrims' first landed in 1620, and remained for five weeks before opting to settle in what is now Plymouth.

In doing so it offers miles of pristine shoreline, picture perfect small towns and traditional fishing harbours, and any number of art galleries, antique shops and excellent dining opportunities.

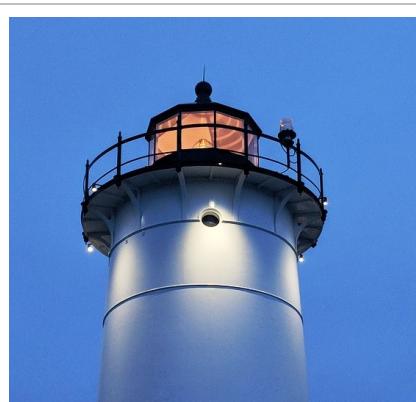
The Old King's Highway

The best way to appreciate a good part of Cape Cod is to travel, which is one of America's true scenic routes.

Once providing ports for commercial whaling fleets, it is now the whale watching boats that take to sea from Cape Cod.

A trip out to watch these magnificent creatures feed is an absolute must when visiting Cape Cod.

www.visitcapecod.com



Cape Cod, Massachusetts

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A slower pace on Martha's island



Martha's Vineyard is an island seven miles off the Cape Cod peninsula in Massachusetts.

Martha's Vineyard, the name itself conjures up enticing and evocative emotions.

Once a major whaling centre it has become, in more recent times, a favoured summer resort for those with demanding, frenetic or spotlight focused lives.

The island first came to prominence when it was an offshore retreat for musicians Carly Simon and James Taylor.

US Presidents Bill Clinton and Barrack Obama also found the island a retreat

It is easy to understand why people choose Martha's Vineyard as a place to unwind.

There is the natural beauty of the rugged coastline and gently rolling countryside, the quality of island hotels, inns and restaurants and the understated, yet genuine welcome offered by island residents.

And finally, there is the added cachet that comes with visiting a small island.

An enduring love for Nantucket



Nantucket is an island measuring 14 miles long and 3½ miles wide, some 27 miles off Cape Cod's south coast.

Its long and illustrious history is such that the National Park Service designated the entire island to be a National Historic District in 1975.

Its location offshore from the New England mainland also gives the island a unique weather pattern influenced by the warm Gulf Stream and the cooler Labrador Current in the Atlantic.

As a result, winters are more temperate than on the mainland with summers cooler.

The island does however attract thick fogs, which can blanket the island in a soft grey mist and gives its affectionate name of the Grey Lady.

Visitors to the island, and there are very, very many during the high season, will find the town of Nantucket a time locked delight.

Travel just a little further and there are quiet harbours, cliff backed sandy beaches and a network of cycle paths.

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www.allwaystraveller.com/continents/american/making-the-time-to-take-in-cape-cod



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India

South India road trip - a motorcycle journal

By Timothy Morsch



On one morning in December 2017, we set out from Chennai, India, aboard a pair of KTM Duke 250 motorcycles.

For twenty-eight days and more than 2,600 km we explored rural Tamil Nadu and Kerala.

Few foreigners ride the back roads of southern India and we certainly attracted a lot of attention.

From chai stall stares to school children cheers and even newspaper coverage this was a wonderful experience.



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Pas-de-Calais, France

A journey of remembrance and discovery

By Ashley Gibbins and Ann Mealor



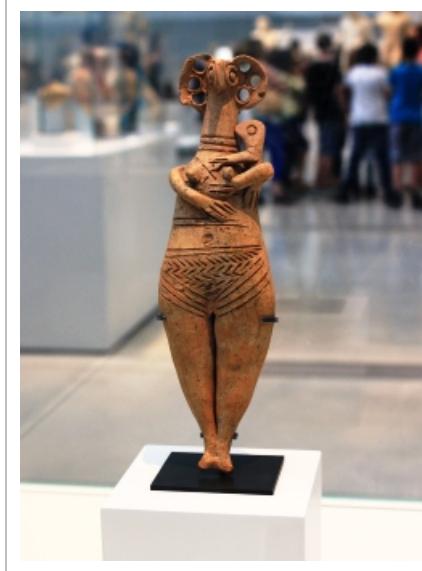
The Pas-de-Calais region of northern France has a rugged coastline dotted with small seaside towns and villages, sandy beaches and the resort of Le Touquet-Paris-Plage.

In its rural heartland, Pas-de-Calais offers the medieval towns and sleepy villages sitting in verdant countryside.

The Louvre Lens Musuem is a stunning example of how art, culture and heritage can come together in a truly inspiring experience.

Finally the area around Arras saw some of the bloodiest fighting during the Great War of 1914 to 1918.

No trip to Pas-de-Calais will be complete without taking in a sombre and very moving tour of the war grave cemeteries and memorials.



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Hawaii, USA

Doggie day on Kauai

By Steve MacNaull



Tail a waggin', Simba leads the way like he knows where he's going.

It's the first time this Chihuahua-terrier cross has been on the Koloa Heritage Trail, but that doesn't damper his ears-perked, tongue-hanging-out canine enthusiasm.

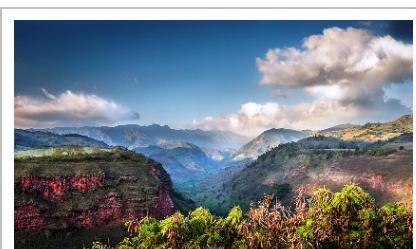
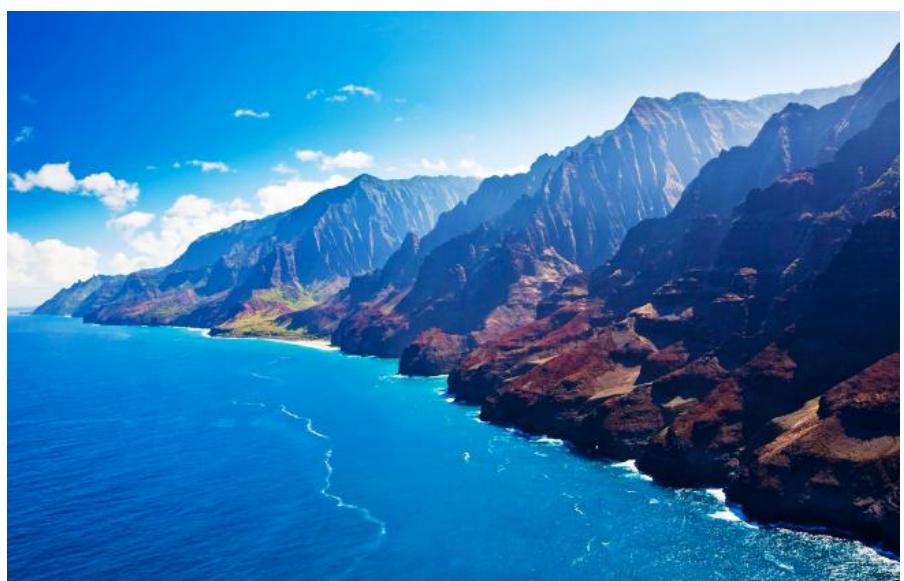
Kerry, and I happily follow, hardly believing we're hiking oceanside on the Hawaiian island of Kauai with a dog we just met five minutes ago.

Three-and-a-half year old Simba is from the Kauai Humane Society, which lends out friendly and athletic pooches for half-day field trips to hang out with locals and tourists.

We discovered this opportunity while staying at the luxurious Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort.

The resort's Enrich programs allow guest to volunteer potting plants at the National Tropical Botanical Garden, de-littering a beach or borrowing a dog from the humane society.

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The Cotswolds, UK

Town and country unites in complete harmony

By Ashley Gibbins and Ann Mealor

The Cotswolds covers an almost 800 square miles that takes in the five English counties of Gloucestershire, Oxfordshire, Warwickshire, Wiltshire and Worcestershire.

A designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, making it the largest protected landscape in England after the Lake District National Park.

The Cotswolds also has more than 3,000 miles of footpaths and bridleways through ancient woodlands and wildflower meadows with 4,000 miles of stone walls dividing up the landscape.

It is the harmony between historic heritage and natural beauty that makes the Cotswolds such an attraction to visitors.

It offers quintessential English country towns and villages of honey-coloured Cotswold stone.

Local produce is in abundance with cheeses, meats and drinks on the menus of the many country pubs and old inns, small cafes and fine dining restaurants.

For a stay there are country house and boutique hotels and inns, guest and manor houses.

Visit : www.cotswolds.com and www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk



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www.allwaystraveler.com/continents/europe/the-cotswolds-town-and-country-in-harmony



Poland, Europe

The storybook charisma of Krakow

By Patti Morrow

Krakow, which is often named the most beautiful city in Poland, has a distinct storybook charisma.

It's a picturesque city with an Old Town brimming with historic architecture and Gothic spires, and a massive, eclectic castle, all centered around the Vistula River.

Also the oldest city in Poland, this UNESCO World Heritage Site is located near the Czech border, making it convenient to visit from other parts of Europe.

After enduring a Mongol ransacking in the 13th century, Krakow's rebuilt itself and enjoyed golden years under the reign of Casimir III the Great, in the 14th century.

Casimir founded Krakow University, best known as the school where Copernicus studied and established the Kazimierz, one of Europe's largest Jewish neighborhoods and one of the city's vibrant places.

Although much of Poland was destroyed during World War II, Krakow was spared.



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Visit : www.visitkrakow.com

Naples, USA

Golden days on Florida's Gulf Coast

By Ashley Gibbins and Ann Mealor



Naples, which is located on the Gulf of Mexico between Miami and Fort Myers, in Southwest Florida, has long lured travellers to its sub-tropical climate, pristine beaches and glorious sunsets.

The name itself arose via a late 19th Century magazine article that sang the praises of the area and compared it most favourably with the Bay of Naples, Italy.

The Naples of today is a prosperous, thriving community, whose residents take real pride in their town, keeping it remarkably clean and attractive and very safe.

Naples is also a major 'snowbird' destination for those looking to escape the winter conditions in the northern states.

This all helps sustain the plethora of fine dining restaurants, designer boutiques and art, craft and gift shops that so enhance a short stay here.



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England, UK

Spectacular sights on dark November nights

By Ashley Gibbins



The annual *Somerset Guy Fawkes Carnivals* are November, night time, illuminated processions in eight West Country towns.

With the first staged in Bridgwater, the original home of the Guy Fawkes Carnival, it provides the spectacular culmination to many months of planning, preparation and building by each of the Carnival Clubs taking part.

The Carnivals awe spectators with 50 huge, themed 'carts' (floats) passing slowly through each town.

Visit : www.bridgwatercarnival.org.uk and www.somersetcountycarnivals.com



These will be lit by thousands of light bulbs, with hydraulically moving parts and musical support for the costumed *Carnivalites* on each float.

Well over 120,000 people will line the streets in Bridgwater with many thousands more opting for one or more of the other Carnival's in the series.

It makes for one of the most spectacular series free 'shows on earth',

The stunning images used here were created by Craig Stone.



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Monemvasia, Greece

Well worth going the extra mile

By Ashley Gibbins and Ann Mealor



The Greek municipality of Monemvasia sits at the south eastern tip of the country's Peloponnese region.

The Kastro (Castle Town) of Monemvasia, which is the 'must see' of the area, has been carved over the centuries from the cliff side of a rocky island located some 400 metres off shore.

This remarkable walled town is a maze of Byzantine, Ottoman, and Venetian houses dating back to the 13th century.

The ruins of the castle itself along with the original island settlement are perched atop the rock - one hundred metres above sea level.

Beyond the Kastro, visitors to this part of Greece will discover a serene way of life with secluded beaches and small fishing ports.

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Scotland

Good food, friendly people and more on Orkney

By Nigel Duncan



Orkney is an archipelago off the north eastern coast of Scotland.

The islands encompass Neolithic sites, tall sandstone cliffs and seal colonies. The 'Heart of Neolithic Orkney' is a group of 5,000-year-old sites on Mainland, the largest island including Skara Brae, a preserved village with a reconstructed house and Maeshowe, a chambered burial tomb incorporating 12th-century Viking carvings.

Resilient and creative people, hardened by a tough climate and stormy seas, have dominated Orkney's history since Neolithic times.

Skara Brae, for example, pre-dates Stonehenge and the Pyramids, and the rugged, practically treeless terrain is home to over 22,000 people.



However, the population is swelled considerably by tourists in the height of the season.

Add to that, locals claim that Orkney receives more destination cruise ship port calls in one season than any other destination in Britain.

Weather is a factor here. Rain can suddenly appear and, during our trip to the West Mainland, the heart of Neolithic Orkney there were 60mph gusts.

However, we still enjoyed dramatic cliffs, stunning coastal scenery, thriving sea bird colonies and indulging in spectacular walks.



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Italy

Venice in Winter

By R. Daniel Foster



Even though some 20 million visit the narrow city of Venice annually, in winter is graciously empty of tourists.

In peak season, that's about 60,000 a day, outnumbering the locals and turning the place into a kind of manic Disneyland.

In January, there are no lines so you walk effortlessly into any church or museum or across any slim canal.

You'll rarely encounter acqua alta, the high tides that wash over Piazza San Marco.



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