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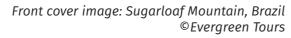
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As I looked through this week's issue I noticed how many of our stories had images of mountains in them. We could call this the mountain edition! We live in such an amazing world with so much natural beauty in so many different places. From mountains, to deserts to oceans there is so much to discover. I hope you will be inspired to keep dreaming about traveling to some of these destinations we are looking at this week.

My immediate thought about Hawaii is not its mountainous landscapes but its beaches - yet its volcanic history has made it such a unique place to visit. Our main feature story is about Nepal – which does make me of course think of Everest. Then we have highlights of Busan, South Korea, a city surrounded by mountains.

Check out our cruise section with a look at some of the Asian restaurants on board premium cruise lines. Plus loads more in this week's issue to encourage planning for that next trip.

And don't forget to follow us on **Facebook** and **Instagram** for more stories to inspire those travels.

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## Kualoa Ranch, Hawaii

Located on the island of Oahu, Kualoa Hawaii is a 4000 acre Private Nature Reserve. With lush tropical rainforest stretching from mountains to stunning beaches, this natural beauty will make you feel like you've gone back in time. If the scenery looks familiar, it might be because Kualoa Ranch has been the site of over 70 movies since the 1950s, including *Jurassic World* and *Jurassic Park*. Kualoa can be explored in many ways, from a Jurassic Valley Zipline, to a Movie Site Tour, ATV's, horseback riding, and even ocean voyaging. Just be sure to watch out for wandering dinosaurs!



## **For foodies**

#### A sparkling review for a Tassie wine

For lovers of bubbles, it's a great time to be an Aussie! An Australian sparkling wine has beaten French Champagne in a top European tasting late last year, with Decanter magazine in December naming Tasmanian winery House of Arras' Ed Carr Late Disgorged 2004 as sparkling wine of the year.

A mix of 69% chardonnay and 31% pinot noir, House of Arras' wine nudged out entries from notable Champagne producers such as Bollinger and Krug.

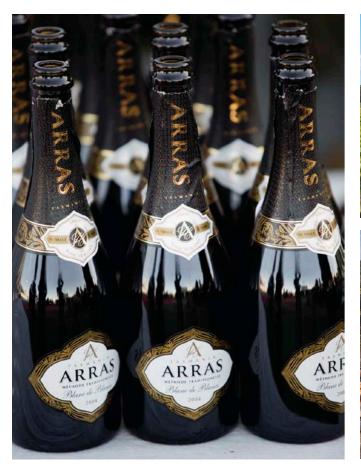
"The wine has always been extremely elegant and slowly aging," described House of Arras founder Ed Carr.

"If you look at global media scores, a lot of Tasmania sparkling has been coming up strongly like this for some time."

So where can you get a hold of this delightful drop? Well we recommend going straight to the cellar door, located in the Bay of Fires on Tasmania's east coast.

In addition to the now famous Australian sparkling wine, the mild climate of Tasmania's east coast creates perfect growing conditions for sweet berries and nuts, award-winning cheeses and delicious fresh seafood. With stunning coastal scenery as the background to these flavour sensations, a trip to the region is a foodie's dream.

Be sure to drop by the Bay of Fires cellar door, where a range of masterclasses and tasting options are offered. Here you can also pick a bottle of House of Arras' award-winning sparkling wine.







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#### Holiday at Home promo

Tourism Australia has this morning launched a major \$5 million campaign encouraging Aussies to convert their domestic travel dreams into reality.

The organisation said internal research had found that consumer confidence was at an eight month high, with more than half of all Australians considering or actively planning interstate travel - despite the challenges of restrictions and border closures.

"We're hoping to get tourism and travel top of mind for as many Australians as possible," said Tourism Australia MD Phillipa Harrison, who said the campaign would help capitalise on pent-up demand by providing the inspiration to convert the yearning for a holiday into actual bookings. A campaign video is live at travelandcruiseweekly.com.au.

#### **Cruise restart** disarray in NZ

A highly anticipated domestic cruise season to be operated in New Zealand by Ponant's *Le Laperouse* looks to be threatened by a last minute decision to deny visas to more than two thirds of the ship's crew. The program was set

to commence next Mon, but with the ship just 400 nautical miles offshore the NZ Immigration Department says 61 crew are not deemed as "essential workers" and thus may not enter the country.

New Zealand Cruise Association CEO Kevin O'Sullivan says the decision has come despite approval being granted for the operations by the NZ Ministry of Health back in December.

It's understood that urgent negotiations are under way to resolve the issue, and in the meantime the ship has diverted to COVID-free New Caledonia for provisioning while Ponant and local operator Wild Earth Travel consider their next move.



## SWAP CALIFORNIA FOR COONAWARRA

#### NOT BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO, BECAUSE YOU'LL WANT TO

The Penola and Coonawarra region continue to delight customers with experiences that rival Paris and California, providing the ultimate wine and food journey that supports the South Australian economy .Coonawarra is just four hours from Adelaide, much closer than the 24 hour plane journey to California and offers visitors many unique experiences.

While wine may be the national and international selling point about what makes Coonawarra so appealing, the region is dripping in culture, history and is home to amazing food experiences. The list of opportunities for unique experiences is endless, here are the top three experiences that you must do when visiting Coonawarra.

#### COONAWARRA WALKING TRAIL

Walk your way around the heart of Coonawarra, encompassing 6 Coonawarra wineries, passing through cellar doors on a walking trail that offers fun, adventure and culture.

This trail gives you the opportunity to travel 5km and enjoy the scenery and taste the amazing array of wines, where you learn about the history, viticulture and winemaking practices that will make you fall in love with Coonawarra.

#### GLAMPING AT BELLWETHER WINES

If you enjoy the harmony between luxury and the great outdoors, glamping at Bellwether Wines is an experience that can't be missed. With all the creature comforts of home and the added bonus of the serenity of the outdoors, you can easily think you have been transported to paradise.

If the glamping experience isn't enough, walk 100 metres to the Bellwether cellar door where you can meet the winemaker and enjoy a dining experience like no other.

## SWAP Palifornia FOR COONDUDDDD

#### VISIT FODDER

- Local Limestone Coast produce is the focus of the culinary masterpieces coming out of Fodder. Introducing Drink Ottelia + Eat Fodder, walk in and taste the growing portfolio of wine alongside sourdough pizzas and seasonal dishes made with fresh veggies from the Fodder | Ottelia garden.
- It's here, you can experience the paddock to plate concept paired with wines of the region. An experience that will certainly highlight comfort food at its finest.

#### PIPERS OF PENOLA

- If you are looking for a quality dining experience, venture no further than Pipers of Penola. This contemporary restaurant offers a menu that places emphasis on regional and seasonal produce.
- Situated in the heart of the quaint town of Penola, chef Simon and Erika Bowen provide diners with a multi award winning experience at a quaint location that is as amazing as the food.

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# Nepal: where natural wonders and cultures meet

From the majesty of the Himalayas, to raging river rapids, elephants roaming in tall grass, to the exotic cuisine, Nepal can offer visitors a diverse and culturally rich experience. Emma Lovell shares her insights. Kathmandu is the capital of Nepal and most international flights will arrive into this heavily populated city that rests in a valley amongst the Himalayas.

Although being a largely Buddhist culture, Hinduism is also a strong faith in Nepal. It always fascinates and inspires me to see many sects of faith and religion living harmoniously in Kathmandu. My first stops when visiting Nepal are three important religious sites Pashupatinath, Bouddhanath and Swayumbhunath. Pashupatinath is reserved for Hindus, a sacred place for funeral rites, burning of the bodies on ghats by the river, a fascinating ritual to observe. Bouddhnath is the largest Buddha stupa in the world. A magnificent dome of white, shrouded with brightly coloured prayer flags and a gold spire atop with the eves of Buddha watching all around. Another Buddhist site, Swayumbhunath, is not to be missed, sitting atop an impossible hill with incredible 360-degree views of surrounding mountains. There are a lot of steps to get to the top, and make sure to watch out for our monkey friends who call the stupas home.

It's a tourist hot spot, but you can't go to Nepal without visiting Thamel. Bars, restaurants and handicraft stores galore. Make sure to pop in to a Nepalese kitchen for some momos, Nepalese dumplings served with a spicy tomato, chilli and garlic chutney. This area is a bustling shopping spot in the day, and an eclectic nightspot for the partygoers.

Everest Base Camp for many is the ultimate in trekking and mountaineering, and a key reason for visiting Nepal. If you're not

prepared to take on the 12-day trek, you can enjoy moderate trekking in this region, Namche Bazaar is an amazing destination for you. Three days of trekking to teahouses with hospitable hosts. Friendly and knowledgeable Sherpas providing guidance and education about their mountain home. Spend a few days in Namche Bazaar taking day trips, sampling from the famous bakeries and

admiring the incredible structure of a town built into the side of a mountain.

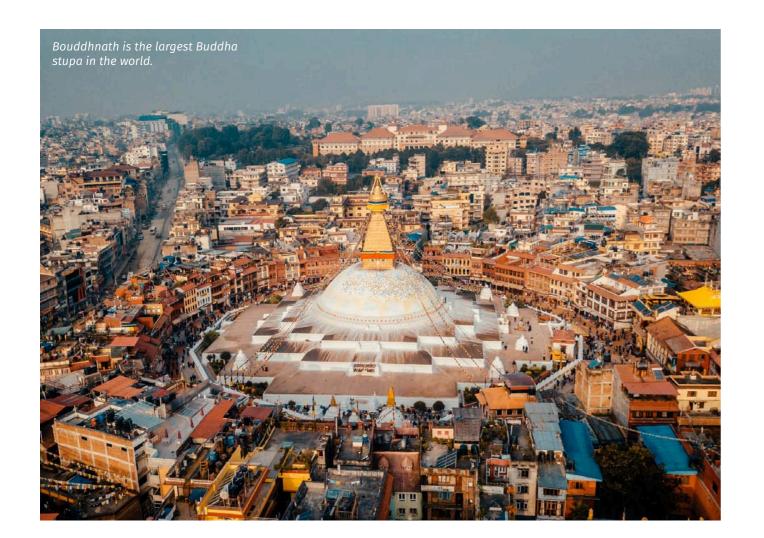
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Not everyone will have the time to climb the epic mountains of Nepal, but you can still experience the majesty of these incredible peaks on the mountain flight

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peaks on the mountain flight. On my first visit to Kathmandu, I attempted the mountain flight two days in a row but due to bad weather it didn't go and I missed out altogether. To ensure you get to experience a bird's eye view of the world's tallest mountain, book the flight early in your trip.

For the wildlife lovers, Chitwan National Park in the south-central part of Nepal is a must. You can drive from Kathmandu in approximately seven



hours, a wonderful opportunity to see more of the country. Experience the famous cliff hanging roads, which locals navigate with precision. I loved the calm plateau of land surrounded by tall trees with a lazy river running throughout. Awake in your accommodation by the river and help the local elephants take a bath. If you're more of an observer, take a safari through the national park riding on an elephant in a howdah or take a Jeep tour to see elephants, rhinos and possibly some big cats, tigers!

Pokhara is a natural wonder and different pace from Kathmandu, it's just seven hours drive or 1.5 hour flight from the capital. Experience a gateway to the Himalayas and a town of adventure. Trek the Annapurna ranges and choose from a number of trails traversing around the pristine mountains. The town rests by peaceful Lake Phewa, take a boat ride on the calm waters to the Hindu temple resting in the centre of the lake. If it's heights you're after, try paragliding with the vultures, a unique offering in this part of the world. Spend a few days here and enjoy the incredible array of restaurants from around the world and a lively nightlife, all on the lake shore.

Most importantly, when you're in Nepal, take the time to meet the people. They are what make this country great. Speak to the man who is selling the tea at the corner, or the woman stitching a sari or your trekking guide. Nepalese people have a passion for their country that is unrivalled. They'll share their homes, their families and their history with you, if you let them.



From top this page: Try and spot a polar bear in Svalbard

A flight over the mountains is a great way to see the Himalayas without trekking

Make sure to take the time to meet some of the people of Nepal ©Emmo Lovell





## **Beautiful Busan**

Explore the highlights of South Korea's second largest city.



Busan is the second largest city situated on the south east coast of South Korea. Highlights of the city include rugged mountains, pristine beaches, museums, shopping, chic bars and an enviable city life that attracts such events as the Busan International Film Festival each year. Must visits include:

### Gamcheon Culture Village

You'd be mistaken if you thought you were looking at the colourful houses of Santorini, but no, these colourful homes are set against a mountain backdrop where you'll find cafes, galleries and bright Lego-shaped houses. It's an ideal neighbourhood to discover a little more about the history of the area and take in some unique art installations along the way.

### Jagalchi Fish Market

Explore the country's largest fish market Jagalchi Fish Market, a lively place for anyone who loves seafood. Enjoy the variety of locally sourced seafood available at decade old stores and food carts. You can purchase your seafood fresh and then have it served to you to eat upstairs. Local favourites include crab and eel.

#### Beomeo-sa Buddhist Temple

For a change of pace and a sense of peace, head to the magnificent Beomeo-sa Buddhist Temple which is the perfect escape from the energy of city life, set against a picturesque mountain backdrop. It is also possible to enjoy the Templestay program where you'll experience the magic of predawn chanting. The Haedong Yonggung-sa temple is also well worth a visit as it is one of the country's few temples located on the coast and is the perfect place to catch the sunrise.

### Seokbul-sa Buddhist Temple

And in keeping with the temple theme, also worth the hike (or the Geumgang Park cable car ride if your legs have lost their enthusiasm), is the intimate Seokbul-sa Buddhist Temple. This hermitage is built into the sides of sandstone cliffs on Mt. Geumjeong and features meticulously etched Buddhist reliefs carved into the stone walls.

## Four things

For sports enthusiasts, these venues are so amazing to look at, they can steal the attention away from what is happening on the field.

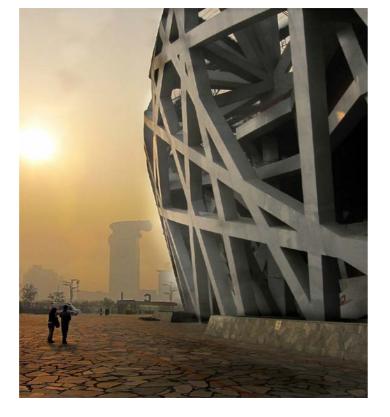


#### Lord's – England

You won't be in awe of Lord's for its amazing light installations or pyrotechnic displays, but rather for its amazing old-world architecture steeped in rich English history. The ground is referred to as "The Home of Cricket", and you can see why when you attend a match here, with much of the heritage buildings stretching back to the early 1800s. If you truly want to feel like a right old gentleman watching some gentle off spin from the Pavilion End, then we recommend sitting in the Pavilion stand, one of the few survivors from the original Victorian era.

### Bird's Nest – Beijing

Some venues are defined more by their unusual exteriors than internal seating, and China's Beijing National Stadium, also referred to as the Bird's Nest, certainly fits that bill. Designed by Herzog and de Meuron, the building, constructed for the 2008 Olympic Games, features 110,000 tonnes of curved steel, mimicking Chinese ceramics to create a nest-like feel. Although today the unusual looking structure is rarely used for sporting events, it is still a major money-spinner for the Chinese Government, with 25,000 people visiting a day to walk through the famous ground. The Bird's Nest will also play host to the upcoming Winter Olympics opening and closing ceremonies.





#### Madison Square Garden – USA

One of the most iconic entertainment venues in the world, Madison Square Garden hosts a variety of sports throughout the year, including the ice hockey (NHL) team The New York Rangers and basketball's (NBA) New York Knicks. The venue also transforms to host boxing bouts and pro-wrestling fixtures. Unlike many of the newer stadia being built around the world, Madison Square Garden is not about housing huge numbers, with a capacity under 20,000, it is more about achieving the intimate close-to-the-action feel that sports fans like most about this venue.

#### Allianz Arena – Germany

If it's grand you want, then grand you shall get when you attend a football match at Germany's gargantuan Allianz Arena in Munich. Home to the famous Bayern Munich football team, this 70,000-seat monster was one of the first in the world to boast a full colour changing exterior. Each panel can be independently lit with white, red, or blue light, and while other colours or interchanging lighting schemes are theoretically possible, Munich Police strongly insist on the ground using only a single-colour lighting scheme due to several car accidents on the nearby A9 Autobahn taking place when other colour schemes were used.



## **Keep your cruising dream alive**

Dining is a key part of your cruising experience, so to help you choose which ship you should sail on next, we're bringing you a series of comparisons of onboard dining. This week, take a look at the asian dining options onboard premium cruise lines.



#### **Red Ginger** Oceania

Lovers of all Asian cuisines will delight at Red Ginger, with the restaurant offering a range of dishes from across the continent. The chefs have created a menu that features contemporary interpretations of Asia classics. Enjoy highlights including a spicy roast duck with watermelon, cashews, mint and Thai basil, Malaysian beef Penang or Thai vegetable curry. Red Ginger is available on board Marina, Riviera & Sirena and although reservations are required, there is no additional cost to dine there.

## Harmony Princess Cruises

If Chinese cuisine is a favourite of yours, you'll love Harmony, on board *Majestic* Princess. The restaurant was created in partnership with Richard Chen, the former chef of Wing Lei, the first Chinese restaurant in America to receive a Michelin star. Chen is known as the "duck master" so make sure to sample some of his dishes featuring the meat such as Peking duck salad with almond, orange and truffle oil vinaigrette, or eggplant and roasted duck casserole with spicy plum sauce. Harmony is open for dinner and costs \$29 per person to dine.



### **Sushi on Five Celebrity Cruises**

Despite the name, Sushi on Five doesn't iust serve sushi. The restaurant offers a range of Japanese specialties, all crafted by expert restaurateur and sushi chef, Yoshikazu "Yoshi" Okada. Enjoy sushi rolls and nigiri featuring tuna, shrimp, eel and more, yellowtail, salmon or octopus sashimi, or BBQ pork ramen. For dessert, don't miss the caramelized gingerbread with wasabi gelato. Sushi on Five is open for lunch and dinner and items are priced a la carte at the restaurant.

#### **Tamarind** & Nami Sushi **Holland America** Line

Passengers on Holland America Line ships have two Asian restaurants to choose from. Nami Sushi offers Japanese classics, priced a la carte, including vegetable tempura, fried soft shell crab sushi rolls and yellowtail sashimi and nigiri, while a range of dishes from Southeast Asia, China and Japan are all on the menu at Tamarind. Highlights include wok-seared lobster, barramundi in banana leaf and sushi. Dining at Tamarind costs \$30 per person.



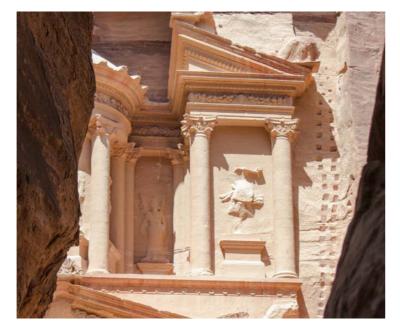


### **Pub quiz**

- 1. Which city was the capital of French Indochina for 43 vears?
- 2. What is the most visited country in the Caribbean?
- 3. Indonesia's flag bares a confusing amount of similarity to which other country's flag?
- 4. Which cruise line created the world's largest cruise ship Lego model, of one of its ships, to sit in Hong Kong's Kai Tak Cruise Terminal?
- 5. What is the capital of Brazil?
- 6. The Flinders Chase National Park is located in which Australian state?
- 7. Former budget airline FlyAsianXpress, or FAX, is now known as what?
- 8. Which American state is known as the Beehive State?
- 9. Which Australian Valley markets itself as the 'Sapphire Coast'?
- 10. The United States' acquisition of Alaska from the Russian Empire in 1867 occurred for how many US dollars? a) \$720
  - b) \$720,000
  - c) \$7.2 million

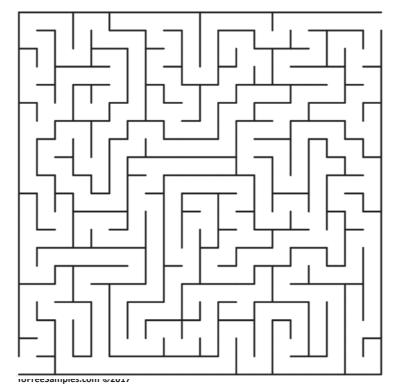
#### Icon under a microscope

This landmark is iconic and easily recognisable when you see the whole picture, but can you identify it from this small portion of the image? This rock-cut architecture is the perfect example of what this city is famous for.



#### A-maze-ing

Can you find your way through this maze? Start at the top right corner and finish in the bottom left.



### **Pub quiz**

- 1. Ho Chi Minh City was formerly known by what name?
- 2. Hispaniola is shared between the Dominican Republic and Haiti, but which country takes up more of the island?
- 3. The Grasberg mine is the world's largest gold mine, and is also the world's secondlargest quarry of what other substance?
- 4. China Airlines is headquartered in what city?
- 5. What is the world's most populous island? a) Cuba
  - b) Australia
  - c) Java
- 6. In August 1883, what natural disaster was reportedly heard as far away as Perth?
- 7. What highway ends in Port Augusta, South Australia?
- 8. Darwin is said to have been almost entirely rebuilt how many times, and for what reasons?
- 9. Which country's national day is often considered the oldest in terms of occasion of celebration?
- 10. Is Merimbula closer to Sydney or Melbourne?

#### Sudoku

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The aim of Sudoku is to complete the entire grid using the numbers 1-9. Numbers can only be used once in each row, column & 3×3 box.

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#### Seen it at the movies



Sydney has been the setting for plenty of major Hollywood blockbusters over the years. One of these blockbusters spawned two more sequels and starred a 'speedy' action megastar whose character was the 'seemingly' nerdy computer programmer Thomas Anderson. If you answer correctly, you might be 'the one'. Can you name the movie?

#### Pub quiz

- 1. If you are riding in a songthaew, you are most likely in what country?
- 2. Which city in Vietnam has the largest population?
- 3. The island of Hispaniola is shared between what two countries?
- 4. The Grasberg mine, the world's largest gold mine, is found in what country?
- 5. Quito is the capital of which country?
- 6. Were Antarctica to melt, approximately how many metres would sea levels rise by? a) 6m
  - b) 60m
  - c) 35m
  - d) 3m
- 7. King William Street and North Terrace are major arteries in which city?
- 8. The Griffith Observatory is a fantastic spot to stargaze, but is also well-known for its vistas of what city?
- 9. What Sydney destination was originally known as Long Cove?
- 10. Yarrawonga sits on the southern bank of what river?

#### Where in the world?



This museum has a long name, named for its founder, but is usually just referred to by the founder's last name.

The collection of the museum has grown over 80 years and was based on the private collection of the founder. It was originally housed in a more regular-looking building which was rented, but moved to this impressive structure, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, in 1959.

Do you know where in the world this museum is?

#### **Unscramble**

How many words can you make out of these nine letters? Every word needs to include the centre letter. have four letters or more and not be a proper noun or a plural. You can only use each letter once.

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Good – 12 words Very good – 18 words Excellent – 24 words

NOTE: We've used Chambers Dictionary to decide what words are acceptable.

### **Singapore word search**

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#### Whose flag is this?

This country was part of an empire in the 19th century, but in the 1820s it declared independence and in 1822 the colours of blue and white were adopted for the national flag. The colours represent the faith of the country while the cross symbolises the wisdom of God, freedom and country. Do you know whose flag this is?



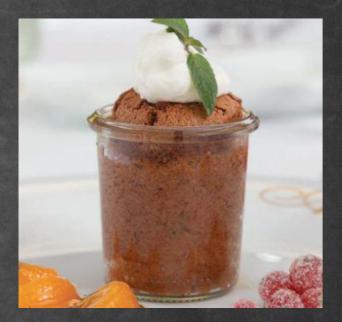
See if you can find these words. They are hidden horizontally, vertically and diagonally, forwards and backwards.

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SENTOSA SHOPPING SINGAPORESLING TROPICAL

## Make it at home

In the lead up to Easter we're celebrating chocolate recipes from around the world



#### Ingredients

<u>CAKE</u>

100g butter, melted 2 tbsp granulated sugar 50g bittersweet couverture or cooking chocolate 3 egg yolks 3 tbsp rum 1⁄4 cup confectioners' sugar 3 egg whites Pinch of salt 1 cup breadcrumbs 1 cup crumbed ladyfingers 2 tbsp milk 50g hazelnuts, roasted and grated 3 tbsp granulated sugar

#### CHOCOLATE SAUCE

160ml cup milk 1/2 cup cream 1/8 cup granulated sugar 1/2 vanilla bean, cut open 150g dark chocolate, finely chopped 80g butter, softened 2 tsp cognac 300ml cream (half-whipped)

### Mohr im Hemd (Chocolate Hazelnut Cake)

#### Serves 6

Mohr im Hemd is a traditional Austrian delicacy and is served onboard Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection ships. The cake is the perfect indulgence and was developed by Bea Tollman and Uniworld's chefs.

#### Method

<u>CAKE</u>

Grease 6 small soufflé molds with melted butter and dust with confectioners sugar; refrigerate

so that the mixture can rise without running over the sides. Melt the chocolate in a double boiler.

Whisk egg yolks with rum and confectioners' sugar until fluffy. Pour in the melted chocolate. Whisk the egg whites,

granulated sugar and a pinch of salt until half stiff, and carefully fold about one-third of the egg white mixture into the chocolate mixture.

Combine the breadcrumbs, ladyfinger crumbs and milk and fold into the chocolate mixture, then fold in the nuts and the rest of the egg whites. Fill the molds three-quarters full with the mixture. Fill a deep baking tray with about 2 cm of water (or use a double boiler) and place the molds in the water. Bake in a preheated oven at 170°C for 20 min.

#### CHOCOLATE SAUCE

Heat the milk, cream, sugar and vanilla bean in a saucepan over low heat.

Remove the vanilla bean and melt the finely chopped chocolate in the mixture. Whip butter with an electric mixer till fluffy and pour in chocolate mixture, stirring regularly.

Pour in cognac for extra aroma. Loosen the small cakes from their molds and arrange on plates. Pour on the warm chocolate sauce, and decorate with whipped cream.

### **Puzzle answers**

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Pub quiz: 1 Saigon, 2 Dominican Republic, 3 Poland, 4 Dream Cruises, 5 Brasilia, 6 South Australia, 7 AirAsia X, 8 Utah, 9 Bega Valley, 10 c) \$7.2 million

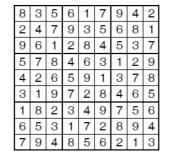
Icon under a microscope - Petra, Jordan

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Pub quiz: 1 Saigon, 2 Dominican Republic, 3 Copper, 4 Taipei, 5 c) Java, 6 The eruption of Krakatoa, 7 Stuart Highway, 8 Four – three cyclones and the city's bombing in the Battle of Darwin, 9 Switzerland, 10 Sydney

Seen it at the movies: The Matrix

Sudoku:



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Pub quiz: 1 Thailand, 2 Ho Chi Minh City, 3 Dominican Republic and Haiti, 4 Indonesia, 5 Ecuador 6 b) 60 metres, 7 Adelaide, 8 Los Angeles, 9 Darling Harbour, 10 Murray River

Where in the world: Guggenheim Museum, New York, USA

Unscramble: cell, cello, cere, cert, clot, coerce, cole, collect, colt, core, cote, creel, creole, croc, elect, elector, electro, erect, lector, recce, RECOCLLECT, recto, tercel, torc

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Whose flag is this: Greece

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