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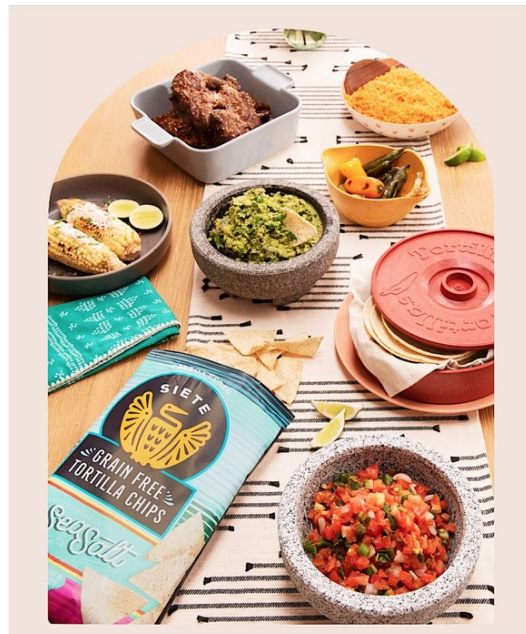
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Must-haves to refresh your home.



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Highlight everything that makes you, you.



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WOUR PICKS

This vintage wallet has four pockets so you don't get overwhelmed when you need your cash.

So you want your laptop, files, and a passport after take-off? Here is a sleeve with much more.

British designer Margo's case has pockets for an iPad mini and an old-fashioned journal.

Card fans: a handy holder for those methods.

Baggy pouches correct your lip buds, and keep hairballs off the road in situations that tend to go MIA.

THERE'S A BAG FOR THAT

We've come a long way from basic duffels and rollers. These new pouches and cases ensure everything has its place.

—ANDREW RICHDALE

Clockwise from top: Smythson currency case, \$220, smythson.com; Essential document sleeve, \$25, hampstead.com; Essential document case, \$16, smythson.com; Baggy small pouch, \$20, baggy.com; Margo iPad mini case, \$112, smythson.com; This is Grounds coffee tumbler, \$25 for a three-pack, thisisground.com.

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EAT, DRINK, BE MERRY!

1 A hand-drawn label from Sacramento's Health-Care doesn't just describe salad—it's a new frontier. Check out the label and logo, \$18, health-care.com

2 Our food editors are big on great breads, but these days Mountain makes an exception. \$28 for 7 (14 oz.) jars, bunchesandbunches.com

3 Wylie Howell was a whiskey distiller in North California, and his brand is named after the maker's bootlegging grandpa. 40% grain alcohol, \$120, wyliehowell.com

4 Just toast this wine preserver's handle through the cork, about 45 seconds, and your wine will keep for weeks. If not months. \$29, cork.com

5 When you travel, hand sanitizer is a must. Our new grapefruit and orange hand sanitizer is \$14, hand.com

6 Health food is a smart marketing fit—this container is worth its salt. Olive wood oil soap, \$49.95, olive.com. Salt bar soap, \$4.50, olive.com

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Food & wine clubs

SUNSET WINE CLUB The next best thing to being a sommelier is wine club. Getting two bottles delivered to your door from Sunset Wine Club's International Wine Awards each month, \$300/3 months, sunsetwineclub.com

WINE COFFEE ROASTERS A San Francisco favorite delivers the coffee—special award-winning blends—without the crowds. \$24/12 months, wines.com

VENISONO CHEESE LOVERS CLUB This San Diego club sends three cheeses a month, and just the right amount of venison. The perfect crack. \$39/3 months, venison.com

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STOCKING STUFFERS

1 The like enthusiast in your life can't get enough of this bright, clear hand soap. Pattern like his. \$22, pattern.com

2 These night (and night) candle magnets are a thing to get your hands on. \$24, magnets.com

3 Our garden editors have been awarded, sorry to work against—and we will pay for your garden. \$18, garden.com

4 Made with raw honey and a touch of vanilla, this is a skin, these slightly sticky candles have a warm, deep sweetness. Honey candles, from \$8 to \$14, honey.com

5 Let a special someone wake up and smell the roses in this adorable, soft, with an orange and a touch of vanilla. \$12, wake.com

6 Duct tape is all you need for all your little projects. \$12, duct.com

7 A sample of soft, clean French white fruit candles from San Francisco that of these include bright winter flowers like orange, blueberry, and passion fruit. \$8, candle.com

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Donations that keep giving

NATURE BRIDGE This Yosemite-based group takes inner city kids on wilderness trips all over the West. naturebridge.com

GLOBAL PRESS INSTITUTE The U.S. nonprofit trains women in developing countries to become journalists. globalpressinstitute.org

REDWOODS LEAGUE It's long been devoted to preserving the West's National parks. redwoodsleague.org

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY One of our garden editors' favorite organizations works hard to protect and restore the state's native flora. cnp.org

KISA Connect across global and cross-generational via the internet. Through this IP-based game grid, you can lend as little as \$25 to someone living in poverty or be or she can launch an income-generating project. kisa.org

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COMFORT+JOY=HOME

1) For friends wanting a holiday getaway, but stuck with a creature a checked-out house that whippers "luxurious cabin" things. These \$220. thehouseweaver.com

2) The best way to go to the big game? Great owners with a hand-cut olive-wood porch of the family porch. If you're not available, 20 custom portraits on request. \$90. brooklynship.com

3) This custom retro-advice wrap-up in the shape of the owner's home state - will turn into a hand-etched thank-you note. \$60. paperprints.bigapple.com

4) This extra-wide non-pedal copper travel is as useful as it is beautiful. Color: \$168. stephan.com

5) The wouldn't enjoy eating in the wild, warm-up pairs at the end of a hard, cold day - we're not their names. Fun for \$100. misterhudson.com

6) We love the fact that these front-enders from San Diego are made by the people who made the best of the west. They go especially well with a good cup of coffee. www.fox.com

7) Inspired by our crystal, ceramic vessels from L.A. A hand-drawn is based on the fact that they go especially well with a good cup of coffee. www.fox.com

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Garden memberships

HUNTINGTON LIBRARY In San Marino, CA, 120 acres of art and gardens, including a desert area that will have you parking, not on palm and cacti for days. www.huntington.org

JAPANESE GARDEN (PORTLAND) In the heart of the city, this is a peaceful spot to wander and contemplate your round. www.japanesegarden.com

DENVER BOTANICAL GARDENS The tropical conservatory offers a model of drought-tolerant landscaping, and a welcome respite from cold winters. www.denverbotanical.org

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BEAUTIFUL, USEFUL, LIFE-CHANGING

Our staffers struggle to read the Electric Scooter. It's a nice bike. This pedal, but a battery offers extra oomph - 30 miles of no sweat for just \$2,200. www.electricscooter.com

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GIFT GUIDE

We've decked the halls, checked the shops and seen the sites. Here's what our travel, food, home and garden editors are giving this season.

Photographs by JEFFREY CROSS

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GOOD TO GO

1) A travel bag inspired by the classic 50s-style leather bag. The leather is hand-dyed. \$140. www.refinery.com

2) Soft, smart, and absolutely made for travel. The Patagonia's 100% cotton t-shirt is a classic. \$22. www.patagonia.com

3) The adventures of your list may take a right or a left, but these phones will be with the best. Cases for most cases. LifeProof iPhone case. \$79.95. www.lifeproof.com

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Amazing adventures

CAMP GROUNDED No cell phones, computers, or kids allowed. It's just adults having fun as they digitally detox. At this Anderson Valley, California, summer camp for grown-ups, hikes, yoga, and creative writing classes are on the agenda. www.campgrounded.com

RED ROCK MUSCLE EXPERIENCE Make a mountain-top escape with 30 miles behind the wheel on a guided drive through Red Rock Canyon near Las Vegas. In three classic cars, including a Corvette Z06. \$200 per person. www.redrockmuscle.com

CLAYDQUOT WILDERNESS RESORT These romantic and rustic luxury retreats on Vancouver Island are worth the airplane ride, and the airplane. It's camping without all that pesky... camping. Three nights, all-inclusive. From \$1,450 per person. www.claydquot.com

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FROM THE EDITOR

THE SPIRIT OF SEATTLE

AT AFAR, WE BELIEVE in celebrating wildly ambitious ideas and plucky people. (We are the ones who started a travel magazine in 2000!) This spring, when I traveled to Seattle for our fourth AFAR Experiences event, we were surrounded by innovators. The chef and restaurateur Brian Ertel, whose empire includes the award-winning oyster bar The Walrus and the Carpenter, produced our opening night party at Pike Place Market by inviting in her favorite local purveyors. Megan Isoper brought a group of us into the headquarters of Sub Pop, the influential record label where she serves as executive vice president. Author—and early Amazon employee—Langdon Cook took us on a foraging expedition through rainy Seward Park. And Margaret O'Mara, a professor of history at the University of Washington, spoke to our group about the climate of entrepreneurship that defines Seattle's past, present, and future. In Seattle there's a palpable sense that people are driven by

their passions, which more often than not blossom into successful businesses. In this issue, we set out to find the people who bring that spirit to the world of travel. In "The 2014 Travel Vanguard," on page 42, we cover the people and ideas redefining travel today: the disruptors and mavericks who are turning cruise ships into boutique hotels, teaching us how to be more conscientious and thoughtful travelers, and flying amateur astronauts (like you!) into space. The common thread across this group of change-makers: passion and an unshakable confidence in their ideas. Much like what we witnessed in Seattle. These are our kind of people.

TRAVEL WELL.

Julia
Julia Coagrove
Editor in Chief

Join us in Austin City Limits October 10-12 at our next AFAR Experiences event. Visit afar.com/experiences.

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FOR ADVENTURERS

Be prepared for anything, especially fun.

1. The M Lamp runs for 40 hours per charge and can be charged anywhere. \$200, store.sony.com

2. Carry On has 13 smaller board options to fit 128 items. Includes canvas pack. \$129, www.carryon.com

3. Mission Bicycle's helmet is forged from ash wood and has an easy-to-close magnet chin-strap clip. \$70, missionbicycle.com

4. Designer David Irwin gives the 19th-century miner's lamp an LED update. \$220, spulprator.com

5. The inflatable Marina Air paddleboard's width makes it extra stable for beginners. \$1,500, rainbow.com

6. Handpainted color blocks on the wooden handle of the Opinel Whiskey Knife look like signal flags. \$48, sonos.com

7. Survival tools specialist Solrice designed the ultimate kit for every emergency. \$170, bestmadeco.com

8. Scott's new Linc goggles have a fog-free lens and customizable fit. \$150, scott-sports.com

9. The pocket size air water purifier filters, kills, and kills microbial nasties. \$250, store.sony.com

10. What gift will you be giving this holiday? Skateboarding legend Tony Hawk wants to give the new Sony Action Cam Mini. "It's the smallest camera that can deliver the best quality," he says. "I even mounted one on the bottom of my skateboard and it wasn't obstructed." \$250, store.sony.com

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FOR MEN

A taste of the good life.

1. The leather one comes from a Glasgow company that has been tanning for three generations. \$105, newbalance.com

2. The hat's merino wool lining keeps ears warm. \$670, hormas.com

3. JC new tool to coats worn by the British Royal Navy when designing the Toggle Coat for its Wallace & Barnes line. \$475, jcrew.com

4. A Scottish leatherwear manufacturer and a 60-year-old pewter business collaborated on the flask and its case. \$104, laufmann-mercuriale.com

5. The curved links of the Anchor Chronograph Steel Wave Link watch evoke the surf off the shore of Skagen, Denmark. \$245, skagen.com

6. Icelandic brewery Einstok bottles a Viking version of American Pale Ale. \$12 per six-pack, einstokbeer.com

7. Waxed fabric makes the Ruckus a No. 25 weather resistant. \$50, gallraven.us

8. Hit the trails in style with New Balance's hiking boot. \$105, newbalance.com

9. The watch is made of stainless steel and has a black dial. \$105, newbalance.com

10. Where would you like to go this holiday? "Burns remains undiscovered," says Tom Marchant, co-founder of the UK-based travel company Black Tomato. "It locates the temples of Eagan and visit the remote hill village surrounding Lake Laka, then head to the mountains, where you can find vineyards and wineries such as Mine Track."

11. New Balance update to hiking boot with genuine nubuck and a fuzzy and hair. \$105, newbalance.com

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FOR KIDS
You're never too young to be a global citizen.

Designed in France, this vintage-inspired truck is constructed with two hollers and a hill.

Nature Whimsy is an eco-friendly metal woodier made in a studio in the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Designer Christine Clark uses blue cotton poplin in downtown L.A.

TASTEMAKER PICKS
Where do you want to take the family this holiday?
Leigh Rowden, cofounder of the San Francisco-based children's clothing company Tea Collection, wants to book a multi-stop family trip to South Africa and Botswana with the active travel outfitter Backroads. "I would love to hike among penguins and zebras, and I'm sure my kids would, too." From \$7,000, tea-travel.com

1. Mobiles this beautiful aren't just for baby's room. \$250, footeakes.com 2. A family in Mexico's Bajío region has been hand-stitching wool kittens, pigs, and other animals for three generations. \$32, monzeriah.blogspot.com 3. Baja ponchos feature kangaroo-style pockets. \$68, shopboyandgirl.com 4. Kids can play fire chef in this foot-powered truck. \$250, nbaeyarochid.com 5. Worried about your kids eating the Play-Doh? Eco-Dough is made from extracts of organic fruit, vegetables, and plants. \$20 per five-pack, wildfill.com 6. Rock climbers can get their little ones hooked early with carabineer-shaped rattles. \$65, knotworkbigear.com

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FOR BOOKWORMS
Feed your curious mind.

TASTEMAKER PICKS
Where do you want to go this holiday?
"I want to go to the French Alps and ride my bike on the legendary Tour de France climbs, including the Alpe d'Huez," says Thatcher Wine, founder of Juniper Books in Boulder, Colorado, which curates private libraries and designs custom book jackets. "Then I'd fly home via London so I could do some antiquarian book shopping."

1. **GRAFICA** THE ART OF ITALY LOUISE FITLI

2. **THE WOODBOOK**

3. **MEXICO THE COOKBOOK** MARGARITA GARRILLO ABRONTE

4. **WHAT TO TALK ABOUT**

5. **Plant-Powered BEAUTY**

1. Typographer needs will love graphic designer Louise Fitli's catalog of artsy Italian signs. \$25 2. This book reproduces late 19th-century naturalist Romeyn Beck Hough's collection of the wood gases of every American tree. \$20 3. Margarita Carrillo Abronte spent 30 years researching Mexican food. The result: 700 authentic recipes from across the country. \$50 4. The debut cookbook from chef Christopher Kostow of Meadowood in Napa Valley, California, is an homage to the region's artisans, farmers, and landscapes. \$50 5. AFAR contributor Chris Collin explains how to make compelling small talk in any situation. \$16 6. Novelist Haruki Murakami delves into a man's obsession with why he was ostracized by a group of friends in his youth. \$26 Books available on amazon.com

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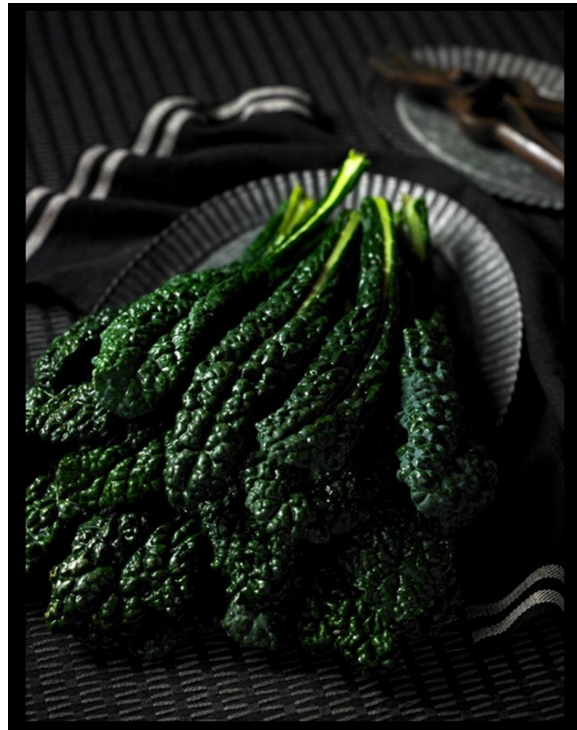
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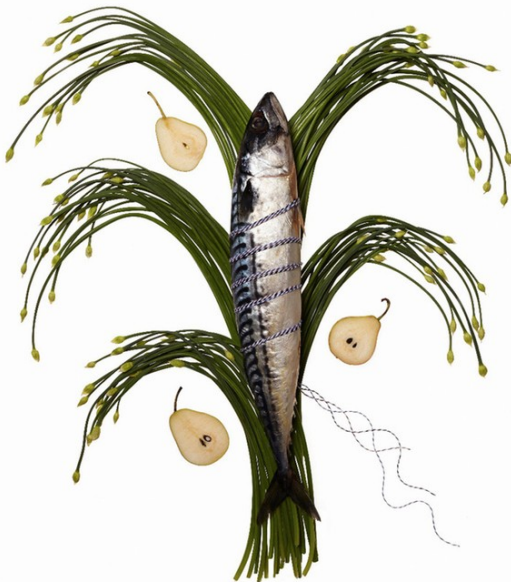
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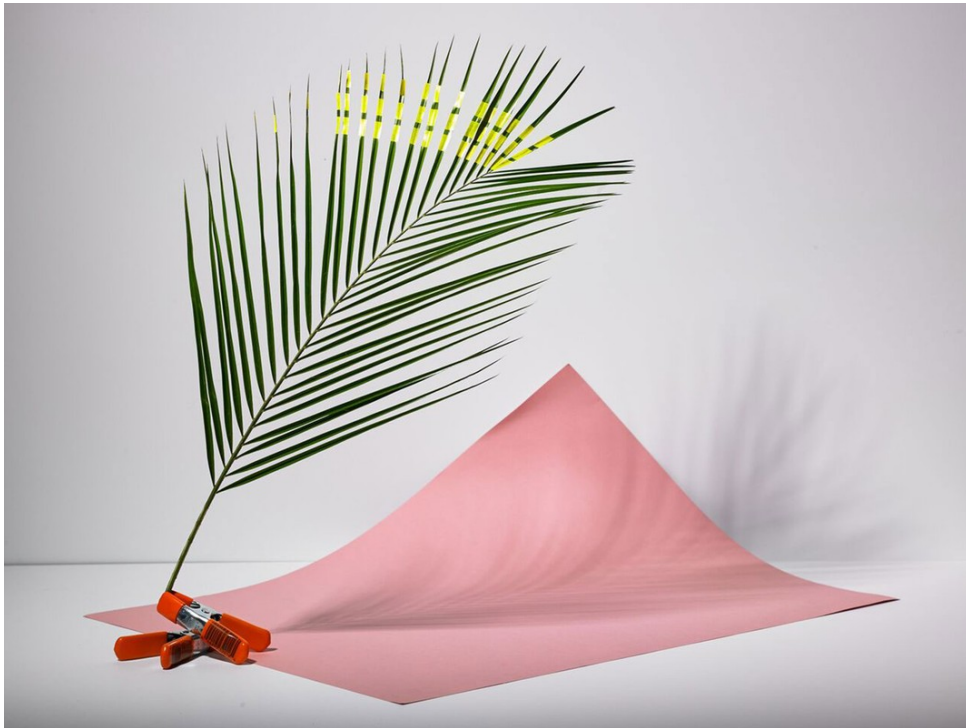
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