

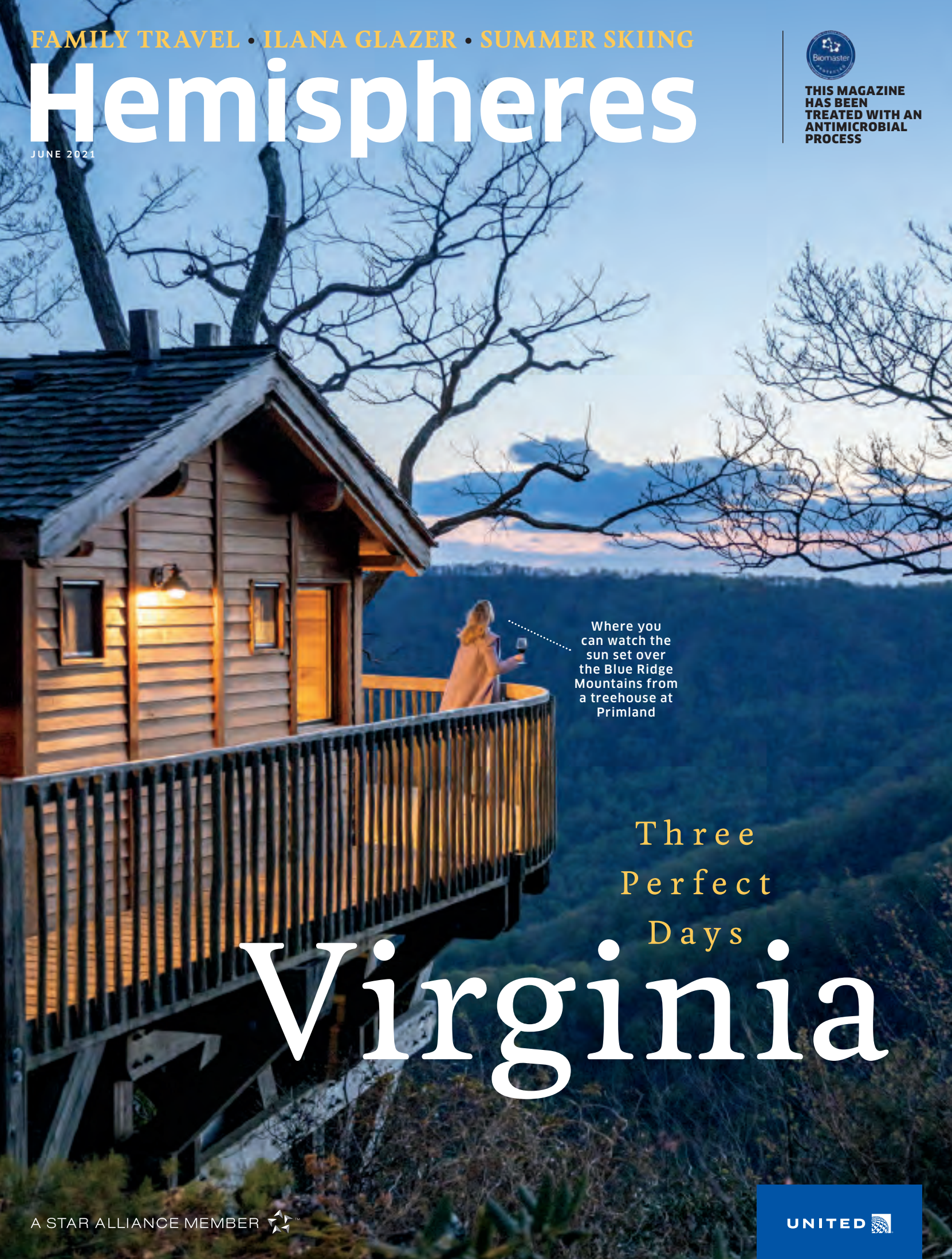
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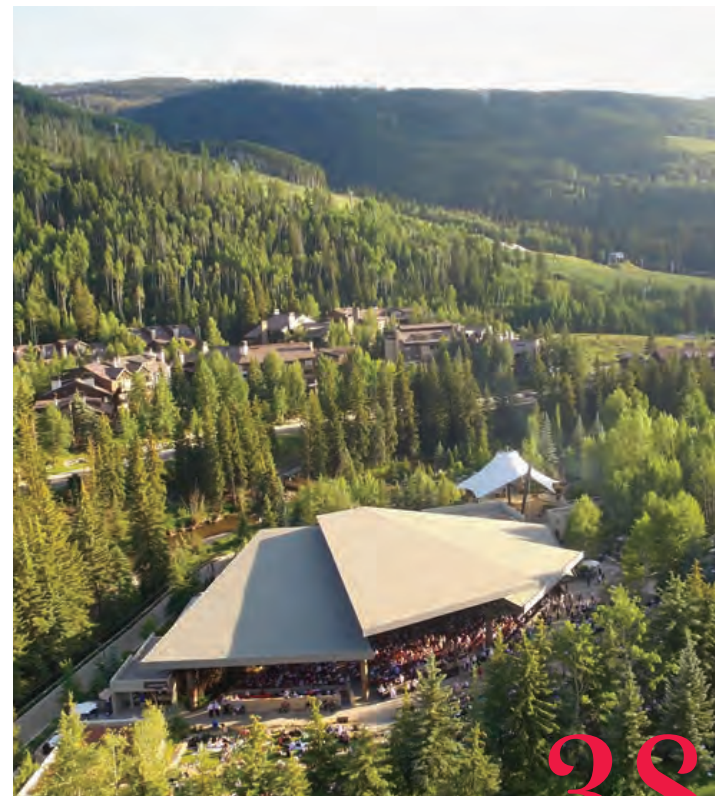


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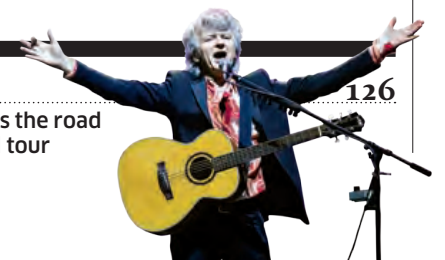
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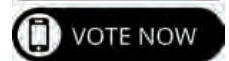
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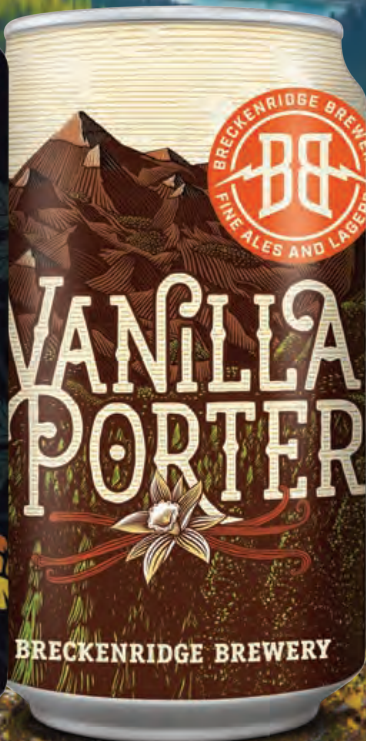
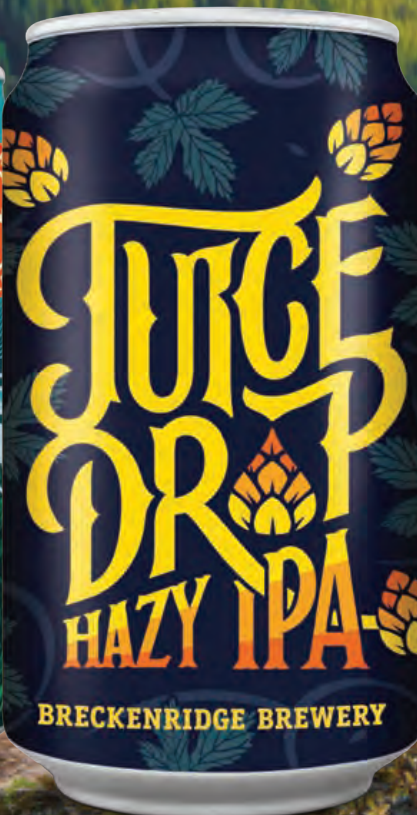
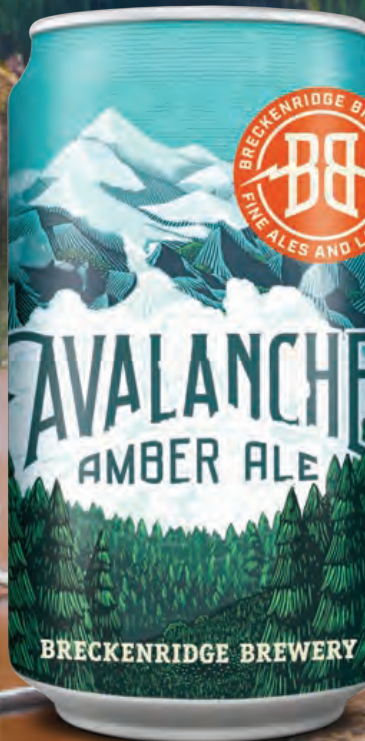




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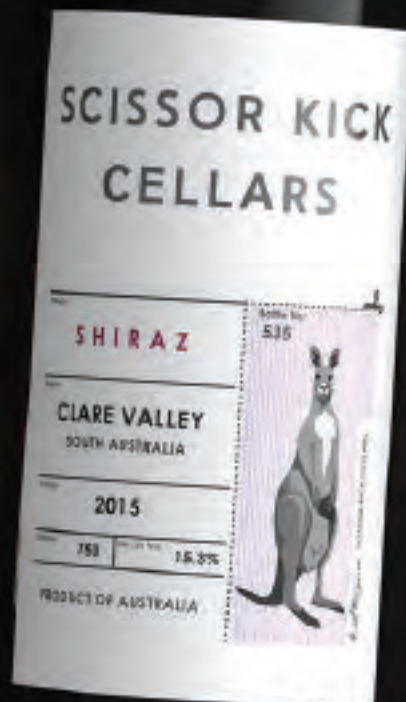


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By Lauren Thorn

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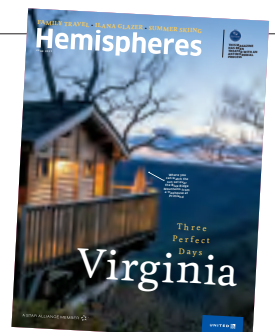
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June is Pride Month, a time for us to celebrate the love we have for each other and recognize the role we all play in affirming everyone's right to be their true self. To reflect on those values, we spoke with two United employees who are members of the LGBTQ+ community so they could share their stories and help us look toward a future we can all be proud of.

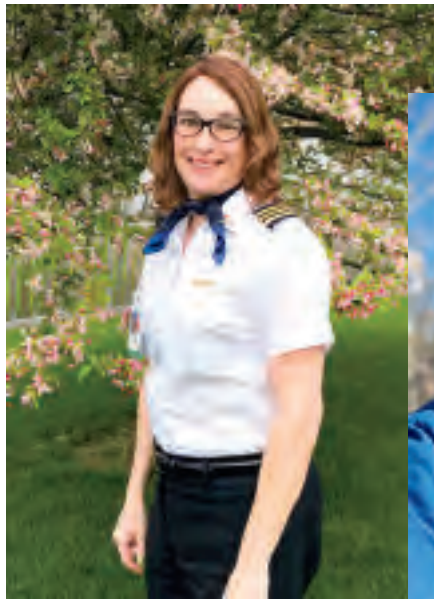
**M. Gallegos** is a Senior Coordinator of operations at Indianapolis International Airport. Growing up in Utah, M. faced discrimination from a young age for his sexuality and Latinx and Native American ancestry. He now volunteers to mentor and support LGBTQ+ youth of color and is an active member of EQUAL, United's resource group for LGBTQ+ employees.

**Maya Tallman** is a First Officer at United who just celebrated her sixth anniversary with the airline after flying for a regional carrier for 16 years. Maya knew from an early age that she didn't identify with her assigned gender and came out to friends and family years ago, but she wasn't ready to transition until recently and is now nearly finished with the transition process. She lives with her wife and kids in the Chicago suburbs.

**In what ways do you feel welcome in the workplace?**

**M.:** For me, it's both in the ways that United uses its voice on LGBTQ+ issues and in how

it puts those ideals into practice by giving employees a voice and creating pathways to advancement. When I entered the aviation industry as a young adult, our flight crews became a second family to me. My experiences demonstrated how aviation is more than an



From left: Maya Tallman and M. Gallegos

# Speaking Out

LGBTQ+ employees share their stories for Pride Month

By Andrew Morrell

industry but also a community of people who understand what it means to take care of others and keep them safe and to help each person pursue their individual journeys. It's not just a saying when we talk about connecting people and uniting the world!

**Maya:** When I got hired at United, I hadn't transitioned

yet and wasn't "out" to my coworkers. I was still in that place where I knew who I was, I was comfortable in my own head, but in professional settings I was still male. I didn't start as a visibly LGBTQ+ person; I became one about two years ago. I could not have asked for or hoped for it to have gone any better. Basically 100 percent of the people I work with, they get it. They understand that this is about the importance of authenticity to one's mental health—the importance of being whole by having that alignment is so important for your mental health.

**What advice do you have for your younger LGBTQ+ colleagues or those just starting their careers in aviation?**

**M.:** Never give up, never be afraid to listen and learn from others, and always lead from the ground up. I am truly inspired by how LGBTQ+ youth keep pushing forward to make the vision bigger and more progressive, to include trans and nonbinary communities of color, to highlight the struggles of undocumented youth, and much more. They realize that it starts from the grassroots, and much of their hopes to create a better world come from asking questions and listening to the most vulnerable. It comes down to always learning. And that kind of persistence and spirit is exactly what leads to success in aviation.

**Maya:** One of my favorite adages is, You cannot be what you cannot see. For LGBTQ+ people, visibility is a very meaningful thing, because many times they are keeping stuff inside, not realizing that it's OK to be this person you are. Growing up in the '70s, '80s, and '90s, I didn't know any trans people.

Having those examples, having the language is, I think, the future. Sometimes you can't articulate what these feelings are, because you don't see it outside of yourself. We have so much more today than we had before, and it's because of these conversations. That's what will get us there, as far as acceptance goes.





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## Iron Grip

Hang out on North America's highest via ferrata, at Colorado's Arapahoe Basin

The via ferrata, Italian for “iron path,” has a long history in Europe. First installed in the Alps in the 19th century, these fixed routes, which consist of steel rungs and cables that climbers clip onto, became famous for their role in the hard-fought World War I campaign between Italy and the Austro-Hungarian Empire in the Dolomites.

Today, in North America, this old mechanism has been put to a far more peaceful use: providing an extra-safe way to access spectacular views of the Rocky Mountains. The latest, set to open as soon as the snow melts this spring, is the via ferrata at Arapahoe Basin Ski Area (“A-Basin”). The 800-foot route, which skirts the Continental Divide on A-Basin’s East Wall, reaches an elevation of nearly 13,000 feet above sea level, making it the highest via ferrata in North America, and the second-highest in the world.

Tony Cammarata, A-Basin’s operations director, began dreaming of installing a via ferrata about a decade ago, after the Ski Area Recreational Opportunity Enhancement Act of 2011 allowed ski resorts to expand their on-mountain offerings. Construction started last summer, and those who brave the wall for a half-day (about four hours) or full-day (around six hours) this summer will be rewarded with a panorama that includes the Gore Range and Dillon Valley. The scenery is stunning—even for those who’ve spied these landscapes during the winter.

“I’ve skied the East Wall for 25 years, but when I first got on this via ferrata route, I found myself in a place that I had never been before,” Cammarata says. “It blew me away. For some people, this is going to be the greatest alpine experience of their lives.” [arapahoebasin.com](http://arapahoebasin.com)



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By Victoria De Silverio



# Timeless Luxury

**A centuries-old plantation house becomes St. Barts' newest resort, the Hotel Barrière Le Carl Gustaf**

Budget accommodations are not a thing on St. Barts. The French-Caribbean island knows only luxury—the chic, born-with-it variety—so, when a new hotel opens, rest assured it will be fabulously on-brand. Perched like an eagle's nest on a steep hillside, the five-star Hotel Barrière Le Carl Gustaf, which debuted last fall, is built around a nearly 200-year-old plantation house that looks out over the superyacht-filled marina of the red-roofed capital, Gustavia. Here are five reasons—not that you needed convincing—to book a stay now.

### Let There Be Light

After Hurricane Irma struck in 2017, France's prestigious Barrière Group, whose portfolio includes Le Majestic in Cannes and Le Normandy in Deauville, rebuilt the beloved Le Carl Gustaf hotel from top to bottom. Acclaimed Parisian design duo Dorothee Boissier and Patrick Gilles adapted the group's lavish style to the island's natural beauty. Inspired by the chiaroscuro of Creole homes, they

use custom-made furnishings, roofs, and pergolas to play with light and shade, to dramatic effect.

### Commodious Quarters

The 21-key property offers a variety of bungalows, suites, and cottages, as well as a stunning five-bedroom villa perfect for families or larger groups. All accommodations feature private terraces, and many have their own plunge pools.

### Rally and Refresh

Want to keep up your exercise routine? There's a fitness center and a yoga studio, or you can have an aqua bike placed in your plunge pool for the most laid-back workout on the planet. If you overdo it anyway, book a treatment at the on-site Diane Barrière Spa, which uses Biologique Recherche skincare products.

### Location, Location

The views may keep you planted on your terrace, but if you venture off property, Le Carl Gustaf is within walking distance of couture shops (Prada, Cartier, Dolce & Gabbana) and restaurants such as Bonito, Eddy's Ghetto, and Le Select, which some claim inspired Jimmy Buffett's "Cheesburger in Paradise." If that bite has you feeling like an old-time sailor, ask the hotel concierge to book you a day on the water with a local catamaran captain.

### Continental Cuisine



Barrière enlisted the legendary Parisian brasserie Fouquet's to open its first Caribbean outpost. Chef Pierre Gagnaire's menu pairs French technique with island flavors—try the green curry risotto, served with freshwater prawns flambéed with rum, or the conch fricassee with ginger-miso soup bouillon. Just down the hill, on the resort's white-sand beach, Greek restaurant and beach club Shellona elevates casual dishes such as fish carpaccio and feta in filo and honey. Sip a flute of Champagne as the sun sets, to the tune of a Euro dance soundtrack, for the perfect ending to your French-Caribbean idyll. *From \$973, hotelsbarriere.com*



**From top:** the view of Gustavia from the hotel; cuisine at Fouquet's; a guest room and private terrace

Fabrice Rambert (view and guest room); Michael Gramm (cuisine)





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A vineyard in the Walla Walla Valley

# Blackbird Fly

American merlot has its moment in Washington's Walla Walla Valley

Merlot is one of the great wine grapes of France. The most widely planted variety in Bordeaux, possibly named for the blackbird (*merle* in French), which is said to have a penchant for the fruit, it's equally suited to cellar-worthy single-varietal wines and to the classic Bordeaux blend. Now, though, La République is getting some serious competition, in the form of exciting bottles from the Pacific Northwest.

Indeed, a tight-knit community of vigneron in the Walla Walla Valley, which straddles the eastern part of the

border between Washington and Oregon, is working to restore the reputation of American merlot, which slid into decline in the 1990s thanks to indiscriminate planting and mass production.

Great wines begin in the vineyard, and great vineyards depend on great soil, which the Walla Walla Valley has in spades. According to Marty Clubb, owner and managing winemaker of L'École No. 41, lava flows and ancient floods blessed the region with a diverse geology that ranges from volcanic rock to flood

sediment and windblown loess. "Each of those soil types creates a different flavor in the fruit," he says, "so merlot from the Pepper Bridge Vineyard is different from merlot from Seven Hills, which is different from merlot from Ferguson."

The valley's climate has its advantages, too. "At 46 degrees latitude, we get so much sunlight—17 hours of sunshine," says Mary Derby, founder and winemaker of DAMA Wines. "We can be 90 to 100 degrees during the day, but in the evening things cool down 30 or 40 degrees. That temperature drop, and the fact that we're in a windy area, makes for a hardy merlot with a thicker skin, which creates a more vibrant quality, and natural tannins and acidity."

When it comes time to harvest, the crucial consideration, according to Jean-François Pellet, winemaker at Pepper Bridge Winery, is "finding the balance between acidity and ripeness. The picking decision, especially for merlot, is extremely critical to the style." The Walla Walla Valley style, says Dave Stephenson, winemaker at Otis Kenyon Wine, "is a larger, bolder wine that gives me freedom to leave it on the skins." That extended skin contact gives the region's wines a delectably satisfying structure that ages beautifully over time.

"At the end of the day, merlot is a noble grape," Stephenson says. "If you treat it as such, you get a noble wine."

**Enjoy a Washing-ton of Wine: To visit Walla Walla, fly into the Tri-Cities Airport in Pasco. You can get there nonstop from Denver or San Francisco. Book at [united.com/pasco](http://united.com/pasco).**

## 4 Walla Walla Valley Merlots to Try

### L'ECOLE NO. 41, 2017 ESTATE

With dark fruit aromas, elegant tannins, and slowly unfolding flavors of blackberry, black cherry, and cassis, this estate merlot is scrumptious from start to finish. \$40, [lecole.com](http://lecole.com)



### DAMA WINES, 2017 SEVEN HILLS VINEYARD

Bright, juicy berry aromas give way to a depth of flavor that calls to mind preserved Italian cherries, while the finish offers a subtle hint of vanilla. \$38, [damawines.com](http://damawines.com)



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## Get Your Sea Legs

At her new Houston restaurant, Xin Chào, *MasterChef* winner Christine Ha gussies up a Ho Chi Minh City street-food classic, tamarind crab, with a kingly crustacean



• At home, Ha, the first blind winner of *MasterChef*, makes this with Gulf Coast blue crabs, but at Xin Chào she and co-executive chef Tony Nguyen use **Alaskan king crab**. “We take the homey flavors of Vietnamese cooking,” she says, “and apply modern techniques and higher-end ingredients.”

• The chef cuts away the shell to expose the **meat** inside “so that you don’t have to tear it apart with your hands.” She admits, however, that she prefers to use her hands: “I’m used to getting down and dirty with my shellfish. Anything goes—that’s the nature of Vietnamese food.”

• To achieve a “light but extra-crispy batter,” Ha fries the crab legs in a mixture of **potato and corn starches**, which both happen to be gluten-free.

• The **tamarind sauce** is a combination of tamarind pulp, palm sugar, and fish sauce. “It’s so addictive, with its balance of sweet, sour, spicy, and salty,” Ha says.

• Ha garnishes the crab with **pickled Fresno chilies**, scallions, and micro-herbs. “The peppers add a little heat, and the scallion and micro-herbs add subtle and delicate flavors,” she says. “It’s a symphony on your palate.” Pair the crab, as Ha does in Vietnam, with a cold beer.





# Everyone for Tennis

A rise in enthusiasm for racquet sports during the pandemic leads hotels and resorts to up their game

Not all hotel amenities have met the same fate during the pandemic. While the indoor pool or the lobby bar may not be the see-and-be-seen spots these days, there's plenty of action elsewhere—in particular, on the tennis court.

Take **The Broadmoor**, a Colorado Springs luxury hotel that reopened to the public in July 2020 and immediately saw its five outdoor courts deluged. Director of tennis Karen Schott, who has worked at the property for 27 years, says she's never seen anything like it: “We were often doing seven days a week and 14-hour days, scrambling to find additional pros to come in.” The hotel responded with a raft of tennis-oriented programming,



reintroducing previously phased-out complimentary round-robin tournaments; selling out new lifestyle events such as Tennis with a Taste of Tuscany, which bundle pasta and prosecco meals with court time; and bringing in former world number one Mats Wilander to lead clinics and invitation-only events this August.

Many other resorts are taking similar steps. A few miles north, **Garden of the Gods Resort and Club** has added myriad



new camps and later this year will unveil three new courts, bringing its total to nine. In the San Diego area, meanwhile, **Rancho Valencia Resort & Spa**—which is already considered one of the world's best tennis hotels thanks to its 14 hard courts and two clay courts—is responding to a crush of renewed enthusiasm for the sport by creating new fitness-minded tennis classes, such as Cardio Tennis and



Live Ball, in which players put both their stamina and racquet control to the test.

The trend has also made its way to the Caribbean. The **Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort Spa and Casino** has long counted two

courts among its amenities, but when the resort recently hired Jerry van Dijk, the founder of Tennis School Aruba Palm Beach, to lead clinics and teach lessons, it saw a 60 percent rise in participation in on-property tennis.

As life begins to inch toward normal, it remains to be seen if tennis will continue its rally, but these resorts have no plans to take a break now. “We’re riding the wave,” Schott says, “and hopefully we can keep it going.”

**Clockwise from above: the courts at Rancho Valencia Resort & Spa; players rally at The Broadmoor; a tennis camp at Garden of the Gods Resort and Club**





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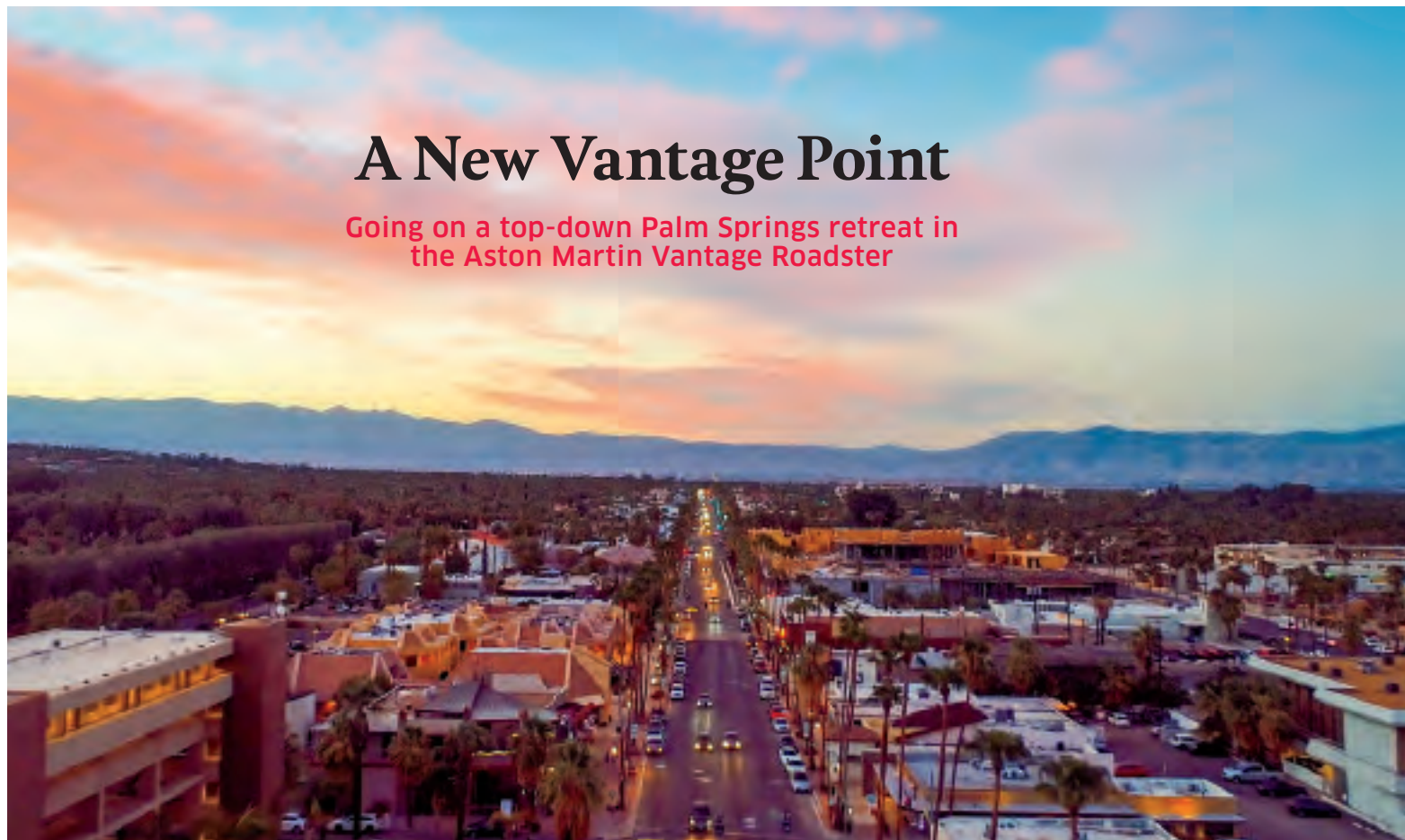
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By Matthew Berger



# A New Vantage Point

Going on a top-down Palm Springs retreat in the Aston Martin Vantage Roadster



It's a time-honored tradition for clean air-seeking Angelenos to head east to Palm Springs. The best way to enjoy the desert sun is in a convertible, of course, and today I'm behind the wheel of an especially gorgeous one: the Aston Martin Vantage Roadster.

Like an oasis, Palm Springs appears almost out of nowhere, between giant mountains, as I approach through the empty desert. The small city has served as a Southern California getaway for a century and was a favorite of Golden Age Hollywood icons, whose contracts stipulated they had to be within driving distance of their movie studios at all times. A steady flow of fabulous visitors resulted in Palm Springs having a large dose of panache, most obviously borne out in its Mid-Century Modern architecture. Almost all of those buildings still stand, and to see a few choice examples I swing through the **Vista Las Palmas** neighborhood, which is home to a collection of Swiss Misses designed by Charles Dubois. The open floor plans, sharp angles, and pitched rooflines

of these structures, all built in the late '50s and early '60s, serve up an airy, luxurious-but-fun aesthetic that 21st-century imitators never seem to truly capture.

Ready for a bite, I pop down the street to **Jake's**, a popular brunch spot where I sit beneath a parasol in the courtyard and fuel up with a soft-shell crab BLT. On the way out, I peep the styles at the adjacent vintage store, **The Frippery**, picking up a floral-print sundress for my wife.



This page, from top: the desert sky above Palm Springs; the soft-shell crab BLT at Jake's; opposite page, from top: the Palm Springs Art Museum; L'Horizon Resort and Spa; a Swiss Miss home in Vista Las Palmas

Visit Palm Springs (all destination photos)





Marital harmony ensured, I'm ready to give myself a gift. With Mount San Jacinto towering over town, I don't need a map to know where the winding roads are. I head up Highway 243, imagining former Palm Springs resident Steve McQueen tailing me on one of his motorcycles. (I doubt he could match the pace of the Aston Martin through the turns.) When I reach the mountain town of Idyllwild, I stop for a pick-me-up at **Higher Grounds Coffee House**; considering that I'm driving a British roadster, I'm obligated to order the London Fog latte.

Perked up, I zip back down the mountain for some visual stimulation at the **Palm Springs Art Museum**. I'm not sure if I'm more impressed by the building—the sleek, Modernist design a creation of renowned local architect E. Stewart Williams—or the surreal works of Helen Lundeborg inside it. Either way, a stroll through the galleries offers a mellow counterpoint to the high-octane hours I've spent on the road.

After a stop to freshen up at my hotel—**L'Horizon Resort and Spa**, a collection of 25 recently remodeled bungalows where Marilyn Monroe often stayed—I'm ready for dinner at **Eight4Nine Restaurant & Lounge**, possibly the trendiest spot in town. The whimsical spaces inside and out are an



influencer's dream, which is probably why the place is packed with beautiful people. The menu's global influences bounce from Asia to the U.K. to Latin America, and I endeavor to try a little bit of everything: a poblano chile relleno,

an ahi tuna poke bowl, and a carrot cake sandwich for dessert. The artistic presentation of the plates reflects the design-oriented ethos that has brought so many to Palm Springs for so long. I know it will bring me back again.

#### THE CAR

### 2021 Aston Martin Vantage Roadster

"Looks are subjective" is a common refrain among car critics, but the Aston Martin Vantage Roadster's sumptuous styling transcends any possible objections. Whether it's in motion or standing still, this vehicle is perfectly graceful. Being that it's a sports car, the "in motion" part takes precedence, and the Aston does not disappoint, packing a 503-horsepower, twin-turbo V8 hand-built by Mercedes-AMG. Torque is always at the ready, and the sonorous exhaust will keep a grin on your face at every moment. The Vantage is equally brilliant taking sweepers at mind-bending speed and ambling through stop-and-go traffic. Even stuck on the 10, the only discomfort you *might* feel is a touch of self-consciousness, since all eyes will be on you. From \$150,086, [astonmartin.com](http://astonmartin.com)





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By Justin Goldman



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and lounge with a private balcony. Water Street, meanwhile, offers scores of restaurants and shops, as well as the Florida Aquarium and Amalie Arena, the home of the Tampa Bay Lightning. Or, you can simply watch it all happen through floor-to-ceiling windows from your Roman and Williams-designed interior. [tampaeditionresidences.com](http://tampaeditionresidences.com)

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By Ellen Carpenter



# Philippe Cousteau Jr.

Get to know your fellow passenger

## What do you do for a living?

First and foremost, I am a storyteller. I have dedicated my life to inspiring people to recognize the power they have to help build a healthy, abundant, and hopeful ocean planet. Books, documentaries, TV series, and education are just platforms for me to tell those stories.

## From diving with sharks to searching for pirate treasure, you've had some epic adventures. Do any stand out?

One of my favorite adventures was a documentary I cohosted with my wife, Ashlan, for Discovery Channel's Shark Week a few years ago. It's called *Nuclear Sharks*, and we went to the Bikini Atoll in the Marshall

Islands, where the United States detonated its largest nuclear device while conducting tests during the 1950s. This bomb, Castle Bravo, exploded with a force 1,000 times more powerful than the bomb the U.S. dropped on Hiroshima. It devastated everything for miles around, but 60 years later we heard rumors that shark populations had recovered, so we set out to see if it was true, and, indeed, sharks swarmed us everywhere. For sharks to thrive, the entire ecosystem has to be healthy. I love that expedition because it reminds us that the ocean is incredibly resilient.

## How do you think travel can help people understand the importance of conservation?

My grandfather Jacques Cousteau always said, "We can only protect what we love, and we can only love what we know." Travel can give us an opportunity to see the beauty of a coral reef for the majesty of a rainforest. Those experiences can open a window for people into nature; they can spark the imagination and inspire people to care about something they may not even have known existed. I founded EarthEcho International 15 years ago, and we have become a leading global environmental education organization working with youth around the world.

Clockwise from top right: Cousteau on a dive; Owen Wilson; Cousteau at Canada's Banff National Park



## What place is at the top of your bucket list?

Without a doubt, Antarctica. It's the most important ecosystem on earth, because it, along with the Arctic, regulates our climate (the poles act like the air conditioning unit of the planet), provides the basis for entire ocean food chains, and is the only continent I have never visited. I'm on a board of global leaders, Antarctica 2020, that's working to establish a large marine protected area around Antarctica that, when it happens, will be the single largest act of conservation in history. On top of that, Ashlan has already been, so I'm a little jealous.

## Who is the most interesting person you've sat next to on a United flight?

I sat next to Owen Wilson on a flight to Hawaii. I am not a big talker on flights, but I couldn't resist saying hello, because the character he played in *The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou* was based on my father. We had a good time as he shared stories about his experiences on the film.

## Which famous person—living or dead—would be your dream seatmate?

That's an easy one: my father. He was killed in a tragic accident six months before I was born. I have spent my life trying to get to know him by following in the footsteps of his work. There is no one I would rather sit next to than him.



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# Labor of Love

Molly Bernard celebrates LGBTQ+ life in *Younger*  
and the new indie film *Milkwater*

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**Origins:** When Molly Bernard's grandfather, a co-founder of the Lee Strasberg Theatre and Film Institute, opened his own studio in Las Vegas, he thought he'd be teaching performers from shows on the Strip. Instead, his students were taxi drivers, schoolteachers, and his precocious granddaughter. "I ended up learning how to read in his acting class," Bernard recalls. "From the time I was 6, it was very clear to me that acting was the love of my life." Bernard would go on to complete her MFA at the Yale School of Drama, and not long afterward she was picking up parts in such shows as *Transparent* and *Chicago Med*.

**Role Model:** TV audiences will know Bernard best as the eclectic publicist Lauren in *Younger*, which wraps up its seven-season run this month on Paramount+. That role gave Bernard the opportunity to work with one of her heroes, Sutton Foster. "I saw Sutton [on stage] in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* as a child, and she was my idol," she says. "I wrote her fan mail, and she wrote me back and signed this beautiful headshot that said, 'Follow your dreams, Molly, XOXO Sutton Foster.' Now if we have a flub on set, she'll be like, 'Just follow your dreams, Molly, XOXO Sutton Foster.' It's been our little inside joke for seven years."

**Personal Connection:** Aside from the bonds she made with her castmates on *Younger*, Bernard, who identifies as queer, says she's grateful to have had the opportunity to portray one of the first pansexual characters to appear on TV. "Lauren's openly queer and wholeheartedly loves herself, and her sexuality isn't tokenized," she says. "I think that kind of representation is really important." Playing such a confident, unabashed character, Bernard adds, helped her with her own journey. "Some symbiosis happened, and Lauren definitely gave me the courage to be like, 'Actually, I'm a queer person.'"

**Family Matters:** Bernard can now be seen in her first lead role, in *Milkwater*, a film in which she plays a rudderless 20-something who serves as surrogate for an older gay man who wants to have a child. "It's kind of a teaching moment for the folks who see it," says Bernard, who also executive-produced. "It helps people understand how hard it is to begin queer families. I love that people are drawn to me for projects that tell queer stories." She also just wrapped shooting an Amazon Studios film, *Master*, directed by Mariama Diallo. "I'm excited to continue to work on projects that empower women," she says, "and [to keep] soaring with my ladies."







# Instrumental Surroundings

Take in classical music and mountain scenery at these three summer festivals

By Thomas May



While artists and venues have tried to make due with virtual performances over the past year, nothing can replace the shared thrill of an in-person concert. That goes not only for pop stars but for orchestras. With music festivals set to make a comeback this summer, here are three orchestral concert series that send world-class musicians onto stages with spectacular Rocky Mountain backdrops.

## 📍 Bravo! Vail Music Festival



Set at the base of Vail's ski runs, the open-air Gerald R. Ford Amphitheater provides a beautiful setting for the Bravo! Vail Music Festival. This year, four first-class orchestras—Academy of St Martin in the Fields (June 24–27), the Dallas Symphony Orchestra (June 30–July 5), the Philadelphia Orchestra (July 9–17), and the New York Philharmonic (July 21–28)—will perform works by composers ranging from Mozart to Florence

Price and Valerie Coleman (whose *Seven O'Clock Shout* was commissioned by the Philadelphia Orchestra to honor front-line workers). Festival artistic director Anne-Marie McDermott says this year's edition is "the one we are maybe most grateful for in our lifetime." June 24–August 4, [bravovail.org](http://bravovail.org)

## 📍 Grand Teton Music Festival

Returning for its 60th season, the Grand Teton Music Festival once again graces Jackson Hole, Wyoming, right next to Grand Teton National Park. This idyllic summer retreat attracts

nearly 200 top musicians from around the country, led by internationally renowned music director Sir Donald Runnicles. The first week of concerts for this year's "Welcome Home" season—including "Film Music Spectacular" and "Patriotic Pops"—will be held outside, in downtown Jackson's Center for the Arts Park, before the orchestra begins six weeks of chamber music performances at Teton Village's 750-seat, all-wooden Walk Festival Hall, which has been updated with a state-of-the-art air-filtration system. July 2–August 21, [gtmf.org](http://gtmf.org)

## 📍 Sun Valley Music Festival

Famous for attracting Hollywood royalty (Ernest Hemingway, Clint Eastwood, Arnold Schwarzenegger), Sun Valley, Idaho, is also home to the largest admission-free classical music festival in the U.S. An ensemble of more than 100 orchestral pros comes together from around the country, led by veteran music director Alasdair Neale, to perform symphony and chamber concerts at the outdoor Sun Valley Pavilion. This summer's program includes standard masterpieces as well as the world premiere of *Five Freedom Songs*, a reflection on the legacy of the African-American spiritual by violinist and composer Jessie Montgomery. July 26–August 19, [svmusicfestival.org](http://svmusicfestival.org)





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# Future Cities

The pandemic changed what many of us want from our cities, but Gehl's Helle Søholt has had the answers all along

By Laura Itzkowitz

Every day, 1.5 million people around the world move to urban areas, according to *The Ideal City*, a book from the Ikea research and design lab SPACE10. The past year, of course, has upended both the professional and personal sides of city life, but it has also given us a chance to reflect on how to create that ideal city—something that Gehl, a Copenhagen-based urban strategy and design firm founded by Jan Gehl and Helle Søholt, has been doing for years.

Gehl, a longtime professor at the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts School of Architecture, and Søholt, a former student, started the firm in 2000, when Søholt was just 28. One of their guiding principles was to design cities that would work better for their residents. “We have what we call a ‘people first’ approach to planning,” explains Søholt, who is now CEO. (Gehl, 84, retired from his active partner role in 2011 but continues to serve as a senior advisor.) “That really means exploring what needs people have in cities and communities as a beginning phase for understanding how to develop an area and where to put our investments.” The most common needs, she

continues, are “access to greenery, having access to high-quality space, and feeling that they are prioritized at an equal level to the people in cars.”

Gehl now has offices in Copenhagen, San Francisco, and New York, and the firm has tackled projects all around the world. Søholt drew inspiration from her hometown of Copenhagen—which has numerous public parks and some of the best pedestrian and cycling infrastructure in the world—when working with former New York City mayor Michael Bloomberg to conceptualize a series of pedestrianized plazas along the Broadway corridor. That network has since expanded to include more than 80 public plazas throughout the city. Gehl also engineered the redesign of San Francisco’s Market Street, starting with a research phase that led to the city banning private vehicles on its most prominent commercial artery. In Argentina, meanwhile, the firm worked with the city of Buenos Aires to create a blueprint for a strategic, people-centric 10-year development plan known as Roadmap 2027.

**This page:**  
Helle Søholt;  
**opposite page:**  
a redesigned  
Market Street in  
San Francisco





From top: a more pedestrian-friendly Times Square in New York; Barrio 31, a redeveloped slum in Buenos Aires; Gehl's home base, Copenhagen

Today, the firm is focused on adapting urban living to the post-COVID landscape. Unsurprisingly, that involves more people getting outside. Gehl conducted a series of public life surveys in four Danish cities and found a 35 percent increase in outdoor activities. “This is a very positive trend,” Søholt says. “People actually seem to be more physically active, seeking community interaction more, talking more with people outside, being more attentive to the needs of their neighbors.” She sees this as an early indicator of a movement toward 24-hour neighborhoods and “15-minute cities,” i.e., urban areas where people can live, work, enjoy leisure time, and meet their basic needs—all within the radius of a 15-minute walk.

The idea of 15-minute cities may seem more akin to quaint small-town life than to the realities of the modern metropolis, but in the wake of the pandemic, Søholt believes that we need to make our cities more compact, more sustainable, more accessible, safer, and healthier for all. COVID may have brought these ideas into the spotlight, but they’re themes that Søholt has been researching for decades. And while these public-leaving initiatives may all seem quite, um, Scandinavian, she rejects any notion of a regional superiority complex.

“Our mission is not to Copenhagenize the world,” she says. “In fact, I don’t like the term at all. However, it is our intention and purpose to humanize the world and to make visible the life of communities and the needs of people.”



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## In Good Shape

[Athleta CEO Mary Beth Laughton balances pragmatism for the present with innovation for the future](#)

By Sahar Khan • Illustration by Lucie Birant

Mary Beth Laughton took over as president and CEO of Athleta five months before COVID-19 hit. “It was definitely a challenge, but I realized that it was also an opportunity for me to push myself as a leader,” says Laughton, who previously served in executive positions at Sephora and Nike. The laser-focused Harvard Business School grad in turn pushed the women’s athleisure brand, which comprises 5,800 employees and more than 200 stores, to become the only division of Gap Inc. to report an overall increase in revenue in 2020. (Athleta hit more than \$1 billion in sales, up from \$978 million in 2019.) While the athleisure industry as a whole boomed during the pandemic, the company’s success wasn’t guaranteed. “I had to make some tough calls pretty quickly, on everything from our customer and employee experiences to what do we do with the inventory sitting in our stores to how do we evolve our creative processes when everyone’s working from home,” Laughton says. “We were navigating uncharted territory.”

**On guiding Athleta through the pandemic:** “I had to learn to balance being in triage mode and operational mode with continuing to innovate for the future and for the customer. We had to change gears and explicitly do all of

those things, because it was easy to just stay in triage mode. When our stores closed, we ramped up our online business. We ensured we had the inventory we needed, an attractive shipping offer, and good customer service to support more online demand. We brought breathable masks to the market within 90 days of the start of the pandemic, because we knew our customers needed those right away. A little later, we launched a sleep collection, because we saw that our customers were searching more than ever for sleep on our website.”

**On introducing extended sizing:** “In January, we launched inclusive sizing: 350 styles [now 500, ranging from xxs to 3x, plus petite and tall] in all of our stores as well as online. We wanted to do this in a way that allowed customers of all sizes to have the same experience. We added, for instance, 1X to 3X mannequins in all of our stores. We don’t have a separate rack that’s 1X to 3X; every product has all the sizes on the same units. We also did a store-training certification for all store employees to guide them in how to best assist and speak to our inclusive-sizing customers. [We’ve had] customers come into the stores and break down in tears because they haven’t ever had this offering in this integrated way.”

**On building community:** “One thing that was core to our experience during the pandemic was recognizing that customers were craving authentic connection. We were able to offer things like live-streaming community events where thousands of women came together. They could work out together, they could talk to each other about relevant topics, they could hear from strong women like [six-time Olympic gold medalist] Allyson Felix and [best-selling author and activist] Glennon Doyle. It goes back to the importance of relentlessly focusing on your customer. The pandemic showed us that’s more critical than ever.”

**On the future of athleisurewear:** “[The pandemic] debunked the myth that you can’t look stylish when you’re comfortable. As the pandemic evolves and we get back to normal life, people are going to be excited to get dressed up a bit more again and [will want] versatile products. We see a lot of customers who love to wear our comfortable joggers, for instance, with a stylish wrap or a sweater. Mixing and matching that performance product with a performance-lifestyle product is what customers are going to love to do when they go back to the workplace.”





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# Magic from the Mundane

You may not be in your dream job,  
but hard work and realistic expectations  
can help you make the most of it

By Tim Storey • Illustration by Martín Elfman

During my life-coaching sessions, job satisfaction is an area where I find a remarkable degree of consistency: Most people aren't happy in their jobs. That's fascinating to me, because I think

it's such a large divergence from how we feel when we start a new job. We go in with so much hope, such high expectations. In fact, we start out with magical thinking: "Yes! This job is going to be the

thing that makes me happy. It is going to fulfill my needs, utilize my talents, and keep me interested and energized—as opposed to that job I just left."

So what happens? We settle into a routine. Our unrealistic expectations aren't met. We start getting bored and frustrated. Pretty soon we're checking our watch every hour, counting down the minutes until the workday is over. We're stuck in the mundane. Again.

It doesn't have to be this way, though. A friend of mine, an award-winning journalist, told me an instructive story from the beginning of his career. While attending college at an Ivy League school, he was giddy when he got a summer internship at a newspaper in his medium-size hometown—the same paper he used to deliver as a boy. He showed up on the first day enthusiastic and eager to show his new editors what he could do. At orientation, he met the other intern who would be working alongside him. She attended a different Ivy League school, and he noticed right away that she was not happy to be there. He learned that several of her friends had landed internships at *The Wall Street Journal* but that the *Journal* had turned her down. She was disappointed to be spending the summer at a smaller paper, one she considered beneath her.

Throughout the course of the summer, this young woman exuded arrogance, giving every editor the impression that she was slumming. The editors, offended, made fun of her behind her back. At the same time, my friend worked hard to make a great impression, in the process getting several plum assignments and even a couple of front-page bylines. Although he was tempted at times to tell his fellow intern she was messing up, he kept his comments to himself. He also became fairly close to the editor in chief, whose family owned a chain of papers across the country.

Upon graduating the following spring, my friend got another internship at a well-respected newspaper in a different part of the country. After six months, he earned a staff job, but without the requisite raise. My friend grew frustrated and longed to return home. One day, he called the editor in chief at his hometown newspaper. Following



some small talk, he dropped the hint that he really wished he had a job that paid more. Within a few hours, this editor had made several phone calls that resulted in my friend getting a job at one of the top newspapers in his home state, in the town next to where his parents lived.

Three decades later, my friend still carries the lesson of that internship—how having the right mind-set can help us excel in a situation that might seem mundane, and how dedicating ourselves to the task at hand can help us avoid frustration, and can even lead to future opportunities. This can be true no matter what the job is, as long as we properly manage expectations. The job you're in today, whether you're behind the counter at Taco Bell or packing boxes at an Amazon warehouse, doesn't have to live up to your magical hopes or lead to instant prosperity; it can simply be the first rung on your ladder to success.

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#### THE READ

For homeless people, lacking something that most of us take for granted—say, access to a haircut—can be a huge obstacle to getting back on their feet. London hair stylist Joshua Coombes took this notion to heart, and in 2015 he took to the streets to offer trims to those in need. Learn about his work and the #DoSomethingForNothing online movement in the new book *Do Something for Nothing*, out now from Akashic Books. [akashicbooks.com](http://akashicbooks.com)

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# Virginia



This page: a lovely loaf of bread from MarieBette in Charlottesville; opposite page: rolling hills at RdV Vineyards



Without question, the best tourism slogan belonging to any state is “Virginia is for lovers.” When it was originally conceived, the idea was to insert a word—history, beach, nature—before “lover,” but by the time the slogan debuted, in a 1969 issue of *Modern Bride*, the modifiers were deemed unnecessary: Virginia was for lovers of all. Adventurers, history buffs, and foodies have fallen hard for the commonwealth, and most recently it has become a destination for wine lovers. Thomas Jefferson planted sangiovese vines at Monticello, and many Virginians since have tried their hand at viticulture. Those efforts are now bearing fruit. Today, the state is dotted with world-class wineries, from the gentle terrain of horse country just outside D.C. to the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. There’s never been a better time to raise a glass.

By Joshua David Stein • Photography by Jennifer Chase



**DAY**

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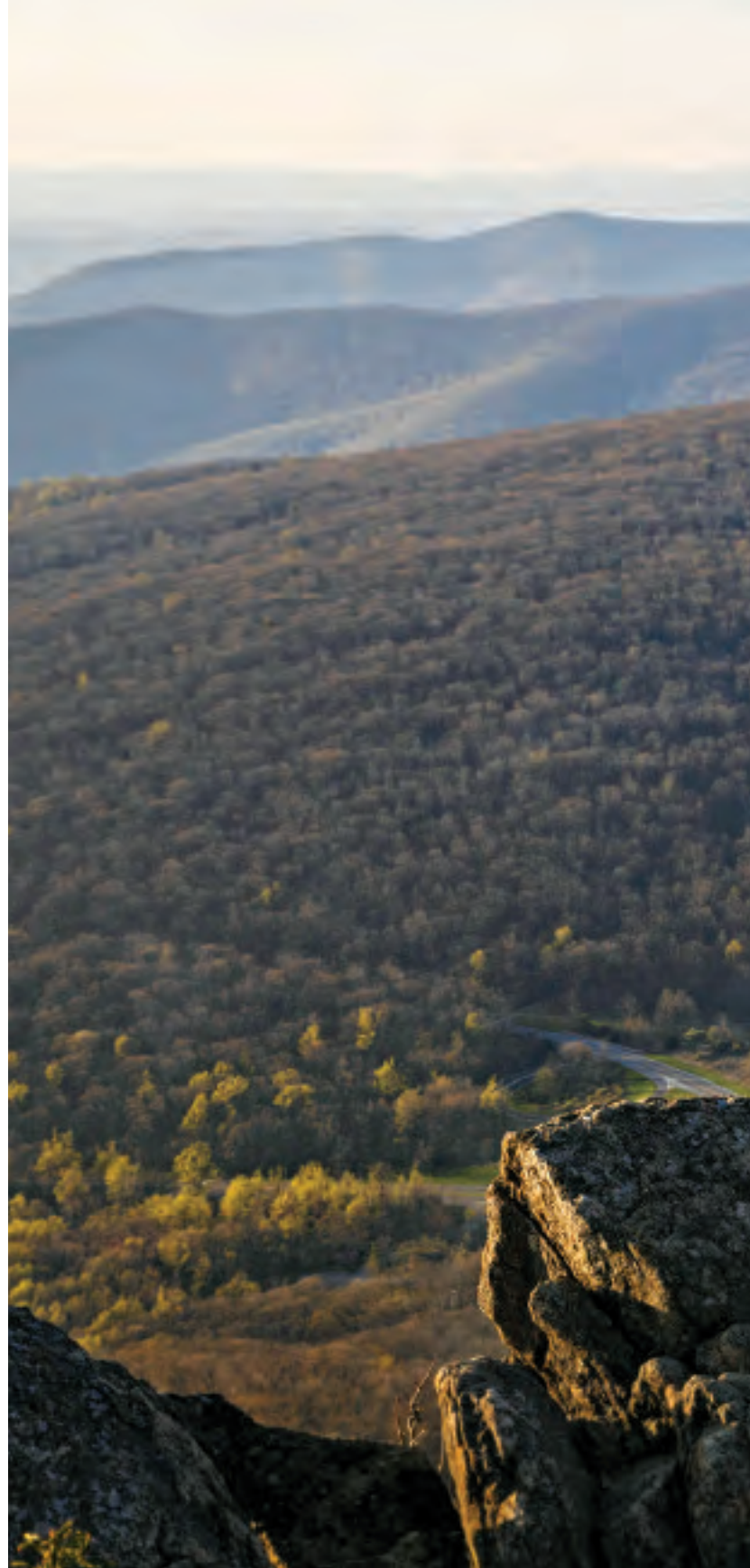
## Wine and windswept peaks outside the nation's capital

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I wake up at **Salamander Resort & Spa** to the sound of hounds baying in the nearby woods. Pity the fox, I think, even knowing that the hunts here are just chases. (Still stressful, though.) It's hard to believe I'm just an hour from D.C.; Virginia's horse country feels centuries and fathoms away from the hustle of the capital. Opened in Middleburg in 2013 by BET cofounder Sheila C. Johnson, Salamander represents, to my mind at least, a new type of Southern luxury, one that is inclusive and doesn't rely on antebellum

nostalgia. Thankfully, this luxury continues to include biscuits. I have a couple of them, topped with honey and housemade preserves, at the resort's main restaurant, **Harrimans Virginia Piedmont Grill**, to fortify myself for a hunt of my own—for the future of Virginia wine.

Soon I'm in Leesburg, at **Casanel Vineyards and Winery**, looking out onto a gentle valley combed neatly with grapevines. The sun peeks over the **Catoctin Ridge**, in the foothills of the **Blue Ridge Mountains**, shining its light on a landscape that's famous for its beauty. The fruit of the



**Right:** the view from a hiking trail in Shenandoah National Park





region's vines, sadly, hasn't always enjoyed the same level of esteem; although viticulture has a long history in Virginia—the first vines here were planted in the early 17th century by Jamestown settlers—a loose regulatory environment and a proliferation of what are dismissively

referred to as wedding wineries have led to Virginia wine sometimes being maligned as unsophisticated. Happily, that's changing, thanks to wineries such as Casanel, which grow their own grapes and focus on quality.

Casanel, which was founded in 2006 by Casey and Nelson

(hence, Casanel) DeSouza, sets itself a particularly daunting task, as it's one of the few wineries to champion Norton, one of Virginia's native grapes. A gold medal winner at the 1873 Vienna World's Fair, the varietal later fell into disrepute, ending up with a reputation for producing a fruity, somewhat

muddy sweet wine. Here, though, it's delicious. I try the delicately floral Red Spark and the buttery, Bordeaux-like N2, made with 100 percent Norton grapes, and stock up on a few bottles before I hit the road.

There are two pro tips for wine tasting in Virginia (or





Clockwise from above: inside the winery at RdV Vineyards; the library at Salamander Resort & Spa; lunch at Knead Wine



anywhere, really). The first: spit. The second: remain well fed. Fortunately, my drive takes me back through Middleburg, where I stop at **Knead Wine**, a pizza-and-wine shop that Jarad Slipp and Allie Nault opened last summer. I dig into the Gibbons—a pie piled high with Hobbs Country bacon, roasted piquillo peppers, tomato, chile, and pecorino—and wash it down with a Thibaut-Janisson Extra Brut, made with 100 percent chardonnay from a winery just outside Charlottesville.

My next stop is **RdV Vineyards**, named for its owner, a former U.S. Marine named Rutger de Vink who spent two years petitioning the sheep farmer who owned the land, on the southerly side of Lost Mountain, to sell it to him. De Vink suspected that this granite slope could

*“De Vink suspected that this granite slope could produce world-class wines; he was right.”*

produce world-class wines; he was right, and he’s now one of the most lauded winemakers in the state. Guests at the appointment-only winery are greeted with a flute of Dom Pérignon before they taste RdV’s Bordeaux-style blends, *Rendezvous* and *Lost Mountain*. The latter, in particular, is a real standout: It’s lively yet restrained, buttery and rich but also structured, characteristics resulting from the hardy vine’s hunt for nutrients.

Despite my best efforts, I’m feeling sluggish and full. Fortuitously, the same mountain terrain that’s home to so many of Virginia’s great vineyards offers some stellar hiking, too. **Shenandoah National Park** spans 200,000 acres along the Blue Ridge Mountains. When I was a kid, my mom, sister, and I would come down here to hike for what seemed like miles and miles along the trails that flow from Skyline Drive. (My mother recently informed me our longest walk was 2 miles, but I’m sticking to my story.) Today, I go for a jaunt up a jagged mountain called **Mary’s Rock**. The lichen-covered boulders, the rustling of sassafras trees, and the calls of warblers and jays take me right back to my childhood—and this time the march isn’t forced.





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Clockwise from above: a dining table at The Inn at Little Washington; chef Patrick O'Connell; a heart of palm "crabcake"

After 90 minutes of brisk climbing, I reach the 3,514 foot peak and look out over a carpet of trees fading into mist. A peregrine falcon circles just beyond my fingertips. Rejuvenated, I head back down, bursting with a newfound appetite and zest.

Thank goodness, because it's time for dinner at **The Inn at Little Washington**, Patrick O'Connell's small-town temple to high gastronomy. The three-Michelin-starred restaurant, which O'Connell opened in a former garage in 1978, was the subject of a PBS documentary last year, and in 2021 it became the first restaurant in the U.S. to receive a Michelin Green Star for sustainability. But those plaudits don't fully capture the vibe of a place that has a farm where two llamas live, protecting the sheep from coyotes, and a gazebo with a chandelier

*"The farm has a gazebo with a chandelier and a stained-glass door—for the chickens."*

and a stained-glass door—for the chickens. The gesture is at once beautiful and absurd, luxurious and cheeky.

The same can be said of the entire experience at the Inn—equal parts whimsy and sterling. In the bathrooms, a Dan Aykroyd SNL sketch, "The French Chef," plays on repeat from hidden speakers. "We don't take ourselves too seriously," says O'Connell, standing in his signature spotted chef's pants before a glimmering copper kitchen. "We want you to have fun."

There are two tasting menus available: The Gastronomer's Menu (seven courses laden with foie-gras confit, morels, and more) and a vegetarian option, The Good Earth. Looking for lightness, I choose the latter and am happily swept away by a tide of beurre blanc. In O'Connell's hands, I don't miss the meat. A "crabcake" made with heart of palm and served with tomato tartare and lemon-dill remoulade does nearby Maryland proud. A few sweet ravioli, purses of potato, leek, and mascarpone, are finished with spring peas, artichokes, and a burst of lemon essence. The earth is indeed good.

It's dark by the time I make it out of the Inn. I spy a light flickering in the distance. It may be a star—but I like to think it's the chandelier in the chicken gazebo, keeping the birds warm at night.





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## Ghosts of the past and promises of the future in Charlottesville

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**M**y alarm, not the hounds, wakes me this morning. It's a two-hour drive to Charlottesville, but by dint of coffee and a heavy foot, it's still early when I arrive. Eager to dive into this famously food-driven city, I pop into **MarieBette**, a bakery owned by couple Jason Becton and Patrick Evans that offers spins on hipster pastries, including a Cronut-adjacent bronut, a brioche feuilletée, and a pretzel croissant. I take a box of bronuts and walk down



cherry tree-lined streets to the **IX Art Park Farmers Market**, manna for the hungry.

Charlottesville is a city midstride in its own reinvention, and many of the most exciting developments are blossoming in the bones of old buildings. The farmers market is an outdoor affair on the grounds of what was once a textile factory and the largest private employer in the town, Frank Ix & Sons. In 1999, after the plant shut down, a Munich-born businessman named Ludwig Kuttner bought it and made it the centerpiece of a 17-acre development with retail, office, and art spaces, including a sculpture garden, where today scores of vendors man their tents. If anything

speaks to Charlottesville's diverse future, it's this market. An Afghan vendor sells rice pilau while her husband, a tailor, offers alterations. Kombucha makers, bakers, and farmers all jockey for foot traffic. I may have just eaten a bronut, but, as someone whose hunger for biscuits shall never be quenched, I sidle up to **Hog Haven Farm** for a B-and-P sandwich: smoked bacon (B) and pimento cheese (P) along with a free-range egg and tomato aioli.

That's when I see a man in a chicken suit. Turns out it's Ludwig Kuttner himself. He once wore the suit at Burning Man, he tells me, which is where he came up with the idea for the IX Art Park. "Charlottesville

This spread, clockwise from top: immersive art at The Looking Glass; Monticello; MarieBette owners Patrick Evans and Jason Becton





didn't really have a contemporary arts center," Kuttner explains, "so we thought, Why not create one?" Susan Krischel, a former assistant D.A. in New York and now a

curator and Kuttner's partner, escorts me inside an immersive space called **The Looking Glass**. Still clutching half my biscuit, I'm astonished by the array of work: a gnome house made of hand-felted wool, a garden of straw goddesses, a 50-foot-long caterpillar. I emerge half-dazed into the blinding light, mind wobbly, a bit like Alice. That is, I gather, the point.

Charlottesville rests in the shadow of Virginia's most famous son, Thomas Jefferson, whose home, **Monticello**, is practically required viewing. High on a hill, the estate, long familiar from the back of a nickel, doesn't disappoint for its beauty. Jefferson, a ninja-level architectural tinkerer,

*"I emerge half-dazed into the light, mind wobbly, a bit like Alice. That is, I gather, the point."*

was inspired by Roman villas and the Hotel de Salm in Paris. At the same time, the dark side of the plantation's past is not ignored; over the past few decades, the foundation that runs Monticello has been excavating Mulberry Row, a long lane along which many of Jefferson's 400 enslaved African American laborers lived and died. Also readily visible

is the tiny, rough-hewn cabin that was home to the family of Sally Hemings, the enslaved woman with whom Jefferson is thought to have had six children. A little ways from the main house, a placard marks the former nailery, where boys about the age of my 10-year-old son toiled from sunup to sundown. Every half hour, a volunteer gives a presentation on slavery, holding up enlarged photocopies of the meticulous records Jefferson kept of humans sold and bought. I carry their names with me from the hillside.

It's a short drive from there to the **Jefferson School African American Heritage Center**. The pretty brick building sits next to what was once







This page, from above: gnocchi at Palladio; Barboursville Vineyards winemaker Luca Paschina; opposite page: a quiet corner at The Clifton

Vinegar Hill, a middle-class African American neighborhood that flourished from just after the Civil War until 1965, when it was razed for “urban renewal.” Executive director Dr. Andrea Douglas leads me on a tour. “For many years,” she tells me, “this building was the only place a Black child could get a high school education in Charlottesville.” One room is

dedicated to the history of the segregated school. The other is chock-a-block with works from local artists, including a lively triptych of gamblers by Frank Walker, who not only attended Jefferson Elementary School but still lives across the street, and a sculpture by his brother Bo Walker, whose bronze sculpture of Martin Luther King Jr. I’ve passed countless

times on walks through Brooklyn College, near my home.

Next, I head to another transformed space—**The Wool Factory**, where reams of gray wool flannel were once made for the post office and military. It’s now home to Broadcloth, a top-notch restaurant from chef Tucker Yoder; Selvedge Brewing; and The Workshop, a wine-and-coffee spot where I order a macchiato and scan the bottles of red for clues about my next stop.

Jefferson dreamed of the Virginia hills covered in vines, and **Barboursville Vineyards**, one of the commonwealth’s best wineries, embodies that fantasy. Gianni and Silvana Zonin, sixth-generation winemakers from Veneto, Italy, founded the winery in 1976, and it feels like a transplant from their native land. The winemaker, Luca Paschina, looks every bit the Italian farmer in his patchwork

## GO FOR THE GOLD

Virginia’s wine scene has long been driven by local wine boards, meaning a way-seeking oenophile was at the mercy of scores of competing map makers and more trails than Mordor. The new **Gold Medal Wine Trail**, launched in March, collects the best of the best. Each of the 46 wineries, meaderies, and cideries on the trail are

gold-medal winners from the 2021 Virginia Wineries Association Governor’s Cup Competition. You’ll find well-known names, including **Barboursville** (this year’s top winner, pictured) and **King Family Vineyards**, as well as fast-rising newcomers such as **Carriage House Wineworks** in Waterford and **Lost Boy Cider** in Alexandria. [virginiawine.org](http://virginiawine.org)



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*“Winemaker Luca Paschina looks every bit the Italian farmer in his newsboy cap and quilted vest.”*

newsboy cap and quilted vest. The sun slants sideways on the land, and the villa has a rosy glow. Paschina, who trained in Piemonte among the crus of Barolo and Barbaresco, tells me he loves how freewheeling Virginia is. “You can grow anything you want,” he says, sipping a minerally fiano, an Italian variety grown on the East Coast for the first time in 2015. “There are no rules.”

With that, he leads me into **Palladio**, the winery’s fine-dining restaurant, which opened nearly a quarter century ago. The menu draws

on Italy for inspiration but stays local for ingredients. For instance, the surprisingly light pillows of gnocchi are accompanied by locally foraged fiddlehead ferns and mushrooms. The roasted red beet soup—a sort of Italianate borscht—comes with sunchokes grown in the estate’s garden. Three of Barboursville’s most sought-after wines keep me company: Octagon, a Bordeaux blend named after Jefferson’s favorite shape; a crisp Vermentino, as nice as anything poured seaside in Liguria; and, as an accompaniment to the tiramisu, the sweet Paxxito, made from air-dried grapes.

By the time I check in at **The Clifton**, the elegant Colonial building is lit up against the night sky. I want to linger with a nightcap by the library fireplace, but my bed beckons, and I cannot resist its call.



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## From city to town to country to sky along the Blue Ridge Parkway

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Clockwise from top: the lodge at Primland; bric-a-brac at Black Dog Salvage; breakfast at Scratch Biscuit Co.



Crisp sunlight streams through the cherry tree branches and into my eyes. I groan and try to dig deeper into my pillow, but I have a long journey ahead of me, to **Primland**—a sprawling country estate in the commonwealth's southwest corner—and time is already fleeting.

Part of the appeal of Primland is Primland itself, an estate larger than Manhattan bought in the 1970s by French-Swiss billionaire Didier Primat and now run by his



family. There are miles of trails to hike, rounds of golf to play, and turkeys to shoot—if I want. But I'm just as excited about the getting there, because Primland is just 13 miles from the **Blue Ridge Parkway**, one of America's most beautiful roads. Like Skyline Drive, the BRP was hewn in the 1930s by the Civilian Conservation Corps and the Works Progress Administration, and it cuts through some of the great forests of America, gilded on either side by endless wildflowers. The route snakes 469

miles, starting where Skyline Drive ends in Shenandoah and traveling all the way to the Smoky Mountains in North Carolina—and I have a significant chunk to cover today.

But, of course, a man has to eat. I make it two hours on just a bit of leftover bronut, but when I reach Roanoke I put another notch in my biscuit belt at **Scratch Biscuit Co.** I amble down Memorial Avenue while devouring my Jezebel sandwich (pimento cheese and ham—who could ask for anything more?) and





make a quick stop to browse the warehouse shelves at **Black Dog Salvage**. The store is stuffed with everything from piano keys and old stereos to neon lights and glass doors, but mindful of my tiny Brooklyn apartment I leave with only a (new) dish towel.

From its inception in the early 1930s, the Blue Ridge Parkway was meant as both park and road. Its designer, Stanley Abbott, wasn't an engineer but a landscape architect, and he intended the parkway to be driven

at low speeds. Tucked into the driver's seat of a powerful new Lexus ES 250 F Sport AWD, it's hard for me not get the zoomies, but I let the engine simply purr as I tool along. There are 168 bridges, 26 tunnels, and more than 260 overlooks along the route. This section weaves past the ominously named Purgatory Mountain and the hardscrabble cabins atop the Peaks of Otter, both of which remind me of how proximate hardship has been in these parts. But also, looking out onto



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Clockwise from left: the Blue Ridge Parkway; the observatory at Primland; inside one of Primland's treehouses



Appalachia unfolding below, of the beauty still here.

I make it to the front gate of Primland by midday, but I don't climb the steep hill to the lodge just yet. The road, a narrow, hairpin-turning affair called Didier Primat Parkway, curls above **Meadows of Dan**, which I just have to see for myself. The name makes me chuckle, like the Chronicles of Kevin or the Epic of Melissa, but "Dan" is the river here, and, it turns out, the meadows that surround it are fittingly epic.

I arrive back at the resort in time to throw my bags down at the tastefully appointed main lodge before hightailing it out again for a ride on an RTV, a sort of glorified off-road golf cart, one of the seemingly endless array of gentlemanly and gentlewomanly activities offered. My guide, Carlton,

and I wend our way through the forest as if on a slow-motion roller-coaster. In woods that seem totally unpeopled, he points out mounds of stone that were once chimneys and, by crystalline creeks, the foundation of what was once a grist mill. The sun, though, is already turning loblolly pines into long

*"The road cuts through some of the great forests of America, gilded on either side by endless wildflowers."*

shadows, so we head back to the lodge, leaving thousands of acres untapped.

It's late by the time I dine on a perfectly roasted pork porterhouse from nearby Tobaccoville, North Carolina, on the patio at Elements, the resort's farm-to-table restaurant. From the newly built cellar comes a bottle of petit manseng from Monticello winemaker Michael Shaps. I sip slowly, enjoying a moment to contemplate the history of this land and this state.

At precisely 10:30 p.m., I climb up a spiral staircase to the observatory that Primat's daughters built in 2009. The domed roof is open, framing a canvas of stars. Three large

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### Primland

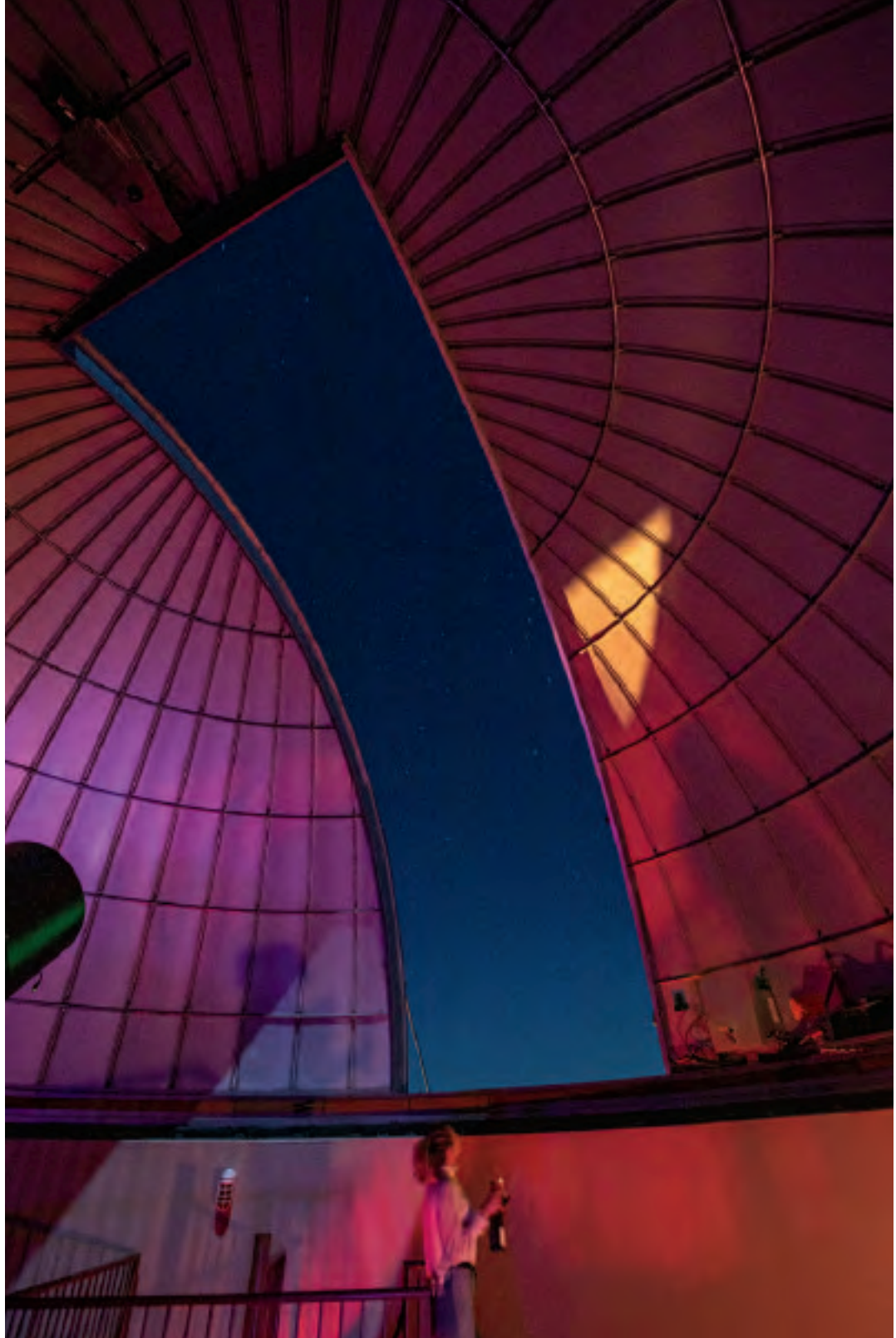
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television screens surround a powerful Celestron CGE Pro 1400 scope. Rani Klisiewicz, the resident astronomer, greets me, then dials in some coordinates. The scope swivels; the roof does too. Suddenly, a cigar-shaped galaxy appears on the screen, glowing red. “That galaxy is 250 million light years away,” Klisiewicz says. “That means it might not even exist anymore.” For the next half hour, we gaze at celestial objects that may or may not still swirl in space. Some I recognize, like Orion’s Belt; others I’ve never seen before.

Staring at the heavens naturally puts one in a



philosophical mood, and my mind goes to time and scale. I started this trip with eyes and senses fixed on Virginia’s terroir, how millennia-old soil and centuries-old passion have come together in the last few years to be expressed in bottles. Then I moved south to Charlottesville, where I was struck by how close history, much of it painful, still feels. And here I am now, peering into a darkness riven with

light, at galaxies that may have already burned up or are perhaps still whorling away, where the future and the past rush by each other, like cars on a two-lane highway snaking through the mountains.

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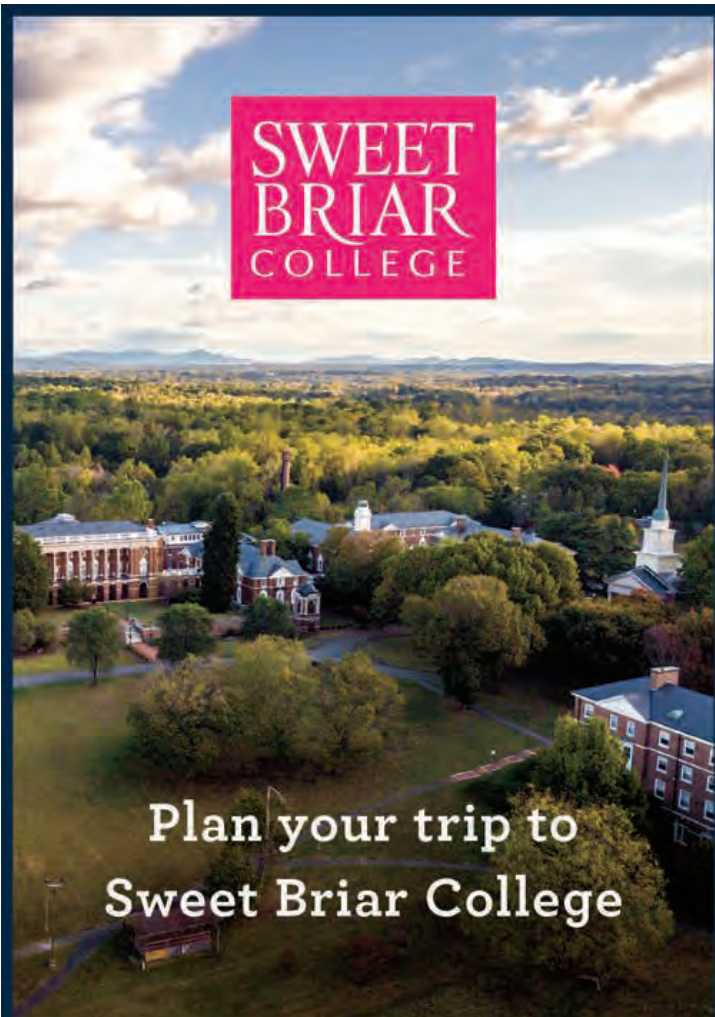
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# Ilana Glazer



# The *Broad City* star trades comedy for horror with the new film *False Positive*



For millennial women—in particular those who spent their 20s hustling in big cities—Ilana Glazer is something of a patron saint. *Broad City*, the hit Comedy Central series she created with her best friend, Abbi Jacobson, depicted the daily struggles, hijinks, and eventual maturation of two 20-something best friends in New York. The show was also a groundbreaking feminist interpretation of the stoner buddy comedy, and a celebration of sexual fluidity. Glazer and Jacobson played exaggerated versions of themselves, and, for the most part, Glazer’s other work, from her role in the dark bachelorette comedy *Rough Night* to her 2020 standup special, *The Planet Is Burning*, hasn’t strayed far from that iteration of “Ilana.”

So her latest role, in the horror film *False Positive* (streaming on Hulu starting June 25), which she also cowrote, feels like a drastic departure. “It’s so different, and to share myself in that way is really freaky,” she admits, calling from

her home in Brooklyn. Glazer plays Lucy, a young woman who seems to have it all—handsome doctor husband (Justin Theroux), luxurious apartment, steady marketing job—but is struggling to get pregnant. After visiting a renowned fertility doctor (Pierce Brosnan), she’s excited to find herself pregnant, but the good news isn’t quite what it seems.

In a stroke of cosmic timing, Glazer, 34, now happens to be pregnant herself; in fact, her estimated due date aligns almost perfectly with the movie’s release. “COVID pushed the release of this movie back twice, so I really was not planning to be pregnant when it came out,” she says, laughing. “It’s so bizarre and weird.”

**False Positive is such a departure for you. How did you get involved, and what about the story appealed to you?**

I got to know John Lee, my cowriter and director, through *Broad City*. I was a big fan of his because he had this cult show, *Wonder Showzen*, on MTV when I was in

college that was mind-blowing for me. He and I became friends, and at one point he told me about this weird fever dream of a script about pregnancy, or, at the time, it was about miscarriage. It was really freaky and moody, but I had this feeling about it, like I could see the shape that it could hold. I think pregnancy medicine, mortality rates—mortality rates as they reflect systemic racism in this country—IVF, all these conversations have been coming up in the past few years, but I don’t think they have bubbled over at all. I think the conversation when it comes to the female body is so slow, and there’s no infrastructure really to talk about it in this country. So I hope this movie pushes the conversation further. I feel so lucky to have the opportunity to make art and then see where the world meets you along the way.

**I thought it was interesting that your character, Lucy, is a victim in so many ways, but the movie also looks very**

Rodin Eckenroth/WireImage/Getty Images (portrait); Anna Kcoris/Hulu (*False Positive*); 3 Arts Entertainment/Album/Alamy Stock Photo (*Broad City*)



critically at her privilege as a wealthy, straight white woman.

It was so exciting to me that we got to make this in New York, because I've been super-fascinated in the past few years to look around New York City and see just how deep in this system we are. We point to ourselves as this progressive city, but the wealth gap alone points to how backward we are. In America, a Black woman is four times as likely as a white woman to die while giving birth [or because of pregnancy-related complications]. In New York, she's 12 times as likely. Twelve times. That is the area of fascination, to me, in *Lucy*. I think we think of privilege as affording consciousness, but sometimes it just affords more expensive distraction. And because Lucy's life looks like the lives in magazines and on Instagram and on TV, she's actually further from her own truth than somebody who doesn't live in as much daily privilege as she does.

**I noticed a lot of parallels to *Rosemary's Baby*, and I was wondering if there were other horror films that inspired you while writing this?**

[The film] is very much like *Rosemary's Baby*, and I'm laughing about it now, but it's horrible—the real horror behind *Rosemary's Baby* is that Roman Polanski created it. It's this gorgeous, brilliant, lean, tightly written, elegantly executed movie. And still, Roman Polanski is a real monster. So the



horrors of *Rosemary's Baby*, both on-screen and behind the camera, were an inspiration. And while we were in the process of making this movie, *Get Out* came out, and that was a huge inspiration for me. I love that movie, and I loved to see Jordan Peele go from a Comedy Central show to a horror movie. And also *The Babadook*—have you seen that movie?

**I haven't, but it's also about motherhood, right?**

It's about motherhood, but—I think it came out in 2014, and it was really ahead of its time in the psychoanalytic nature of its horror. I just love that movie.

From above: Glazer with Justin Theroux in *False Positive*; with Abbi Jacobson in *Broad City*

**You mention Jordan Peele's transition from comedy to horror. Were you drawn to this project because it's so different from everything else you've done?**

I wish I had more of what I think of as a design sense, when people look at their career and think, "Well, I've done this, so I should do this next." It's a brilliant way of operating, to be able to remove one's self from their career and design it in a particular way. At this point, I'm more operating from the gut.

**Did working on this film influence the way you think about your own pregnancy at all?**

When I was writing this movie, the pregnancy seemed like a horror, and birth seemed like a horror to me, because it's so hard and unknown and uncertain, from the physical elements to the social elements. And John's horror of birth was the helplessness that men embody as partners of pregnant people. You know, what the hell can they do, even? Like, they can carry the garbage down more. There's nothing to do other than watch your partner struggle and suffer, and they just feel like they have no idea of what their partner's going through. Now that I am pregnant, it's a lot less scary than I thought. I was really sick for months, and I was on set working on a show, and I was just like, it's incredible that so many pregnant people just go to work and make s\*\*\* work. My husband has been seeing flashes







of *False Positive* a lot more throughout my pregnancy, because for him it's still a representation.

**Because it doesn't seem real to him yet?**

Yeah. Because of COVID, partners can't come with you to the doctor, so I've been FaceTiming him into the sonogram, and he keeps being like "Ahh, *False Positive*, yikes!" and I'm not even thinking about it, because the baby's inside me. I'm the one at the doctor's office. But he'll catch up when the baby's here.

**I feel like this baby is going to give you lots of fodder for future standup bits. Which reminds me, I saw an interview you did to promote your 2020 standup special, *The Planet Is Burning*, in which you talked about how comedians are "modern-day philosophers," while "the people who are supposed to be serious are clown-like." After everything that's happened this past year, I'm curious if you still feel that way?**

I do see it the same way. I started comedy when I was 19—2006 was when I really entered the scene and started doing comedy every night. And even then, I started seeing this movement toward that kind of intersection, with political leaders or cultural leaders and comedians

crossing and passing each other in the seeds of culture in this new way. I think we will continue going in that direction. I think that surrealism is coming from living in late-stage capitalism. This system that we've been living in for so long is clearly not working, and consciousness is rising about it. I think that's why this change is happening, why comedy is being turned on its head: Seriousness has been turned on its head.

Glazer, second from right, with Kate McKinnon, Jillian Bell, and Zoë Kravitz in *Rough Night*

**"I've been FaceTiming my husband into the sonogram, and he keeps being like, 'Ahh, *False Positive*, yikes!'"**

creator and producer duo [Phil] Lord and [Chris] Miller. I've been developing stuff with my production company, Starrpix, where I have a team of really brilliant females, so I'm excited for them to have some space without me. And I'm continuing to work on my activism and advocacy platform, Generator Collective. I'm sort of just trying to push things to a certain point so that I can work on the best project of all—a baby!

**What other projects are you working on these days?**

I've been racing to tie things up before I take maternity leave. Because of COVID, I've really stepped back from standup, but I acted in *The Afterparty*, an Apple TV+ show by the amazing



**BY THE NUMBERS**

**2007**

Year Glazer met Abbi Jacobson in an improv class at Upright Citizens Brigade

**15**

Percentage Glazer has said her *Broad City* character is an exaggeration of herself

**35**

Episodes in the original *Broad City* YouTube series that grew into the Comedy Central show



**2**

Episodes of *Sesame Street* in which Glazer appeared as Elmo's friend Ms. Noodle

**2009**

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# Get Back Out There!

Summer vacation ideas for 10 types of family

By Nicholas DeRenzo

Tolstoy once wrote, “Happy families are all alike; every unhappy family is unhappy in its own way.” If he had lived through the past year, he might have added, “And each family that lives through a pandemic copes in its own way.” Some racked up millions of steps circumnavigating their neighborhoods; others tested new recipes every night; almost all

got *really* into streaming shows. Now, with many of us beginning to plan post-vaccine summer vacations, we’ve collected 10 adventures, each one tailored to the particular “pandemic persona” your family formed. There’s something here to make just about every kind of family happy—perhaps proving the first part of Tolstoy’s maxim wrong after all?



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A group of people are rafting down a river. The raft is white and has several people on board, all wearing life jackets and helmets. They are using red paddles. The river is turbulent with white water rapids. In the background, there is a large, forested mountain under a blue sky with some clouds. The overall scene is one of outdoor adventure and recreation.

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### IF YOUR FAMILY HAS BEEN SETTING UP MINI-GOLF CHALLENGES AROUND THE HOUSE...

Then tee off at **Big Cedar Lodge**, a rustic-luxe resort in the Missouri Ozarks. The property is home to 77 holes spread across five courses designed by the likes of Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, and Tiger Woods, whose design firm opened its first public course in the U.S., Payne’s Valley, here last fall. That last course boasts a unique 19th “bonus hole” (pictured above), with a green located on a tiny island surrounded by limestone outcroppings and a lake stocked with trout and largemouth bass. (Did we mention that Bass Pro Shops founder and CEO Johnny Morris created the resort?) Younger kids have non-golf options—ropes courses, laser tag, go-karts—plus a putt-putt course where you have to shoot through, yes, an enormous bass. [bigcedar.com](http://bigcedar.com)





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## IF YOUR FAMILY HAS BEEN DIGGING INTO YOUR VINYL COLLECTION...

Then take a spin through the **National Museum of African American Music**, which opened across the street from Nashville's Ryman Auditorium in January. Proving once and for all that Music City isn't just a country town, the museum spans 400 years of Black music history, from spirituals and hymns through jazz, R&B, and hip-hop, and is home to more than 1,600 artifacts, including one of Louis Armstrong's trumpets and a stage outfit worn by TLC's Lisa "Left Eye" Lopes. The "Roots and Streams" digital displays in each gallery illustrate the connections between 363 artists, allowing visitors to draw a direct line from Aretha Franklin to Beyoncé or Tupac Shakur to Kendrick Lamar. Best of all, you and the kids can put the vocal harmonies (or battle rap lyrics) you've been practicing to the test in the museum's interactive sound booths. [nmaam.org](http://nmaam.org)



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## IF YOUR FAMILY HAS BEEN PUTTING ON MAKESHIFT THEATER PERFORMANCES...

Then plan a pilgrimage to New York City. Broadway shows are still on hold, unfortunately, but New York state has compensated with the **NY PopsUp** festival, which sees stars such as Nathan Lane (that's Timon to the kiddos) and tap-dancer Ayodele Casel perform for tiny audiences in parks, on street corners, and at other nontraditional venues. **Shakespeare in the Park**, meanwhile, returns to Central Park's Delacorte Theater with a vibrant retelling of *The Merry Wives of Windsor* from Jocelyn Bioh, who sets the play in the West African immigrant community of South Harlem. Finally, for those with older kids and teens who felt the impact of the social upheaval of the last year, the **Brooklyn Academy of Music** is putting on Aleshea Harris's *What to Send Up When It Goes Down*, an experimental play about racism in America, in the Brooklyn Botanical Garden. [nypopsup.com](http://nypopsup.com); [publictheater.org](http://publictheater.org); [bam.org](http://bam.org)

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## IF YOUR FAMILY HAS WATCHED (AND REWATCHED) EVERY SECOND OF THE MARVEL CINEMATIC UNIVERSE...

Then find your Infinity Stones at **Disney California Adventure Park's Avengers Campus**. Opening this month, the "land" comprises attractions including the thrilling Guardians of the Galaxy—Mission: Breakout! and WEB Slingers: A Spider-Man Adventure, in which guests help Peter Parker wrangle a mob of rapidly replicating Spider-Bots. Elsewhere on the campus, you can watch Doctor Strange practice the mystic arts at the Ancient Sanctum, order tiny and giant foods alike at the Ant-Man-inspired Pym Test Kitchen, and suit up with high-tech gear at WEB Suppliers. Tony Stark would be proud. [disneyland.disney.go.com](http://disneyland.disney.go.com)







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### IF YOUR FAMILY HAS BEEN PITCHING A TENT IN THE YARD EVERY NIGHT...

Then get your clan together for a reunion at the new **Terramor Outdoor Resort** in Bar Harbor, Maine. The digs are decidedly more glam than your Dick's Sporting Goods clearance-aisle setup: Tents include private fire rings and cozy beds topped with Pendleton blankets and Frette linens. Kids will love making s'mores around the campfire and playing bocce and cornhole on the lawn, while adults can go bird-watching, join in guided stargazing, or even indulge in a whiskey or wine tasting. If you're up for a little adventure—and aren't we all, at this point?—you're mere minutes from Acadia National Park, a 47,000-acre coastal wonderland where you can hike, bike, fish, and spot harbor seals and porcupines. [terramoroutdoorresort.com](http://terramoroutdoorresort.com)



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### IF YOUR FAMILY HAS PREPARED EVERY RECIPE IN YOUR COOKBOOK COLLECTION...

Then enjoy a meal cooked by someone else (for a welcome change!) at **Baha Mar** in the Bahamas. The luxe yet family-friendly beach resort recently welcomed the first restaurant in the Caribbean from chef Daniel Boulud, where you can sample the French master's take on tropical-tinged seafood (think citrus-cured hamachi with hearts of palm and watermelon). Openings slated for this summer, meanwhile, include a Marcus Samuelsson restaurant and an outpost of the Sugar Factory brasserie and candy shop chain (pictured). If dining out again inspires your family to take its cuisine up a notch, sign up for a cooking lesson with Bahamian chef Mike Davis at The Kitchen at Baha Mar: Adults can learn how to roll *maki* and master shrimp and grits, while "tiny chefs" can show off their artistic skills decorating unicorn cookies. Bon appétit! [bahamar.com](http://bahamar.com)

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## Missed the winter ski season? Make up for

The last two winters haven't been kind to skiers. In early 2020, most resorts shut down abruptly because of the onset of the pandemic; this past season, capacity restrictions made booking lift tickets so frustrating that many skiers simply passed altogether.

For half the world, however, this year's ski season is just getting started. "This upcoming summer ski season should be a big one," says Pete Kovacevic, an expert on South America for the tour operator Alpine Adventures. What's

more, since travel restrictions are still in flux, Kovacevic notes that many places are offering extremely flexible reservations policies.

Aside from the novelty of snow in July, alternate-season ski trips offer unusual fringe benefits, such as being able to combine warm-weather pursuits—golfing, cycling, even sunbathing—with time on the slopes. From the mountains of South America to the glaciers of Europe, here are the best places to carve out a summer ski vacation.

Skiers and snowboarders on a backcountry ridge in Cerro Catedral, Argentina



By Larry Olmsted

# Calendar

it this year by hitting the summer slopes.







# Chile

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The number one summer destination for snow lovers, Chile is the choice of many national teams and World Cup racers for off-season training. The Andes are the second-highest mountain range on earth, with epic snowfalls, yet Chile's top resorts are affordable and accessible—a little less than two hours' drive from Santiago, which means you can mix world-class skiing with visits to vineyards, art museums, and, if you're willing to go a tad farther, the beach.

**Ski Portillo** is a longtime favorite of legends such as Bode Miller and Chris Davenport, and the Portillo Hotel, at its base, operates like a landlocked cruise ship, with value-packed all-inclusive weeklong stays featuring great food, Chilean wine, and even a disco. The country's other big ski resort, **Valle Nevado**, meanwhile, plans to open two of its three base hotels—the mid-range Hotel Puerta del Sol and the deluxe Hotel Valle Nevado—this season. Chile is also rich in opportunities for those who want to try heli-skiing. Both major resorts offer on-site day-trip heli-skiing, and several tour operators offer itineraries to various mountains throughout the country.

“Valle Nevado and Portillo are always hot ski destinations, and the most popular in South America,” says Kovacevic, but he also recommends the up-and-coming resort **Nevados de Chillán**, which has a new luxury hotel, tree skiing not found at its competitors, and thermal hot springs. Alpine Adventures also puts together trips to **Ski Arpa**, in the shadow of Aconcagua (the tallest mountain in the Western Hemisphere), and **Corralco Mountain Resort**, in the Araucania region.

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**This page:** Llao Llao, in Bariloche, Argentina;  
**opposite page:** looking down on Chile's Portillo Hotel from the slopes



# Argentina

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Chile may get more attention, but there are several notable ski resorts on the east side of the Andes, in Argentina. Bariloche, a Patagonian city with Swiss-style architecture, is the gateway to the nation's largest resort, **Cerro Catedral**, which has around 3,000 acres of skiing and stunning views of the glacial lake Nahuel Huapi. While there are plenty of accommodations at the resort base, Bariloche, just 30 minutes away, offers a truer ski-town experience, and it has one of the best luxury hotels in South America, Llao Llao, where the Obamas vacationed in 2016. Hotel guests have access to free transfers to Cerro Catedral and a private club at the base of the mountain, plus backcountry and Nordic skiing at a nearby mountain reserve.

Argentina's other major resort, **Las Leñas**, is farther north, in Mendoza Province. With 14 lifts, a nearly 4,000-foot vertical drop, plenty of hike-to expert terrain, and night skiing (plus the highest casino in the world), this is the preferred option for adrenaline junkies.



## France, Italy, and Switzerland

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Resorts with glaciers retain snow year-round, meaning they're great for winter and summer skiing. Most of these are found in the Alps, which means visitors can combine the full Alpine experience (including fondue and schnapps, of course) with amazing cycling and hiking. Ski.com CMO Dan Sherman calls Switzerland's **Zermatt** "our favorite for summer glacier skiing in the Alps," citing the resort town's world-class trams and gondolas, as well as the Gornergrat Railway, which affords spectacular views of the Matterhorn. Sarah Plaskitt, owner of the tour agency Scout Ski, also says Switzerland is the place to be. "For glacier skiing in Europe, **Saas-Fee** has some of the best,"

she says. "It's a charming Swiss village high up in the mountains, and it would be a delightful trip if you want to do some hiking, eat cheese fondue, and have a couple of runs."

In Italy, meanwhile, Sherman recommends the **Passo Stelvio** resort in Bormio. "Thanks to its elevation—9,045 feet above sea level—the summer glacier stays in great condition and serves as the training ground for some of Europe's best racers," he says. France also has summer skiing, especially at **Les Deux Alpes**, which has more than 220 acres of marked runs on a glacier that reaches a height of nearly 12,000 feet.



**From above:**  
Treble Cone, on  
New Zealand's South  
Island, overlooks  
Lake Wanaka; the  
Matterhorn towers  
above Zermatt,  
Switzerland

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## Australia and New Zealand

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While Australia and New Zealand may be far-flung destinations, Oceania affords the chance to combine skiing with many other activities and attractions, such as diving the Great Barrier Reef or hiking Fiordland National Park. On New Zealand's North Island, Mount Ruapehu is home to two adjacent resorts, **Whakapapa**, the nation's largest, at 2,600 acres, and **Turoa**, which has the highest chairlift. The most popular South Island resorts are **Treble Cone**, which is known for its expert trails and off-piste terrain, and **Coronet Peak**, which offers a wide range of intermediate runs.

The largest ski resort in Australia is **Perisher**, which is located about half-way between Sydney and Melbourne and has more than 3,000 acres, with nearly four dozen lifts. (Americans, take note: Perisher is owned by Vail Resorts, so the Epic Pass covers skiing here.) Not far away is **Thredbo**, which boasts the continent's greatest vertical drop, 2,205 feet, as well as a charming village. No matter which you choose, if you want to trade the ski boots for flip-flops, you're less than three hours' drive from the nearest of New South Wales's South Coast beaches.





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# Seeing Stars

From galaxy-gazing hotspots to brand-new adrenaline-busting hikes and climbs, your inspiration for breathtaking outdoor adventures starts here

## 1 SURF NEW TURF ON THE EAST COAST

When you think of surfing in the U.S., the East Coast isn't the first place that comes to mind. Those in the know, however, have been catching waves on this side of the country for years. Get your gear at **Ron Jon Surf Shop**, which has been outfitting beachgoers for over 60 years from its flagship store in Cocoa Beach, Florida. And if the tide carries you elsewhere, Ron Jon has stores all the way up to New Jersey. [ronjonsurfshop.com](http://ronjonsurfshop.com)



## Parks & Rec

**FOR WILDLIFE**  
Everything from crocodiles to wild manatee roam **Biscayne National Park, FL.**

**FOR GEOLOGY**  
Maui's legendary volcanic craters dominate **Halekalā National Park, HI.**

**FOR CLIMBING**  
The jaw-dropping canyons in **Capital Reef National Park, UT** are a climber's dream.



## 2 WALK THE WAVE AT A GEOLOGICAL WONDER

Accessible only with a special permit, the **Wave**, on the Utah-Arizona border, is one of the world's most exclusive hiking spots. Happily, the limit on the number of available permits has recently increased from 20 per day to 64, so if you've been waiting patiently to witness this natural phenomenon's eye-popping vermilion hues, this summer could be your chance. [blm.gov/visit/kanab-visitor-center](http://blm.gov/visit/kanab-visitor-center)



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## STARGAZE IN THREE OF AMERICA'S MOST DAZZLING DARK PARKS



It's not often that we get to admire the Milky Way in all its glory. Thankfully, stargazing areas, known as 'dark parks', have been popping up all over the U.S., with many located in national parks. Enjoy the incandescent wonders of the night sky at these spots.

**3 Space ships**  
If sailing and stars float your boat, then you should head to Minnesota's **Voyageurs National Park**. Home to some of the darkest skies in the Midwest, it's an incredible place to admire the cosmos—and all the better when done drifting along the park's peaceful waterways on your very own luxury houseboat.

**4 Star quality**  
Give Astrotourism a go at **Big Bend National Park** in southwest Texas. Recognized by the International Dark-Sky Association, this vast area of mountains and desert close to the Mexican border is considered one of the best star-spotting backdrops in the country. Make for Ross Maxwell Scenic Drive for some unbelievable night-time vistas.

**5 Sparkle for the camera**  
Afraid your friends will never believe how numerous and luminous the stars were on your trip? **Cherry Springs State Park** in Pennsylvania offers nightscape photo workshops for \$60 a ticket.

Stargazing is one of 2021's hottest travel trends, thanks to an abundance of national parks

## 6 SCALE A LADDER 400 FEET ABOVE THE UTAH DESERT

Looking for a thrill? Try climbing the new **Cave Peak Stairway** in Canyon Point, Utah. Said to be the longest walkway in the Northern Hemisphere, the scarily steep ladder is made up of 120 steps stretching across 200 feet and is only accessible by completing the rest of the Cave Peak Via Ferrata trail, all installed by the luxury Amangiri resort for its guests. Your reward is the spectacular panorama over the arid desert landscape from the top. Not to mention, of course, the rest of your stay at the lavish Amangiri. You can spend your time here eating delicious, nutritious food



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# MINT JULEP *Recipe*

According to Welty, *A collection of recipes from the South is no more complete than the South itself without that magic ingredient, the mint julep. In the fine old city of Columbus, in the northeastern part of the state, hospitality for many years is said to have reached its height in Whitehall (Circa, 1843), the home of Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Billups, now the home of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Bogges*



#### THE WHITEHALL MINT JULEP:

- Have silver goblet thoroughly chilled
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- Take single leaf mint and bruise it between fingers, dropping it into dissolved sugar
- Fill the silver goblet with crushed ice to capacity
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- Pour in all the bourbon whiskey that the goblet will hold
- Add a sprig of mint in the top of goblet, for bouquet
- Let goblet stand until frosted
- Serve rapidly



As Eudora Welty said at the conclusion of her interview with Mrs. Billups: *Who could ask for anything more?*





# Raise your Glasses

Pull up a stool at these stylish drinking dens, where artisan vintners and brewers are busy reinventing the tasting experience

## 8 STAY AT A BOURBON BOLTHOLE



Celebrate Louisville, Kentucky's venerable whiskey history by checking-in to the bourbon-themed **Hotel Distil**. Come for the steakhouse, which uses barrel staves for grilling and has 100 varieties on its drink list; stay for The Connoisseur Suite's in-room whiskey cart, where you can summon a bourbon master to guide you. [hoteldistil.com](http://hoteldistil.com)

## 9 HOP TO IT AT A BEER RETREAT IN THE ROCKIES

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## 10 FALL IN LOVE WITH AN L.A. INSTITUTION

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# Great Spectacles

This summer, cities across the country are erupting back to life. Here's how you can join in the fun



## 11 GET SET FOR THE RETURN OF BROADWAY

➤ Broadway's back, baby! New York's famous theaters are set to reopen this fall and will once again welcome excited audiences to enjoy the likes of Frozen,

Aladdin and The Lion King in a safe environment. So, if you're pining for the glamor of the Big Apple's biggest stage, book your tickets now. [broadwaybarter.com](http://broadwaybarter.com)




## 12 FOLLOW THE MUSIC IN MISSISSIPPI

➤ The small city of Columbus, Mississippi, in the Deep South has a music scene as colorful as its houses. Its heritage lies in one particular hue, however: blue. The area has produced notable blues musicians, such as Howlin' Wolf, Bukka White and Big Joe Williams. Discover the influential people and the historic sites that contributed to this musical legacy by visiting the four **Mississippi Blues Trail** markers. Among them is Catfish Alley, the legendary epicenter of blues, jazz and soul music in North Mississippi, where revered artists, including B.B. King and James Brown performed. There's plenty more to experience in this understated city, too, including the childhood home of playwright Tennessee Williams; the locally owned shops; a burgeoning food scene; fishing tournaments and watersports; plus a host of charming hotels and B&Bs. [visitcolumbusms.org](http://visitcolumbusms.org)



## TREAT YOUR TRIBE TO A FAMILY VACATION TO REMEMBER

 The wait for epic family trips is over. We've scoured the country and found three amazing day-outs you and your little ones definitely won't want to miss.

**13 Zootopia**  
Pay a visit to the world-famous **San Diego Zoo**, where more than 650 rare and endangered species, including koalas, penguins and giraffes, are waiting to be discovered. It's also a chance to learn about San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance's ground-breaking conservation work while strolling through this oases of tropical gardens. [sandiegozoo.org](http://sandiegozoo.org)



**14 Thriller nights**  
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**15 Mother nature**  
**New York Botanical Garden** will be prettier than ever this summer when artist Yayoi Kusama takes over with her whimsical sculptures devoted to her lifelong love of nature. [nybg.org/event/kusama](http://nybg.org/event/kusama)



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# 16 HEAD TO FOODIE HEAVEN

 There's a reason gourmands love Tampa Bay. Over at **Sparkman Wharf** at the south end of the Riverwalk, you'll find an abundance of open-air dining hotspots set up perfectly for those upcoming summer nights. Standout options include James Beard-nominated **Edison's Swigamajig Divebar & Fishkitchen** and the **Fermented Reality** outdoor biergarten, serving Tampa Bay's award-winning craft beers. [sparkmanwharf.com](http://sparkmanwharf.com)



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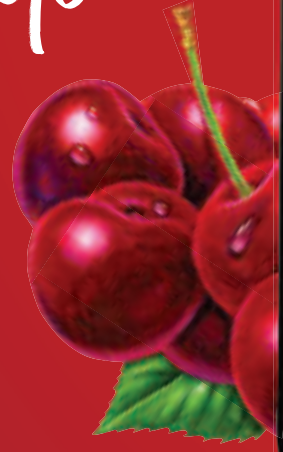


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## GIVE YOUR SUMMER WARDROBE THE UPGRADE IT DESERVES

✦ The pinnacle of any stylish summer look is an incredible pair of sunglasses. Bai Gan, Chief Product & Strategy Officer of online optical specialists **Zenni**, explains how the perfect eyewear can make or break a summer vacation.

### Are sunglasses really so important to an amazing summer vacation?

Packing the right sunglasses is essential to the whole travel experience! The right eyewear will help you make the most of an oceanside moment or any other outdoor experience.

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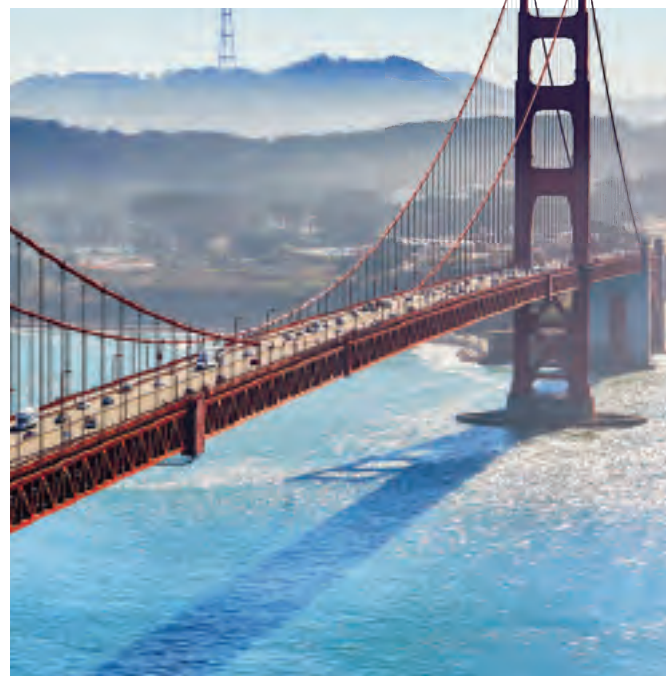
### STYLE SETTERS

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## HIKE THE BAY AREA'S SPECTACULAR PACIFIC TRAILS

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# Visions of Paradise

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## 19 FEED ENDANGERED IGUANAS IN THE BAHAMAS

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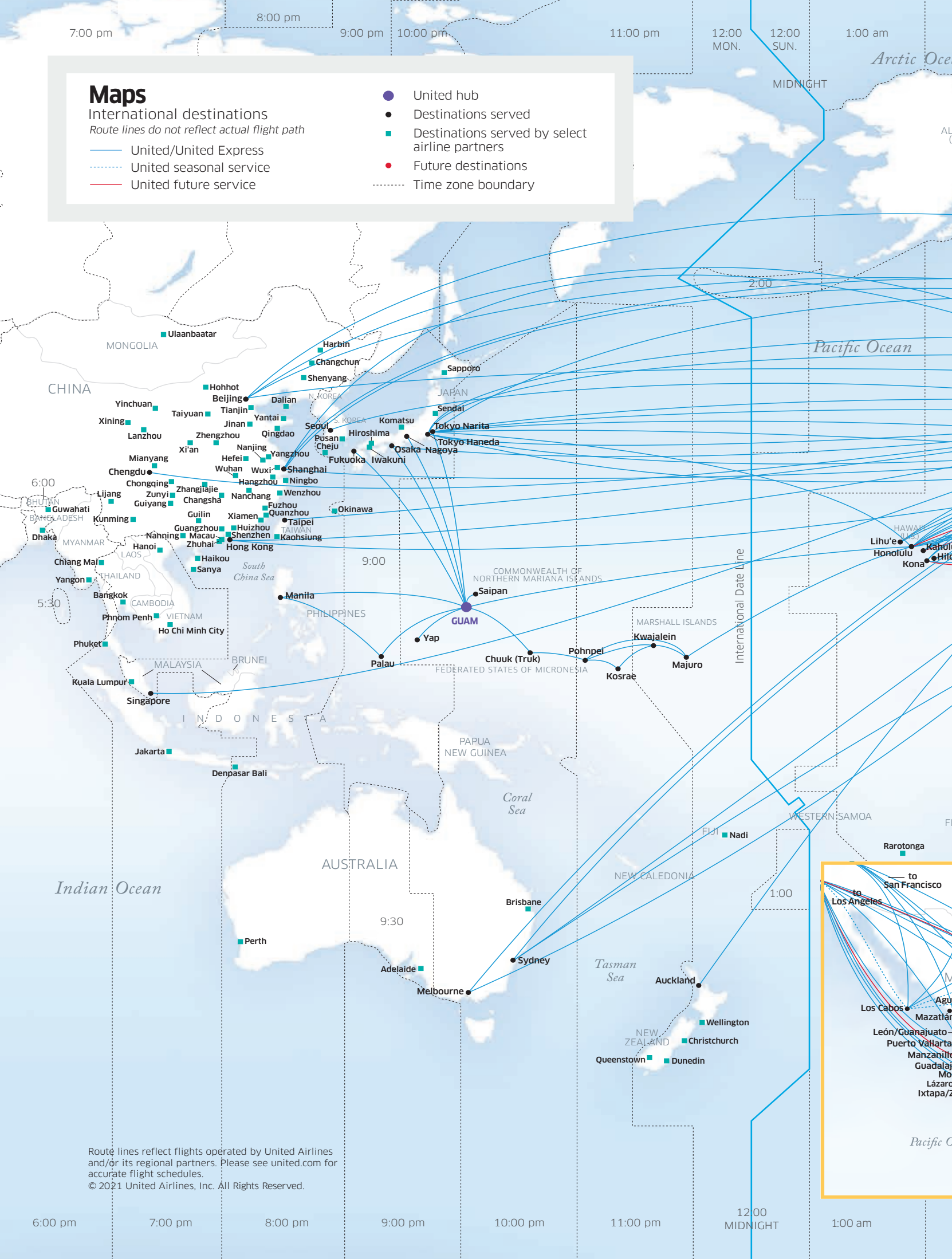
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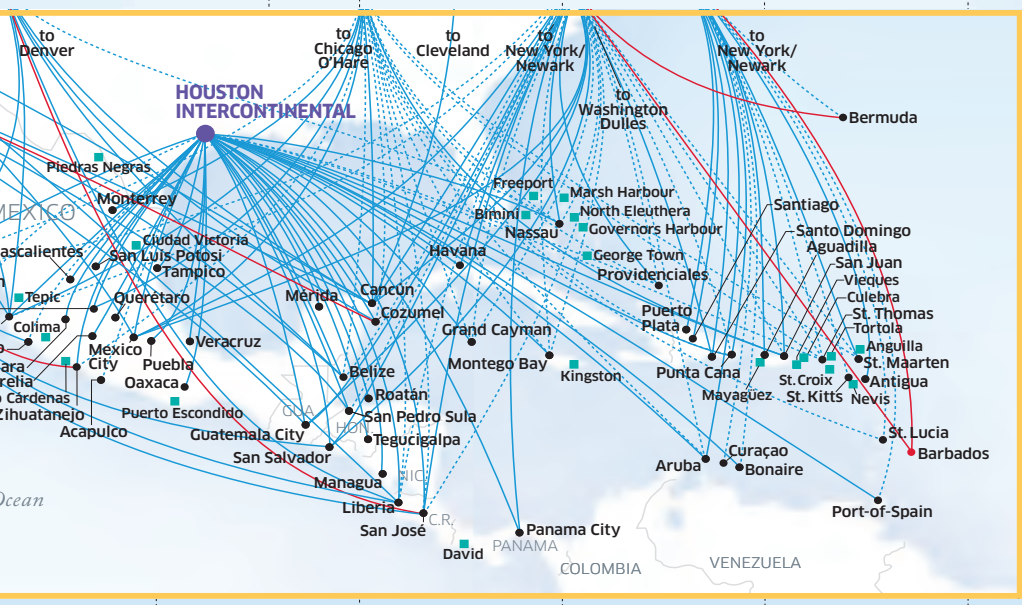
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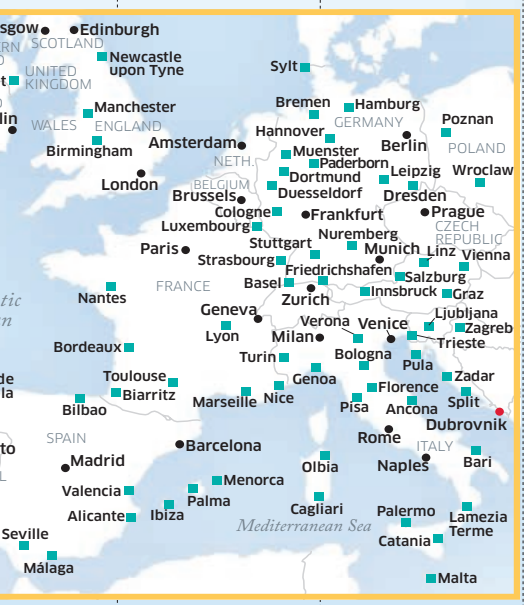
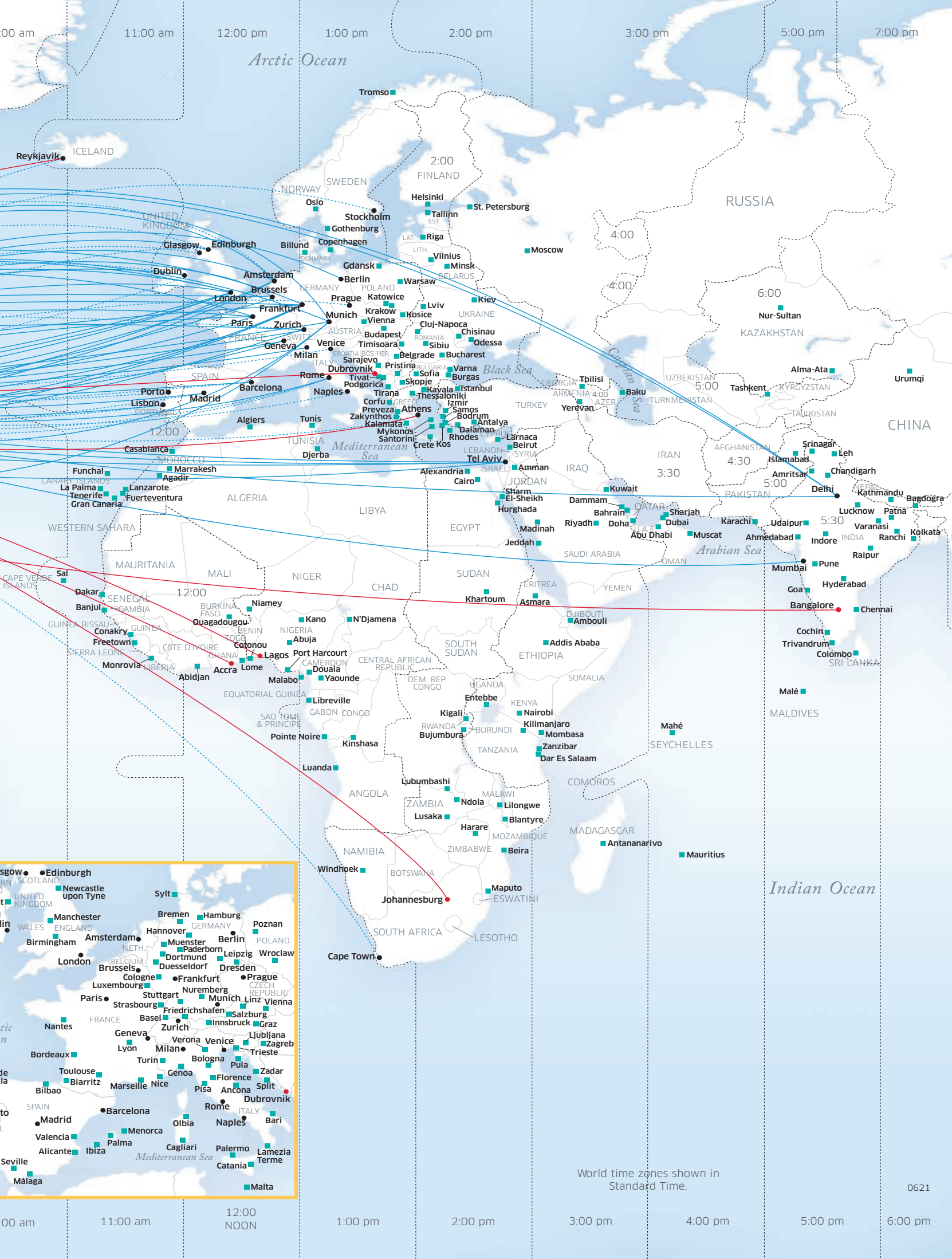
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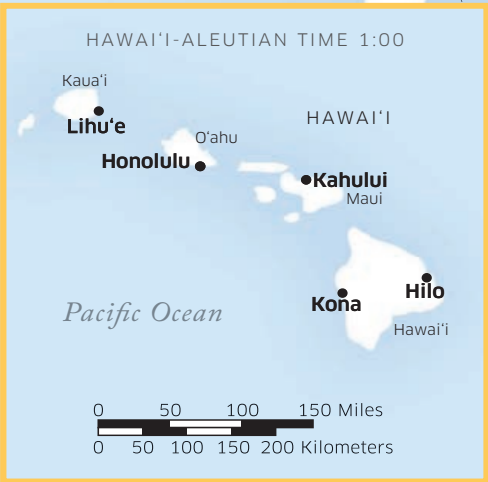






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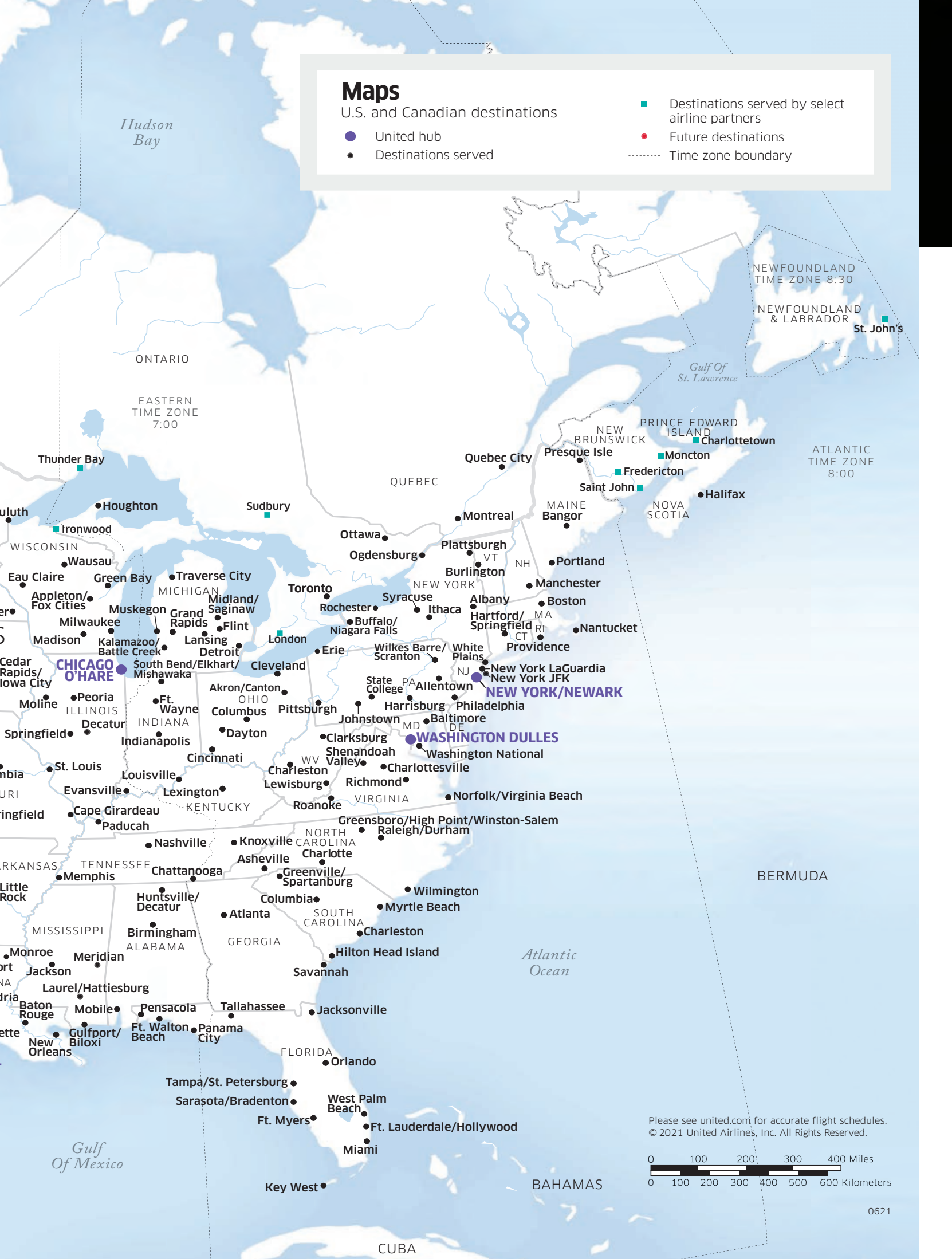


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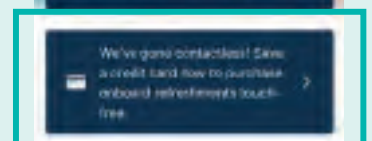
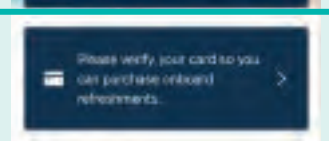
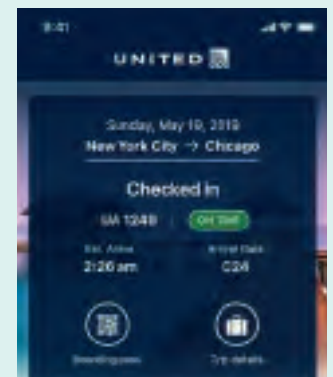
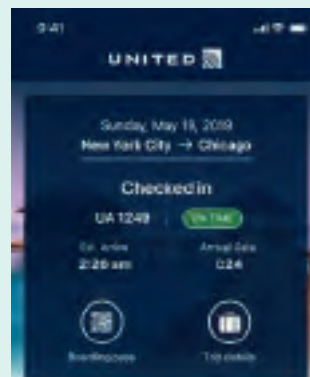
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# Chef's corner



Gerry Gulli is an Executive Chef for United who combines his love of food with his interest in aviation. He has been widely recognized for his creativity in designing menus with broad international and regional appeal during his more than 30 years of culinary experience. After receiving his culinary degree, Chef Gulli apprenticed at Chicago's Ritz Carlton, Drake, and Palmer House hotels.

This entree is inspired by the regional cuisine of Bangalore, India – a new destination for United Airlines in 2021. Developed in partnership with local chefs and proud United employees from the region, this entree incorporates authentic flavors and locally sourced ingredients.

## Herb & pistachio crusted rack of lamb

Yields: 8 portions (2 per portion)

### Ingredients

2 (1 ½ pound) racks of lamb, fully trimmed

### Marinade

3 tablespoons Dijon mustard

1 tablespoon vegetable oil

½ teaspoon kosher salt

½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

A splash of red wine (5 ml)

### Herb & pistachio crust

2 tablespoons of mixed herbs (rosemary, chives & parsley), chopped

1 clove of garlic, chopped

1 egg white

¾ cup finely chopped roasted pistachios

2 tablespoons toasted breadcrumbs

1 tablespoon butter, melted

½ teaspoon kosher salt

½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

½ cup Dijon mustard

### Directions

- 1 Combine marinade ingredients. Thoroughly coat all sides of each lamb rack and marinate under refrigeration for 2 – 4 hours.
- 2 Using a large preheated sauté pan, quickly sear the lamb on all sides for about 2 minutes per side until golden brown. Remove from the heat and rest for 15 minutes.
- 3 In a mixing bowl, combine the herb & pistachio crust topping ingredients, gently mixing to a paste consistency.
- 4 Evenly spread ¼ cup of the Dijon mustard across the top of each lamb rack.
- 5 Evenly sprinkle the herb & pistachio mixture across the top of each rack of lamb and gently press lightly to adhere to the lamb.
- 6 Place lamb into a preheated 350-degree oven and cook until the meat thermometer registers 130 to 135 F for medium-rare and a golden-brown crust.
- 7 Portion cut each lamb rack between the bones prior to serving.

### Chef's tip

Serve lamb with fresh sauteed zucchini and bell peppers & oven-roasted herb potatoes.





# Entertainment



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WHAT TO WATCH:  
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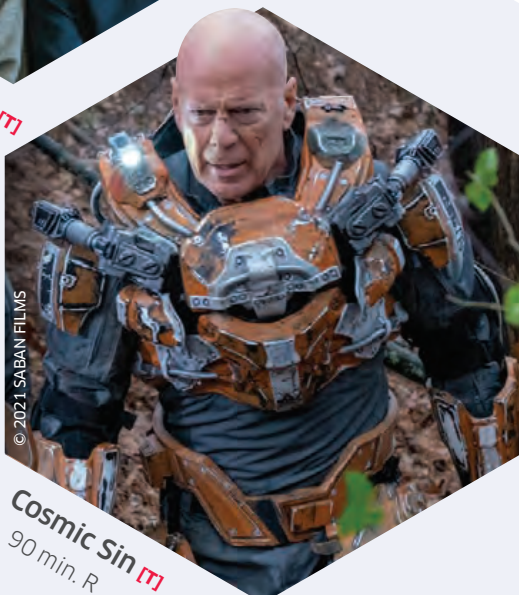
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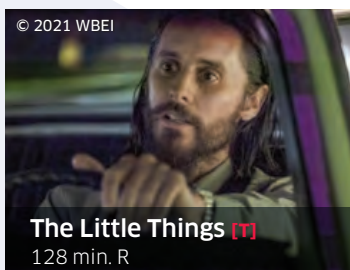
**Together Together** [TV]  
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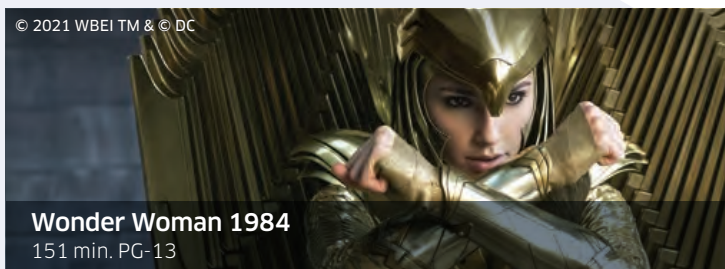
**Cosmic Sin** [TV]  
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**The Little Things** [TV]  
128 min. R



**The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge on the Run**  
91 min. PG



**Wonder Woman 1984**  
151 min. PG-13



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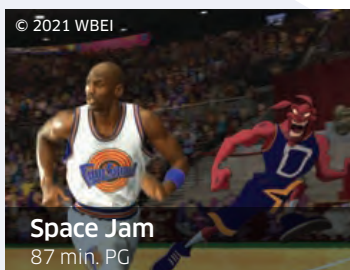
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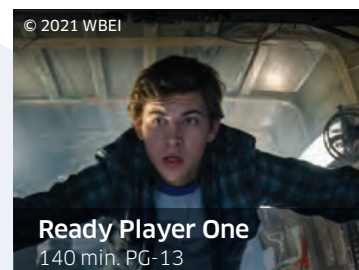


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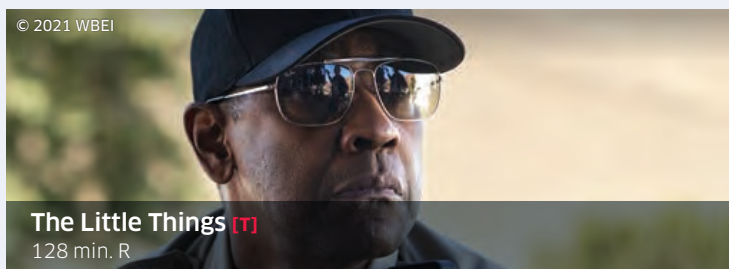
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**Space Jam**  
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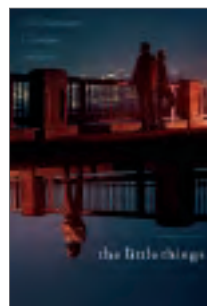
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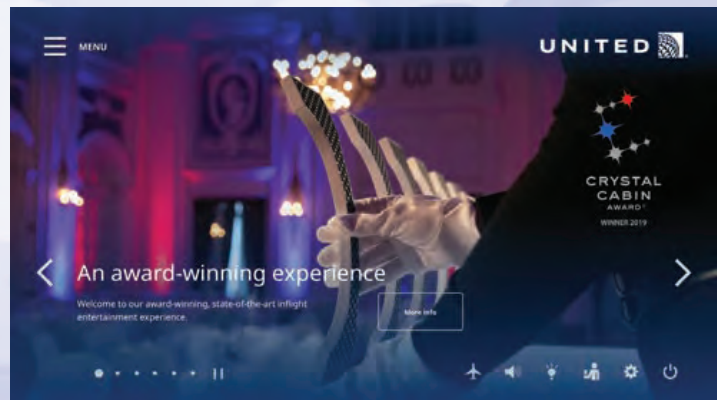
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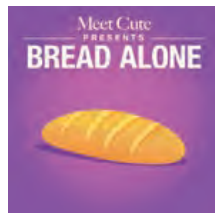
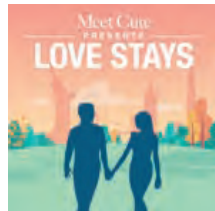
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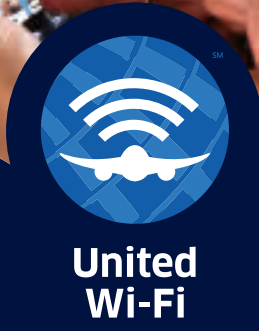
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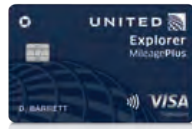




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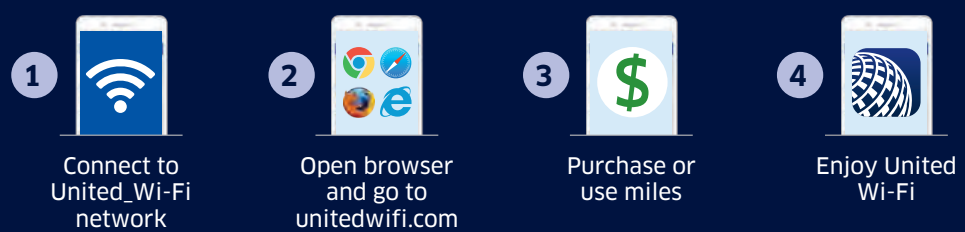


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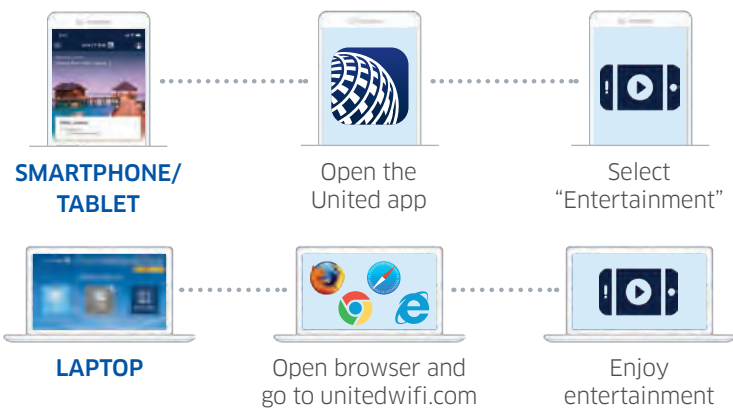
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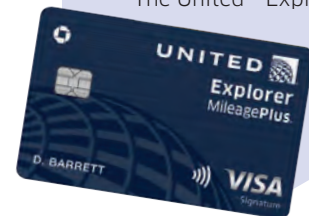
On all devices, enable airplane mode and Wi-Fi, then connect to the "United\_Wi-Fi" network. There's no charge to connect to this network for the ability to watch free onboard entertainment.



Use the latest version of the **United app** to play any show. Without the United app, you can play select programs.



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**COVERAGE**

- On select 737 and select 757-300 aircraft, internet availability is limited to flights within the continental U.S.
- On two-cabin regional aircraft, internet availability is limited to flights within the continental U.S. and Canada.
- On all other mainline aircraft, internet access is available throughout the flight but is limited over polar regions and areas restricted by government regulations.

**KEEP IN MIND**

- Most of our aircraft don't support internet video streaming, except for select A319, select 737-900 and select 757-200 flying with premium transcontinental service. This includes video clips and streaming services provided by Netflix, HBO GO, YouTube, Vevo, etc.
- Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) and video or audio conferencing are expressly prohibited on board. This includes, but is not limited to, applications such as Facebook Messenger, FaceTime<sup>®</sup>, Skype<sup>™</sup> and WhatsApp.

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**1 Verbindung zu einem Wi-Fi-Netzwerk herstellen**

Aktivieren Sie auf allen Geräten den Flugzeugmodus und die Wi-Fi-Funktion und stellen Sie dann eine Verbindung zum Netzwerk „United\_Wi-Fi“ her.

**2 Browser öffnen**

Gehen Sie zu [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com).

ODER

Öffnen Sie die United-App und wählen Sie im Menü „Unterhaltung“.

**3 Unterhaltung auswählen Wiedergeben**

Möglicherweise werden Sie zum Download eines Plug-ins aufgefordert.

**United-Wi-Fi-Internet**

**1 Herstellen einer Verbindung**

Schalten Sie die Wi-Fi-Funktion ein und wählen Sie das Netzwerk „United\_Wi-Fi“. Öffnen Sie Ihren Browser und gehen Sie zu [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com).

**2 Kaufen**

Wählen Sie eine Option für den Internetzugang und klicken Sie dann auf „Purchase access“ (Zugang erwerben).

Weitere Informationen zum Internet-Zugang:

**Internet-Abdeckung.**

Über den Polarrouuten und anderen Regierungsgebieten ist die Verfügbarkeit der Satelliten begrenzt.

Bei allen Flugzeugen des Typs 737 und aus-gewählten Flugzeugen des Typs 757-300 beschränkt sich die Internet-Abdeckung auf die kontinentalen USA.

**Español**

Disfrute gratuitamente de Entretenimiento en Dispositivos Personales

**1 Conectar a la red Wi-Fi**

En todos los dispositivos, debe habilitar el modo avión y la conexión Wi-Fi, y luego conectarse a la red "United\_Wi-Fi".

**2 Abrir el navegador**

Ir a [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com)

O BIEN

Abrir la aplicación de United y seleccionar "Entretenimiento" en el menú.

**3 Seleccionar entretenimiento Reproducir**

Es posible que se le solicite descargar un plug-in.

**Internet Wi-Fi de United**

**1 Conectar**

Active la conexión Wi-Fi y seleccione la red "United\_Wi-Fi". Abra su navegador y vaya a [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com).

**2 Comprar**

Seleccione una opción de acceso a Internet y haga clic en "Comprar acceso".

Información adicional acerca del acceso a Internet: Cobertura de Internet

La disponibilidad satelital global es limitada en las rutas polares u otras zonas del gobierno.

La cobertura de Internet estará limitada a Estados Unidos continental en todas las aeronaves 737 y en algunas aeronaves 757-300.

**Français**

Visionnez gratuitement un programme de divertissement sur votre appareil nomade avec le service Personal Device Entertainment

**1 Se connecter au réseau Wi-Fi**

Sur tous les appareils, activez le mode avion, puis le Wi-Fi, puis connectez-vous au réseau « United\_Wi-Fi ».

**2 Ouvrez votre navigateur**

Allez sur [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com)

OU

Ouvrez l'application United et sélectionnez Divertissement dans le menu.

**3 Sélectionnez le programme souhaité Lancez la lecture**

Un message vous demandera peut-être de télécharger un plug-in.

**Connexion Internet par Wi-Fi avec United**

**1 Connexion**

Activez votre Wi-Fi et sélectionnez le réseau « United\_Wi-Fi ». Ouvrez votre navigateur et allez sur [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com).

**2 Achat**

Sélectionnez une option d'accès à Internet et cliquez sur « acheter un accès ».

Informations complémentaires concernant l'accès à Internet: Limites de réception d'Internet

La couverture mondiale des connexions satellites est limitée au-dessus des zones polaires et d'autres zones contrôlées par le gouvernement.

La réception d'Internet sera limitée au territoire continental des États-Unis sur tous les appareils 737 et certains 757-300.

**日本語**

無料でご利用いただける パーソナル・デバイス・エンターテイメント

**1 Wi-Fiネットワークへの接続**

お持ちの機器を機内モードに設定し、さらにWi-Fiを有効にして、「United\_Wi-Fi」ネットワークを選択してください。

**2 ブラウザを開く**

[www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com)にアクセスします。

または

ユナイテッドアプリを開いて、メニューから[Entertainment]を選択します

**3 Entertainmentを選択**

で番組を再生してください。プラグインのダウンロードが必要な場合があります。

**ユナイテッド Wi-Fi インターネット接続 サービス**

**1 接続**

お持ちの機器のWi-Fiをオンにし、「United\_Wi-Fi」ネットワークを選択します。

**한국어**

무료로 제공되는 개인 휴대기기 엔터테인먼트

**1 Wi-Fi 네트워크에 연결**

모든 기기에서 비행기 탑승 모드와 Wi-Fi 기능을 사용 설정한 후 'United-Wi-Fi' 네트워크에 연결합니다.

노트북에서 이용하기

**2 브라우저 열기**

[www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com)에 접속하세요

또는

유나이티드 앱을 열고 메뉴에서 엔터테인먼트를 선택합니다.

**3 엔터테인먼트 선택**

재생플러그인을 다운로드하라는 메시지가 표시될 수 있습니다.

**Português**

Desfrute gratuitamente de Entretenimento para dispositivo pessoal

**1 Conecte-se à rede Wi-Fi**

Em todos os dispositivos, ative o modo avião e o Wi-Fi. Em seguida, conecte-se à rede "United\_Wi-Fi".

**2 Abra o navegador**

Vá para [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com)

OU

Abra o aplicativo da United e selecione "Entretenimento" no menu.

**3 Selecione o entretenimento Comece a assistir**

Talvez seja necessário baixar um plug-in.

**简体中文**

免费使用 个人设备娱乐系统

**1 美联航无线网络 (Wi-Fi)**

在所有设备上, 启用飞行模式和 Wi-Fi, 然后连接至 "United\_Wi-Fi" 网络。

**2 打开浏览器**

登录 [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com)

或者

打开美联航应用程序, 然后从菜单中选择"娱乐" (Entertainment)

**3 选择娱乐节目播放**

可能会弹出窗口提示您下载插件

**繁體中文**

免費享用 個人裝置娛樂服務

**1 連接至無線網絡 (Wi-Fi)**

所有裝置需要開啟飛行模式及 Wi-Fi, 然後連接至「United\_Wi-Fi」網絡。

**2 開啟瀏覽器**

前往 [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com)

或

開啟聯合航空應用程式並從選單中選擇「娛樂」

**3 選擇娛樂服務播放**

可能會提示您下載一個外掛程式

**2 購入**

Internetを選択し、「Purchase access(接続を購入)」をクリックします。インターネット接続についての補足説明: インターネット接続の対象地域 北極を経由する路線および一部の国の上空では、衛星の利用が制限されています。

すべての737型機および一部の757-300型機では、米国内土内のみでインターネットをご利用いただけます。

**유나이티드 Wi-Fi 인터넷**

**1 연결하기**

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**2 구매하기**

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**Internet Wi-Fi da United**

**1 Conecte-se**

Ative o Wi-Fi e selecione a rede "United\_Wi-Fi". Abra seu navegador e acesse [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com).

**2 Comprar**

Selecione uma opção de acesso à Internet e clique em "Comprar acesso".

Informações adicionais sobre o acesso à Internet: Cobertura da Internet

A disponibilidade dos satélites é limitada nas rotas polares ou em outras áreas governamentais.

A cobertura da Internet será limitada aos Estados Unidos (região continental) em todas as aeronaves 737 e em 757-300 selecionadas.

**美联航无线网络 (Wi-Fi)**

**1 连接**

打开 Wi-Fi 并选择 "United\_Wi-Fi" 网络。打开您的浏览器, 登录 [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com)。

**2 购买**

选择互联网使用选项, 然后点击 "购买使用"。

有关互联网使用的其它信息:

互联网覆盖范围 途经极地附近或其它政府的航空区域时, 全球卫星的可用性可能会受限。 在所有 737 和部分 757-300 飞机上, 互联网覆盖范围限于美国大陆地区

**聯合航空無線網絡 (Wi-Fi)**

**1 連線**

開啟 Wi-Fi, 然後選擇「United\_Wi-Fi」。開啟瀏覽器, 前往 [www.unitedwifi.com](http://www.unitedwifi.com)。

**2 付款**

選擇網絡連線方式, 然後按「付款」。

網絡連線的其它資訊:

網絡覆蓋 途經極地附近或其他政府的航空區域時, 全球衛星的可用性可能會受限。

所有737及指定757-300航機上的網絡覆蓋範圍僅限於美國大陸。



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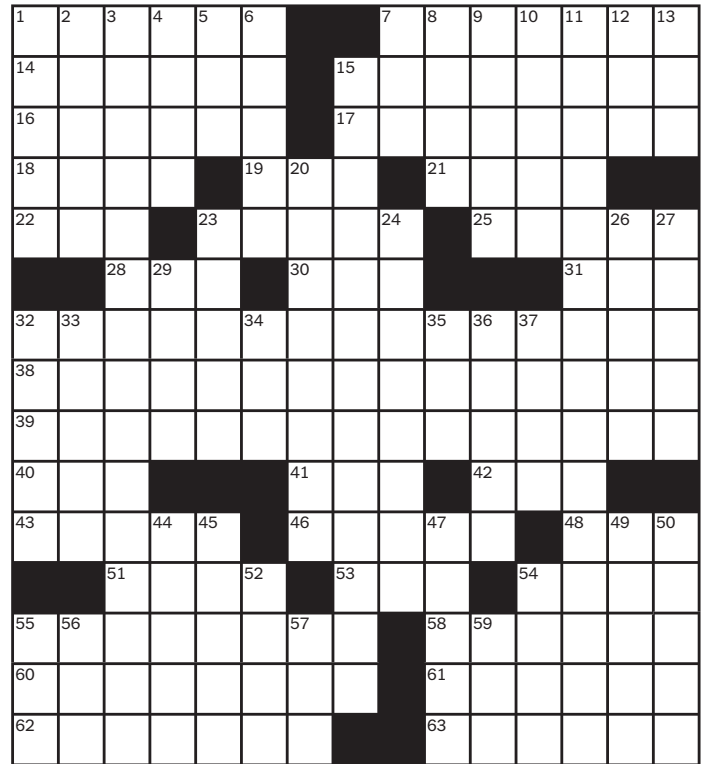
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**ACROSS**

- 1 Bit of strategy
- 7 Painting technique used in van Gogh's "The Starry Night"
- 14 Good as gold, and others?
- 15 High-m.p.g. vehicle
- 16 One having a certain video chat
- 17 This just in!
- 18 What happens while you're busy making other plans, it's said
- 19 Italian architect Ponti
- 21 \_\_\_ and Ole (stock characters in Upper Midwest jokes)
- 22 Revolution around o sol
- 23 Makers of parts
- 25 Be present
- 28 Expression of support
- 30 Expression of contempt
- 31 One who might meet with angels, for short
- 32 Things used by star witnesses?
- 38 Meet somebody you've heard lots about
- 39 Creator's leeway
- 40 Jill Biden \_\_\_ Jacobs
- 41 Mauna \_\_\_
- 42 Something found after many years?
- 43 Fencing sport with bamboo swords
- 46 Film composer Morricone
- 48 Seat occupier, for short
- 51 Stylish
- 53 Like 2021
- 54 It has its faults, informally
- 55 Club's premier venue
- 58 Bring aboard, sci-fi-style
- 60 How many Amish barns are raised
- 61 Robinhood competitor
- 62 Patronized, in a way
- 63 Indenting aid

**DOWN**

- 1 Producer of 15-Acrosses
- 2 Oscar nominee for "Argo"
- 3 Narcissist's ploy
- 4 It's on a roll
- 5 Follower of McCarthy
- 6 Boatload
- 7 Levin who wrote "The Stepford Wives"
- 8 Team with "Mr." and "Mrs." mascots
- 9 Irritant
- 10 Appropriate
- 11 What Grand Canyon tourists enjoy
- 12 Large marble
- 13 Choice words
- 15 Capital of every country?
- 20 Dolt
- 23 James Beard award winners
- 24 Northernmost part of the U.K.
- 26 "\_\_\_ legit"
- 27 "Lovely \_\_\_ You" (song by the Moody Blues)
- 29 Flavoring of Cedilla liqueur
- 32 Defeat soundly, slangily
- 33 Setting for a blender
- 34 Pic on a pec, say
- 35 Amour de \_\_\_ (self-love: Fr.)
- 36 Equatorial plantation crop
- 37 Force on Earth, in brief
- 44 "Go, and catch a falling star" poet
- 45 Stop here \_\_\_ (traffic sign)
- 47 "Intuition tells me ..."
- 49 Sidestep
- 50 Lab tube



- 52 Diminutive master of film
- 54 Potato or pasta, informally
- 55 Prefix with century
- 56 What Friday has, unlike any other day of the week?
- 57 \_\_\_ of This Swirled (Ben & Jerry's flavor)
- 59 Pilot's info, for short

For answers to the crossword puzzle, turn to page 124

**Answers to the Sudoku puzzles from page 124**

<b>ANSWER TO SUDOKU 1</b>	8	5	2	1	7	3	4	9	6
	6	9	7	8	4	2	3	5	1
	3	1	4	6	5	9	2	8	7
	7	4	5	2	9	6	8	1	3
	1	2	6	3	8	7	5	4	9
	9	8	3	5	1	4	6	7	2
	5	6	8	7	2	1	9	3	4
	2	7	9	4	3	8	1	6	5
	4	3	1	9	6	5	7	2	8
<b>ANSWER TO SUDOKU 2</b>	7	9	6	4	2	8	5	1	3
	3	1	2	5	9	7	8	4	6
	4	8	5	6	1	3	2	7	9
	1	3	9	8	4	2	7	6	5
	6	2	7	9	3	5	4	8	1
	8	5	4	1	7	6	3	9	2
	2	4	1	3	8	9	6	5	7
	5	7	8	2	6	1	9	3	4
	9	6	3	7	5	4	1	2	8
<b>ANSWER TO SUDOKU 3</b>	5	2	6	7	8	4	9	1	3
	8	7	3	1	2	9	6	4	5
	1	4	9	6	5	3	8	7	2
	3	9	8	4	7	5	1	2	6
	2	6	5	9	3	1	4	8	7
	7	1	4	2	6	8	5	3	9
	6	8	2	5	1	7	3	9	4
	9	5	1	3	4	2	7	6	8
	4	3	7	8	9	6	2	5	1

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8	5	2		7	3			
	9		8	4			5	1
3							8	
	4		2		6			3
		6		8		5		
9			5		4		7	
	6							4
2	7			3	8		6	
			9	6		7	2	8

## SUDOKU 2 (MEDIUM)

		6			8			3
	1		5		7			6
	8			1		2	7	
		9			2		6	5
		7		3		4		
8	5		1			3		
	4	1		8			5	
5			2		1		3	
9			7			1		

## SUDOKU 3 (HARD)

5								
		3	1		9			5
	4	9				8		
			4	7		1	2	
2	6						8	7
	1	4		6	8			
		2				3	9	
9			3		2	7		
								1

For answers to the Sudoku puzzles, turn to page 122; below: the answers to the crossword from page 122

T	A	C	T	I	C	I	M	P	A	S	T	O		
E	R	R	A	T	A	G	R	E	E	N	C	A	R	
S	K	Y	P	E	R	L	A	T	E	N	E	W	S	
L	I	F	E	G	I	O	S	V	E	N				
A	N	O	C	O	M	B	S	E	X	I	S	T		
	R	A	H	B	A	H	C	E	O					
S	P	A	C	E	T	E	L	E	S	C	O	P	E	S
P	U	T	A	F	A	C	E	T	O	A	N	A	M	E
A	R	T	I	S	T	I	C	L	I	C	E	N	S	E
N	E	E	L	O	A	A	G	O						
K	E	N	D	O	E	N	N	I	O	R	E	P		
	T	O	N	Y	O	D	D	C	A	L	I			
M	A	I	N	R	O	O	M	B	E	A	M	U	P	
I	N	O	N	E	D	A	Y	E	T	R	A	D	E	
D	I	N	E	D	A	T	T	A	B	S	E	T		

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Like every band and musician on the planet, we were upended from any traditional way to play shows last year. Everyone was quite bereft. We found ways of trying to bridge the gap by streaming, and I did an online radio thing that I started spontaneously, but, really, our eyes were on the prize: When are we going to be able to do shows again? When New Zealand came up with a COVID elimination strategy that seemed to work, suddenly the possibility of being able to do a New Zealand tour became very real.

We hadn't played a Crowded House show since 2016, when we were inducted into the Australian Recording Industry Association Hall of Fame. Two years later, I joined Fleetwood Mac for their tour, and the last show I played before the pandemic hit was with them, in late 2019. Being with the Mac is part of what inspired me to get Crowded House back together again. I saw the vitality and freshness and the way a band can be reconfigured or reimagined. I took heart from my experience with them and said, "I'm as fascinated by music as I ever was. It feels worthy, and like it's doing some good in the world."

And so we got the band back together, with a new lineup: Nick Seymour, my oldest friend and Crowded House companion on bass, our old collaborator Mitchell Froom on keyboards, my son Liam on guitar, and my son Elroy on drums. We recorded most of our new album, *Dreamers Are Waiting*, in LA before quarantine. The name came later. It's obviously appropriate for the time, in the sense that that's how we felt—all of us in our little caves, making music and looking outside at this world that we couldn't wait to re-inhabit.

**“The audience seemed a bit shocked, looking around at each other thinking, ‘Wow, here we are!’”**



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There was great anticipation all around for the tour. We did quite a lot of interviews leading up to it, and you could just see people's eyes going, "Yes, we really need this!" It felt like an extra incentive to go on out and really deliver.

Christchurch ended up being our first show, on March 10. We opened with a bang, with the song "Weather With You." It just starts with the tom-tom that goes

*buh-boom-boom-tch*, and then we were off. At first, the audience looked wide-eyed and so unfamiliar with being at a concert again that they didn't quite know what to do. They seemed a bit shocked, looking around at each other thinking, "Wow, here we are!" We soaked it all in. We were looking at each other a lot on the first night with recognition in our eyes: This is how it feels. It was the body becoming

reconnected to the mind. It was joyous.

There were a lot of peak moments during the tour. At our first Auckland show, when I started playing "Four Seasons in One Day," the audience, who had been sitting, spontaneously stood up during the chorus. Now, this is not a big get-up-and-dance kind of song; it's quite melancholy. But I think they felt that emotion, and they needed to stand and sing along. From there, it was a party until the end.

Our encores were a pretty upbeat selection. We did "Chocolate Cake" and then segued into a version of David Bowie's "Heroes." Our lighting designer put together a really lovely montage of images of people we consider heroes, including Bowie himself. The health care workers were the main people we took our hats off to, and everyone was cheering for them. It was not heavy-handed in terms of the message, but it was clear.

We finished each night with "Better Be Home Soon." There were a few tears, onstage and off. That song seemed especially appropriate for all of these expat New Zealanders who have come home, and for us the tour felt like a homecoming, too. It was a joy to go around our country, to some of the most beautiful spots, like Queenstown and the South Island, and experience the wonders of it. It had been 20 years since I had done that many shows in New Zealand.

Now I'm looking fondly out at the parts of the world and the people elsewhere that we miss. We can't wait to get back out there. Where do I want to play next? The world.

**Neil Finn is the frontman for Crowded House. The band's seventh studio album, *Dreamers Are Waiting*, is out June 4.**





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