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# *From the* Editor

## **The Relentless Pursuit of Enjoyment**

Reject Average was never meant to be a brand. It began as a simple idea, a way to turn ordinary days into extraordinary memories. Over the past fifteen years, I've done more than five hundred adventures across all 50 states and now more than seventy-three countries. I've shared nearly two hundred of them with Reject Average members, and along the way I discovered something powerful. Experiences are the best collector's item in the world.

For nearly ten years, Reject Average has been a private non-profit club built on one simple belief: life is too short to settle for average. What started as a few friends saying yes to spontaneous adventures grew into a community of "Experience Collectors". Now, it has evolved into this magazine, and a chance to share that same philosophy with the world. I have always been relentless in my career and my creative pursuits, but the real balance came when I brought that same drive to find joy in all parts of my life. The Relentless Pursuit of Enjoyment became my personal mantra.

This magazine reflects that pursuit. It is not a corporate venture, it is passion put onto paper. My goal is to inspire people to see the world, to collect moments, and to live fully. This is a magazine to be read, intended to be held, and designed to inspire you to seek adventure and experience as part of your life, not as a break from it.

Reject Average is built on three principles:  
Collecting Experiences, The Relentless Pursuit of Enjoyment, and Invitation Creates Motivation.

That last one matters most to me because it reminds us that we do not have to wait to feel inspired. If you create and share the invitation, you create the opportunity. So here is my invitation to you:

Collect experiences. Reject the average. Join us in our relentless pursuit of enjoyment.

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Brant overlooking the El Yeso Reservoir outside Santiago, Chile.  
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# F.A.V.E Score

By Megan Boshoff

## How We Measure the Experiences Worth Collecting

After more than five hundred adventures across six continents, the same three questions kept showing up.

Should I do it?

Will I like it?

Was it worth it?

It really started as a personal challenge. Brant Pinvidic, our founder, wanted a better way to explain why an experience hits, or why it quietly disappoints, before

you spend the time, money, and energy. Over time, that framework evolved into something more concrete and tangible: "The FAVE Score™"

Today, nearly every adventure, resort, and destination featured in Reject Average is measured by the same standard. It's our proprietary rating system, it's our version of the Michelin Star, and it's how we identify the world's most extraordinary experiences.



## What F.A.V.E. Means

### FUN

The joy factor. Did it make you light up, laugh, feel fully present.

### ADVENTURE

The edge. How bold, unique, intense, or story worthy it really is.

### VALUE

The adventure ROI. Not just cost, the feeling of what you got for what you spent.

### EASE

The friction. Logistics, time, difficulty, discomfort, travel grind, planning load.



## The FAVE Score™ Ratings

9+

### MUST DO

These are the crown jewels of The Experience Collection: the ones you plan a trip around.

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### WORTH THE TRIP

Absolutely excellent in pretty much every way. A great add on to any trip!

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### FUN BUT FORGETTABLE

These are the trips you'll enjoy, but it might not make your highlight reel.

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### SKIP IT

There's too much world out there to waste time on average.



## THE BEAUTY OF THE FAVE SCORE™

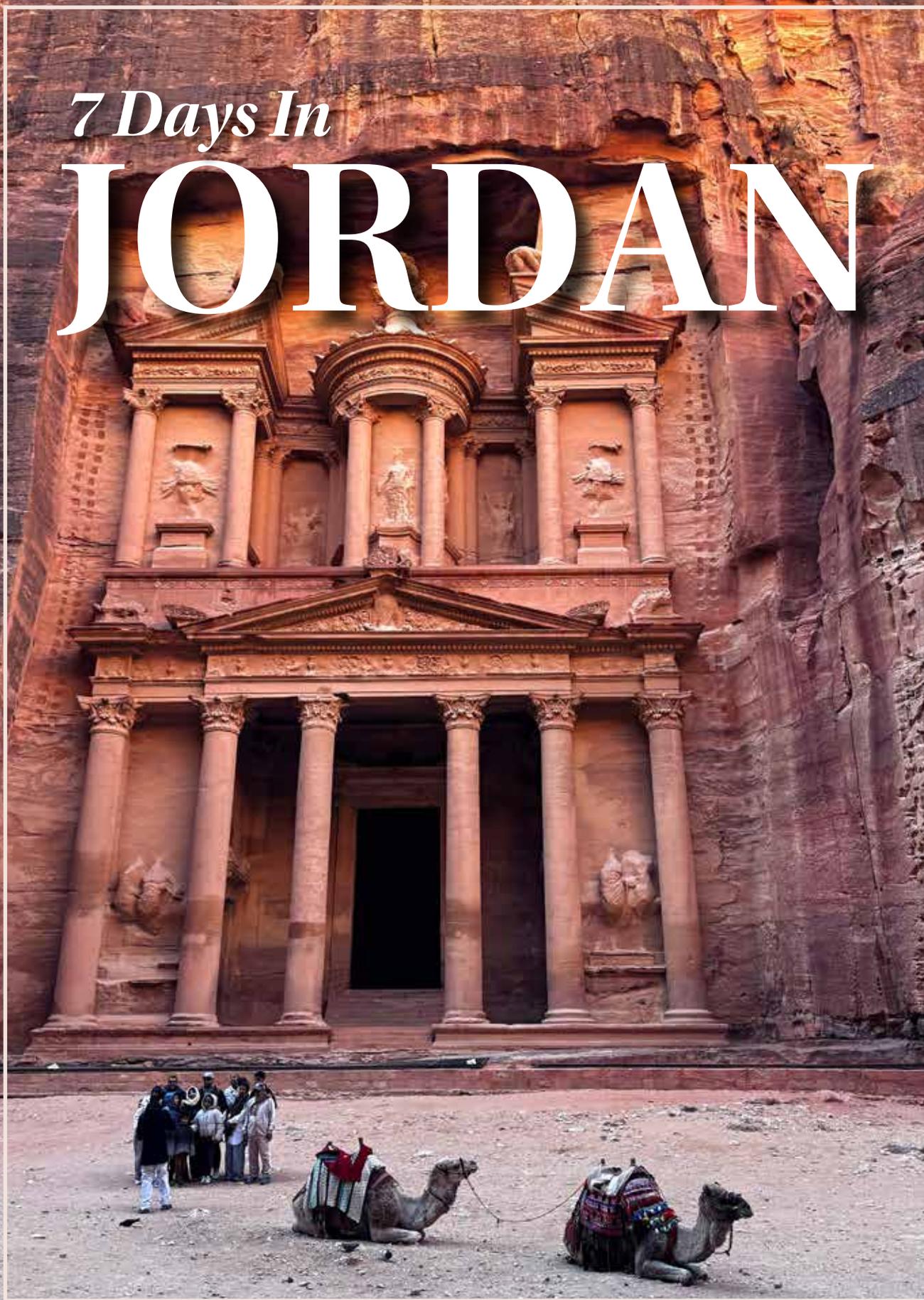
For us, the FAVE Score™ isn't about perfection or chasing a rating. It's about understanding trade-offs. Some experiences are wildly fun but take serious effort to reach. Others are easy and beautiful but come with a higher price tag. Some are affordable and accessible but only truly shine if you go with the right people or the right guide. By breaking an experience down into Fun, Adventure, Value, and Ease, the FAVE Score™ gives context. It helps you see the ratio. A trip that scores big on Fun but poorly on Effort might still be worth it, you just want to know what you're signing up for. Likewise, something that is easy and affordable but only moderately fun can still be perfect depending on your time, energy, or who you're traveling with. The score isn't a verdict. It's information.

## WHY IT MATTERS

Most ratings flatten everything into one final verdict. The FAVE Score™ keeps the tradeoffs clear and visible. What most people want is clarity. Not all great experiences need to be easy. Not every expensive experience is overrated. And not every unforgettable day comes wrapped in convenience. Travel is ultimately personal. The FAVE Score™ simply helps you decide what kind of experience you want to collect next, based on how much effort, time, and investment you want to trade for how alive it makes you feel.



*7 Days In*  
**JORDAN**



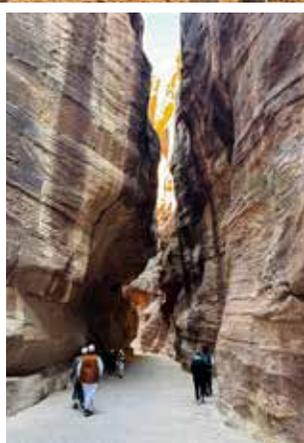


## A complete, tested, and unforgettable itinerary

If you're thinking about traveling to Jordan, this seven-day itinerary shows you exactly how to experience the country at its best.

Jordan often looks familiar in photos. Petra carved into red stone. Camels moving across Wadi Rum. People floating effortlessly in the Dead Sea. But being there feels entirely different. Jordan is a place where ancient civilizations left fingerprints everywhere, where hospitality feels instinctive rather than transactional, and where a modern Middle Eastern nation blends warmth, ease, and history in a way that surprises most first-time visitors.

This is a country that recalibrates your sense of time and scale. It feels welcoming immediately, yet reveals deeper layers the longer you stay. Here is how to experience it properly.



### Day 1: Arrive in Amman

Your journey begins in Amman, Jordan's capital, spread across rolling hills and continuously inhabited for nearly nine thousand years. This is where ancient and modern Jordan meet.

Spend your first day exploring the city's historical anchors, the Roman Theater carved into the hillside, the Citadel with its sweeping views and ruins, and the lively streets filled with cafés, bakeries, and markets. Amman introduces you to the rhythm of Jordanian life, relaxed, social, and deeply rooted in tradition, while still feeling unmistakably modern.

This is a soft landing day. Let the city orient you before heading south.

### Day 2: The Dead Sea

From Amman, travel to the Dead Sea and check into a resort directly on the shoreline. Staying onsite matters here.

The Dead Sea sits more than 1,400 feet below sea level, the lowest land elevation on earth. Its water is nearly ten times saltier than the ocean, making floating effortless, almost comical. The sensation is not so much floating as being pushed upward by the water itself.

After floating, cover yourself in the mineral-rich black mud found along the shore, a local tradition believed to rejuvenate skin and muscles. The experience feels surreal and calming at the same time. Standing at the water's edge feels like stepping into a geological anomaly that exists nowhere else.

## Days 3 and 4:

### Wadi Rum, Desert Immersion

Leave the city behind and drive south into Wadi Rum, one of the most dramatic desert landscapes on earth.

The transition is striking. Roads stretch into vast openness. Sandstone cliffs rise directly from the desert floor. The scale becomes impossible to photograph properly. This is the same terrain used as a stand-in for Mars in films like *Dune*, *The Martian*, and *Star Wars*, and it feels every bit as otherworldly in person.

Stay inside the protected desert area in a dome or bubble camp, where panoramic windows open directly onto the landscape. At night, the desert becomes silent and expansive, with stars filling the sky in a way most travelers have never experienced.

Wake early for a camel ride at sunrise, when the light softens and the desert feels calm and ancient. Later, explore the area on foot, hiking among sandstone peaks, natural arches, and narrow canyons carved by wind over thousands of years. The climbs are steady rather than technical, rewarding you with wide views across valleys and rock formations that seem to stretch forever.

Wadi Rum is not about checking off sights. It is about time, space, and stillness.

## Days 5 and 6:

### Petra, Beyond the Postcard

Petra is Jordan's crown jewel and one of the New Seven Wonders of the World, but most visitors only see a fraction of it.

Arrive early on your first day. Walk through the Siq, the narrow canyon that slowly reveals the Treasury, Petra's iconic façade carved directly into rose-colored stone more than 2,300 years ago. With thoughtful timing and a guide, you avoid the heaviest crowds and experience Petra in a quieter, more personal way.

Go beyond the Treasury. Hike to the High Place of Sacrifice, where sweeping views reveal the true scale of the ancient city, temples, tombs, and trade routes etched into the surrounding mountains. Explore by horseback through lesser-traveled sections with local guides whose families have lived among these cliffs for generations.

On your second day, go deeper. Petra is not a monument, it is a vast archaeological city. Walk the trails that lead to the Royal Tombs, climb stone staircases toward elevated viewpoints, and notice the details, water channels carved into rock, intricate façades, and engineering far ahead of its time.

What stays with most travelers is not only the history, but the people. Along the paths, locals offer tea, directions turn into conversations, and small moments of generosity appear naturally. Petra feels alive because it still is.

## Day 7:

### Goodbye, Jordan

Your final morning begins with a traditional Jordanian breakfast, simple, generous, and deeply tied to the country's culture. Take your time.

Before departing, reflect on the arc of the week. In seven days, you have explored a modern capital, floated in a geological wonder, crossed a cinematic desert, and walked through one of the most important archaeological sites on earth.

Jordan leaves an impression in layers. Its landmarks are extraordinary, but it is the warmth of its people that elevates the experience. Proud, welcoming, and genuinely happy to share their home, Jordanians turn a great itinerary into a lasting memory.

This is not just a place you visit. It is a place you carry with you.





# WINTER PARK, CO

There's a funny thing that happens when you talk about Colorado ski towns, people jump straight to the big names. Vail, Aspen, Breckenridge. They're beautiful, no question, but they can also be, well, a bit much. The traffic, the parking, the reservations, the prices, the crowds, it can feel like you need a vacation from your vacation.

That's why Winter Park, Colorado, feels like a secret you want to keep but can't. It's the mountain town that delivers everything you dream about when you picture the Rockies, towering peaks, wide open trails, charming downtown energy, without the ego.

Just 90 minutes from Denver, it's the easiest major ski destination in the state to reach, and somehow it's still managed to keep its down to earth soul. Winter Park is the kind of place where locals still wave when you pass, where the lift lines move fast, and where après-ski means genuine conversation instead of influencer photo ops. There's a timeless mountain town charm here that feels authentic.

The town sits right on the edge of the Continental Divide, which not only makes for epic views but also sets up one of the most diverse winter playgrounds in Colorado. Sure, the ski mountain is world class, with 3,000 acres, endless runs, and snow so good it almost feels curated, but the real magic of Winter Park lies in its balance. It's big enough to be exciting, but not so polished that it loses its grit. Families, adventurers, and diehards all blend here without stepping on each other's snow boots.

That's the beauty of Winter Park, it's more than just a ski town. It's a full spectrum experience. The food scene has quietly leveled up, with spots like Deno's and Volario's showing you what mountain cuisine can be. The après game hits the sweet spot too. You can sip craft cocktails fireside or keep it casual with a local brew, all without fighting traffic or high cover charges. And when the day winds down, you're minutes from your room, feeling like part of the mountain community. Winter Park's magic is how easy everything feels.

The drive from Denver is simple, no detours or white-knuckle switchbacks. Once you arrive, everything just works. The mountain, the town, the trails, the people, it's all dialed in but never overproduced. That's why I keep coming back. Because while the world rushes to overhyped destinations, Winter Park just quietly keeps being incredible. It's where the Rockies still feel real, where adventure doesn't require attitude, and where your biggest challenge is deciding whether to ski, ride, or snowmobile first. Winter Park is made for adventurers who want world class experiences without the world class hassle. Perfect for families, couples, or anyone who loves snow and hates pretense.

If you head to Winter Park this season, stay at Winter Park Chateau or one of the luxe mountain rentals, and book the Continental Divide Tour with Grand Adventures. Tell them you're part of the Reject Average Experience Collection, they'll know exactly what you're after.



## WINTER PARK

# Local GUIDE

The Hidden Jewel of the Rockies: Why this Colorado classic might just outshine Vail and Breckenridge.

### Where to Stay: Cozy Luxury That Feels Human

If you want a base that feels boutique and intimate, your best bet is Winter Park Chateau. It's the only full luxury boutique hotel right downtown, combining Victorian charm, cozy fireplaces, and thoughtful details like private entrances and high end amenities. Staying there, you get both walkability and comfort. You're close to the lifts, restaurants, and shops without feeling like you're in a resort bubble. The vibe is luxury you can live in, not luxury that demands you shrink yourself to fit. If you prefer something more ski in ski out or condo style, there are also many upscale rentals in Winter Park Resort's portfolio, with cabins and homes that feature hot tubs, gourmet kitchens, mountain views, and heated garages to make the stay seamless.



## MUST-TRY RESTAURANTS

Winter Park has more than 60 dining options across the area, but here are a few standouts you don't want to miss:

- 01 Deno's Mountain Bistro** in downtown Winter Park is frequently voted the top restaurant in Grand County. The menu is elevated yet approachable, with creative flavors and warm service.
- 02 Randi's Grill & Pub** is a spectacular rustic Irish pub in the heart of Winter Park. Randi's blends traditional comfort food, Colorado ingredients, and a lively bar scene — ideal for après-ski or relaxed mountain meals.



## The Ride of a Lifetime on the Divide

If you really want to understand Winter Park, skip the lift line one morning and head off the grid. Go snowmobiling to the top of the Continental Divide with Grand Adventures.

I've done it multiple times and it never gets old. You climb from town to nearly 12,000 feet of elevation, winding through dense pine forests, open meadows, and wide frozen valleys.

The guides handle everything, gear, instruction, and safety, so you can focus on what matters, that surreal moment when you burst above the treeline and the world opens up beneath you. The snowmobiles are powerful but easy to ride,

and the pace is perfect for both first timers and thrill seekers. On clear days, you can see all the way across the Fraser Valley with the Rockies stretching endlessly in every direction. It's one of those experiences that reminds you why we chase adventure in the first place, it makes you feel small in the best possible way.

I've snowmobiled in Alaska, Whistler, and the Tetons, but the Grand Adventures Continental Divide tour sits at the top of my list for pure accessibility and reward. You start minutes from town, and within an hour, you're standing on top of the world.

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*"Standing on the Continental Divide, snowmobile idling beside me, looking out over a hundred miles of untouched white. That view doesn't just stick with you, it redefines what "mountain high" means."*

- 03 **Vertical Bistro** in the Village at Winter Park Resort serves locally sourced plates and craft cocktails right on the mountain.
- 04 For a special night, **Ranch House Restaurant & Saloon** at Devil's Thumb Ranch brings ranch raised Wagyu and western fine dining together in a setting that overlooks the Divide.
- 05 If you want casual, try **The Ditch on 40**, a local favorite with killer burgers, sandwiches, and New Mexico style chile that hits the spot every time.



# Shark *Diving* In Fiji

By Brant Pivodic

The Most Unique  
Scuba Diving Experience  
in the World

I have been a certified open water diver for more than a decade, diving coral reefs, swimming with dolphins, and drifting through some of the most beautiful underwater scenes on the planet.

To be honest, though, scuba diving has never been my favorite adventure.

It can feel like underwater sightseeing, calm, quiet, sometimes a little too passive for the kind of adventure I crave, and when I dive with family or friends, I usually slip into guide mode instead of enjoy mode.

*That all changed in Fiji.*

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**Nothing could have prepared me for what it feels like to sit on the ocean floor surrounded by more than 50 sharks.**

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The dive is operated by Beqa Adventure Divers in Pacific Harbour and takes place in the Shark Reef Marine Reserve, a protected sanctuary that has become one

of the most famous shark diving sites in the world. The company works with local villages and marine conservation groups to protect sharks and fund sustainable reef management.

Up to eight species of sharks visit the site regularly, including bull sharks, tiger sharks, lemon sharks, grey reef sharks, silvertip sharks, and blacktip reef sharks.

After a short briefing at the dive shop, we headed out into open water. The boat stopped above a patch of reef about twenty minutes from shore, in what looked like the middle of nowhere.

Once the anchor dropped, we descended straight down to a hundred feet.

No swimming around, no wandering, just a controlled drop to the ocean floor. There, we knelt in a line of ten divers, shoulder to shoulder, our instructors behind us holding long dive sticks that looked like props from an Aquaman movie.

*And then the show began.*





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*"Imagine that, one day you learn to scuba dive, the next you are face to face with a wall of sharks."*

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A diver they call "the puppet master" appeared above us holding a stainless steel box filled with tuna scraps. With a slow, steady motion, he tilted the box from side to side. The water erupted. Sharks came pouring in from every direction, bull sharks, tigers, lemons, gliding through the water like fighter jets, brushing past us with the ease of total control.

You could feel the current of their movement against your body. The puppet master continued to tease the sharks, tipping the box back and forth, while our guides stood guard, gently nudging any curious shark that came too close. At one point my son took a shark fin across his face that nearly knocked his mask off, and he loved every second of it. Despite the intensity, I felt safe. The instructors were calm, the sharks were focused on the tuna, and the whole scene was a stunning ballet of motion and instinct. My smile was so wide it was hard to keep the regulator in my mouth. After surfacing, everyone on the boat was buzzing. Each diver told their version of the story, as if no one

else had been there, replaying the same breathtaking moments from slightly different angles. Then we went back for dive number two.

This time, the puppet master brought the tuna box right above us. Sharks swirled so close that you could see the texture of their skin, the rhythm of their breathing. It was a full sensory overload, equal parts awe and adrenaline.

My son and I have shared a lot of adventures, but this one was different. It felt like witnessing nature at its rawest and most powerful. Fiji is a bucket list destination for divers, but this experience should be at the very top. It transforms scuba diving from passive observation into pure, heart-pounding adventure. For some on our boat, it was literally their first time, a few divers had earned their certification that very morning, and their final qualifying dive was with fifty sharks. Imagine that, one day you learn to scuba dive, the next you are face to face with a wall of sharks. It is the kind of experience you can't explain, you have to feel it. And once you do, every other dive feels a little quiet.

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*In the protected waters of the Shark Reef Marine Reserve come face to face with up to 8 species of sharks and up to 450 species of fish. This dive is truly a shark lovers dream come true.*





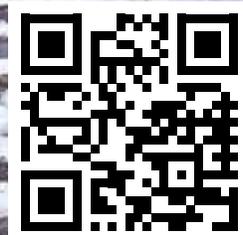
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# SnowBiking

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THE ONLY THING I WANT TO DO THIS WINTER

WHISTLER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

# Next Level *Unlocked*

All the thrill of a dirt bike, all the freedom of powder skiing, and none of the limits.

When I tell people that snow biking is my favorite winter activity, they usually picture me pedaling a fat-tire bicycle through the snow. That could not be further from the truth.

Anyone who knows me knows that pedaling, whether on flat ground or uphill, is not my idea of a good time. Adding snow to that mix would only make it worse. When I say snowbiking, I mean the kind where a dirt bike becomes a snow machine, the tires replaced with a snowmobile track in the back and a ski in the front. Combine that with deep powder, and you have one of the most unique, powerful, and addictive winter experiences imaginable. I often joke that I would leave any activity at any moment to get on a snowbike. And I mean it.

To give you some context, I am not a great dirt bike rider. The last time I rode a dirt bike, I broke five ribs and my collarbone, so I am far from a seasoned pro. But snowbiking is different. It gives you the horsepower and thrill of a dirt bike with the freedom and flow of powder skiing. You are floating on snow, not crashing through dirt, and it feels like flying.

There is something about that combination of raw power and smooth glide that I can only describe as pure euphoria. It gives you all the best parts of skiing: the turns, the powder, the adrenaline, but you are not limited to downhill runs. You can go sideways, climb back up, carve across untouched valleys, and keep looping through the same powder field until there is nothing left untouched.

One of my favorite memories was dropping into a massive untouched bowl with a few friends. Our guide, Geoff Kyle, gave us the signal, and we took off. For two straight hours, we rode up, down, and across that bowl, carving line after line until the entire thing looked like a topographic map of pure chaos. It was perfection.

Geoff is a legend. He was one of the original Slednecks: the crew of fearless riders who redefined what was possible on a snowmobile. He has been guiding for more than twenty-five years through the mountains of Whistler and Pemberton, and his lodge, Geoff Kyle's Freeride, is the ultimate backcountry basecamp. His machines are immaculate. Brand-new Hondas fitted with Yeti Snow MX kits, loaded into trailers, hauled



*Floating on powder with a throttle instead of poles, snowbiking redefines what winter riding can be.*

deep into the backcountry. And once you leave the main trails, you find yourself in a winter playground with no crowds, no lifts, no boundaries: just powder, freedom, and horsepower.

Geoff's style of guiding is what makes the experience truly special. You follow his line through the trees and open valleys, and without realizing it, you are learning, improving, and becoming more confident with every turn. His control, his calm, and his skill make you want to push harder and ride better.

The best part of snow biking is how forgiving it is. Falling off is part of the fun. You do not crash hard or tumble down a slope, you fall into soft powder. It is safer than dirt biking, easier on the body than skiing, and every bit as thrilling as helicopter skiing.

At midday, Geoff builds a bonfire in the snow and cooks lunch right there in the wilderness. You stand around with your friends, eating hot food, watching the fire burn down into the snow until it extinguishes itself. Then, just like that, it is time to ride again.

If you have ever ridden a dirt bike or motorcycle, and you know how to shift and steer, this will be the most fun you have ever had in snow. The learning curve is short. Within thirty minutes, you are confident. By the end of the first day, you are carving turns like a pro. The only downside? The season never feels long enough. Geoff is in high demand, and every winter I make at least five trips up to Whistler and Pemberton with Reject Average members.

It consistently earns one of our highest ratings a FAVE Score of 9.3 and if the learning curve were a bit shorter, it might just be a perfect 10.

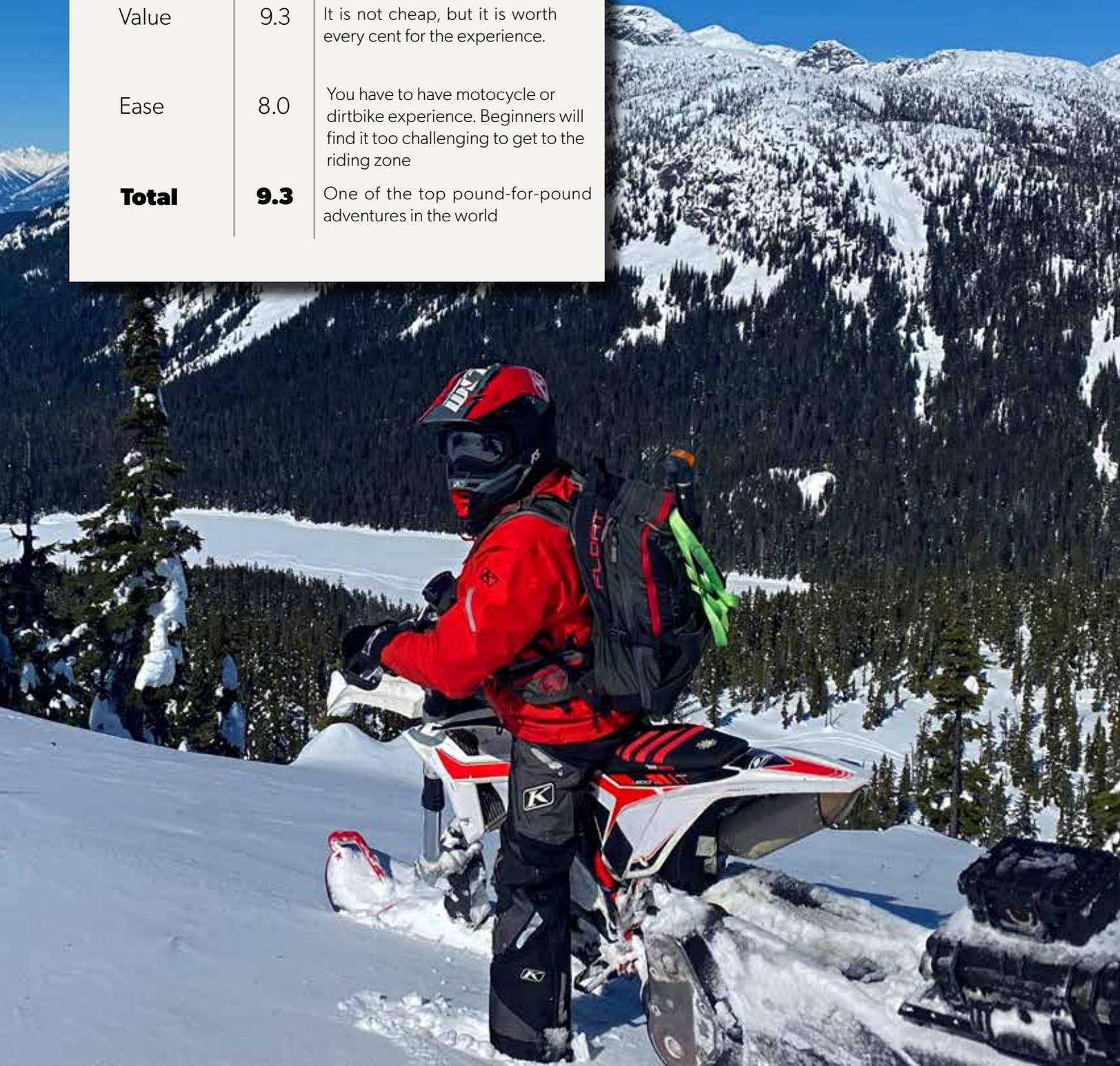
Snowbiking is the one thing I cannot wait to do each winter. Once you have done it, everything else feels like a warm up.

***“It is safer than dirt biking, easier on the body than skiing, and every bit as thrilling as heli-skiing.”***



## FAVE Score

Category	Score	Notes
Fun	10	Every throttle twist brings a new rush. Pure joy in motion.
Adventure	10	Deep backcountry terrain, remote bowls, and glacier vistas
Value	9.3	It is not cheap, but it is worth every cent for the experience.
Ease	8.0	You have to have motorcycle or dirtbike experience. Beginners will find it too challenging to get to the riding zone
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.3</b>	One of the top pound-for-pound adventures in the world





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# Top 10 *Single Day* Guided Adventures

People are always surprised to learn that some of my favorite adventures in the world take place in a single day.

**T**hey assume that because of the trips I plan and the scale of some of the experiences I chase, everything has to be overproduced, multi day, and extreme to get my attention. The truth is almost the opposite. I love the intensity of a great day-long adventure. The kind where you look back at the photos that night and it's hard to believe all of that happened between breakfast and dinner.

A great single day adventure stretches time. It squeezes more life out of the day, more energy out of the week, and more experience out of a trip. You feel like you lived instead of just passed through.

People are equally surprised to hear that I ever choose guided adventures at all. I don't love lines. I don't love single file. I don't love follow me energy. I like to find my own way, and as my daughter will happily tell you, she feels bad for the unlucky guide that draws me as a customer.

But every once in a while, a guide doesn't limit the experience, they unlock it.

This list is exactly that. Ten single day adventures where having a guide doesn't just help, it fundamentally makes the experience better. These are the rare days where I wouldn't do it any other way.

## 01 JETSKI2CATALINA, CALIFORNIA

This is the benchmark.

Leaving Long Beach and pointing a jet ski toward open ocean is a completely different feeling than any coastal ride. Within minutes, land disappears behind you and the Pacific opens up in every direction. Dolphins pace you. The water changes color. The scale hits you.

A guide here isn't about rules, it's about confidence, pacing, and safety in open water. They read conditions, manage the group, and know exactly how to thread the day so it feels absolutely epic instead of intimidating.

One of the best single day adventures anywhere in the world.  
[jetski2catalina.com](http://jetski2catalina.com) (see page 74)

By Brent Pinvidic

## 02 CANYONEERING THE KAWASAN RIVER, PHILIPPINES

This is pure joy.

The Kawasan River canyoneering experience is less about technical climbing and more about hours of sliding, jumping, swimming, and laughing your way downstream. It's playful, immersive, and nonstop.

The local guides set the pace perfectly. They know when to push, when to pause, and they somehow manage to capture incredible photos and video on your own phone while telling stories that turn the day into something unforgettable.

This is one of the most fun water based adventures you can do in a single day, period.

[kawasancanyoneering.com.ph](http://kawasancanyoneering.com.ph)

## 03 RAFTING THE KAITUNA RIVER, NEW ZEALAND

This river is different.

If you've seen Rotorua rafting clips online, you know the drop. What you don't see is how precise the entire run is. The guides here are funny, wildly skilled, and completely in control in a way that inspires total trust.

It's one of the few places in the world where I raft and know, without question, that I should not be the guide. The river demands respect, and the experience is better because of it.

[rotorua-rafting.co.nz](http://rotorua-rafting.co.nz)





## 04 ICELANDIC HORSEBACK RIDING WITH MR. ICELAND

There's something special about riding a horse. There's something even more special about riding an Icelandic horse across volcanic terrain with an actual Viking.

Once you meet Mr. Iceland, you realize there is no one else you want guiding you. The horses are intuitive, smooth, and joyful to ride, and the connection between guide, land, and animal feels ancient.

It's less a tour and more a temporary transport back to another era. [mriceland.is/](http://mriceland.is/) (see page 36)

## 05 SAND DUNE TOURING IN QATAR

This one starts deceptively normal.

You climb into a Lexus, cruise down the highway, and then suddenly the city disappears. Within minutes you're swallowed by towering sand dunes that stretch endlessly in every direction.

The guides here don't just drive, they perform. They read the dunes like waves, carving lines that are thrilling without ever feeling reckless. This is not something you want to attempt solo.

It's a full day of adrenaline, beauty, and total desert immersion. [365adventures.me/](http://365adventures.me/)



## 06 TREKKING TO HANG SON DOONG AREA CAVES, VIETNAM

Trekking through the Vietnamese jungle hits differently.

Years of movies and history give the landscape a surreal emotional weight, and then you arrive at caves so massive they feel unreal. This is a place where logistics, safety, and local knowledge matter.

The guides are meticulous, professional, and deeply proud of the land. Lunch at the edge of a waterfall alone would justify the day.

This is one of those experiences where the guides don't just lead you, they frame the meaning of the place.

[oxalisadventure.com](http://oxalisadventure.com)

## 07 CONTINENTAL DIVIDE SNOWMOBILE TOUR, COLORADO

I love snowmobiling in deep powder, exploring, and playing. But riding up to the Continental Divide is different.

This is a classic, scenic ascent where the guide shapes the day around flow, views, and experience rather than chaos. The pace is calm, the vistas are massive, and the sense of place is powerful.

Doing this with my daughter made it even more meaningful. It was relaxed, beautiful, and memorable in a way unguided riding rarely is.

[grandadventures.com](http://grandadventures.com)





## 08 GUIDED ATV TOUR, HURRICANE UTAH.

Southern Utah off road terrain is a maze of rock, sand, and impossible looking lines.

With the right guide, the day becomes a moving puzzle. They thread you through sections you'd never find on your own, pushing just far enough to feel adventurous without ever feeling reckless.

This is how off road exploration should be done. Not wandering, but intentional play across wildly varied terrain, all in a single day.

[atvadventures.com/](http://atvadventures.com/)



## 09 SNOWBIKE TOURING IN WHISTLER WITH GEOFF KYLE

This is one of my favorite guided adventures in the world.

Geoff Kyle has been guiding in Whistler for more than 25 years, and it shows. Riding with him feels like joining a secret club. You never know where you're going, you just trust that it will be good.

Then suddenly the trees open, the terrain reveals itself, and it feels like Narnia appears out of nowhere. Maze after maze, zone after zone, it's pure magic.

Guiding at its absolute highest level.

[mtnmoto.com/](http://mtnmoto.com/) (see page 19)

## 10 MOTORCYCLE SIDECAR TOUR, PARIS

This one surprised me.

I don't do tourist activities well, but Paris almost forces you to engage with its icons. The motorcycle sidecar tour solved that problem for me perfectly. You ride in a classic motorcycle sidecar. Yes it's that cool.

Zippering through traffic with a knowledgeable guide, hitting must see spots efficiently, and experiencing the city with speed and style made it joyful instead of exhausting.

It was culture, history, and adrenaline rolled into one perfect day.

[txangotours.com](http://txangotours.com)



### WHY THESE WORK

I don't want guides (or anyone) telling me what to do.

I want guides who show me what's possible.

Every experience on this list shares one thing in common. The

guides aren't there to control the day, they're there to elevate it.

They unlock access, shape flow, manage risk, and turn a single day

into something that feels far bigger than its timeline.

If you think adventure requires excess time, you're wrong.

Sometimes all it takes is one great day, done the right way.

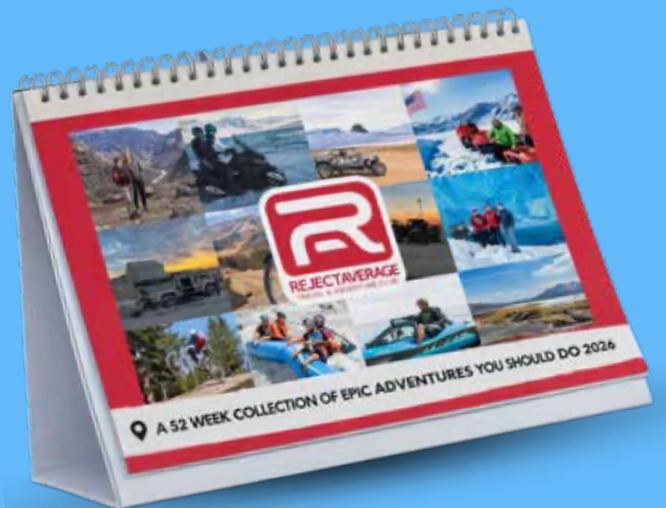


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FEATURES

By Brant Privette

# *The* **EXPERIENCE** *Philanthropist*

When Experience Becomes  
Contribution





I have learned that the most valuable things we can collect in life are experiences. It shapes us, teaches us, and reminds us what it means to truly live. But somewhere along the way, I discovered something even more meaningful than collecting experiences for myself, is sharing them with others. That is when I realized I had become what I call an Experience Philanthropist.

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*Sharing your experiences  
with others gives them a  
shortcut to joy*

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Philanthropy to me, has always revolved around donating money or time, but I've seen that it can also be about giving something even more valuable... the gift of experience. When you share where you have been, what you have done, and what you learned along the way, you give people a shortcut to joy, to discovery. You help them see what is possible. You help them live more vividly.



*My Instagram stories have become a  
window into a world of adventure for  
many people around the world*



People often ask why I organize so many trips, adventures, and retreats, or why I run Reject Average as a nonprofit. The answer is simple. I love it. I love showing people what is out there. I love helping them experience things that changed me. Somewhere in that process, I realized I was not just collecting memories, I was distributing them.

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*The goal is not perfection,  
it's inspiration.*

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There is a misconception that sharing travel or adventure is showing off. Genuine sharing is something very different. When you take the time to explain where to go, what to avoid, what surprised you, and how it made you feel, you are doing a service. You are helping someone create a better experience for themselves.



You are giving them confidence to step into something new.

Social media often gets criticized for being superficial, and that criticism is well deserved. But it can also be a tool for good. When sharing is honest and detailed, it becomes generous. The goal is not perfection. The goal is inspiration. That moment when someone thinks, 'I want to do that', or 'I didn't know that was possible', that is the impact. That spark is what experience philanthropy looks like in practice.

I plan these adventures because I want others to feel that spark. I go on the same trips repeatedly with different groups, not because I need to relive them, but because I want to watch someone experience them for the first time. I have done the Jetski2Catalina run more than fifty times, and it never feels repetitive. Seeing it through someone else's eyes makes it new every time.

It is the same feeling as taking your kids to Disneyland. You know what is coming, but watching their reaction transforms the experience. Their excitement becomes the

reward. That is what I get to witness when someone has an extraordinary experience for the first time.

When I traveled around the world, one of the most fulfilling parts was not just what I experienced, but how many people followed along. Sharing the journey in real time created connection. Messages from people who booked a trip, tried something new, or changed a plan because of what they saw stayed with me long after the trip ended. That's when it fully clicked. Sharing experience is not self-promotion. It's generosity.

When you give people your insight and perspective, you empower them to create their own adventures. You become a guide, even if only for a moment. Travel does not end with you. It multiplies when shared.

You don't need a platform or a travel club to live this way. You just need to share honestly. Talk about what worked and what did not. Recommend the guide, the trail, the food truck, the moment that mattered. Invite someone else into possibility.

Because when you do, you are giving something that cannot be bought. You are giving someone confidence, curiosity, and connection. I have seen how transformative that can be. I have watched people come alive. I have seen fears dissolve and friendships form. I have learned that the reward for sharing experience is every bit as powerful as the reward for living it.

People assume that because it's not a profitable business, I get nothing. But it is not nothing. It is everything. Watching someone have one of the best days of their life because you helped make it happen is priceless.

Being an Experience Philanthropist means understanding that your experiences are not meant to stop with you. They ripple outward. They build community. They make the world more curious, more connected, more alive.

If you have ever had an experience that made you think 'everyone should do this', don't hold that information, give it freely.

The best way to collect experiences is to give them away.







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# RIDE WITH A VIKING IN ICELAND

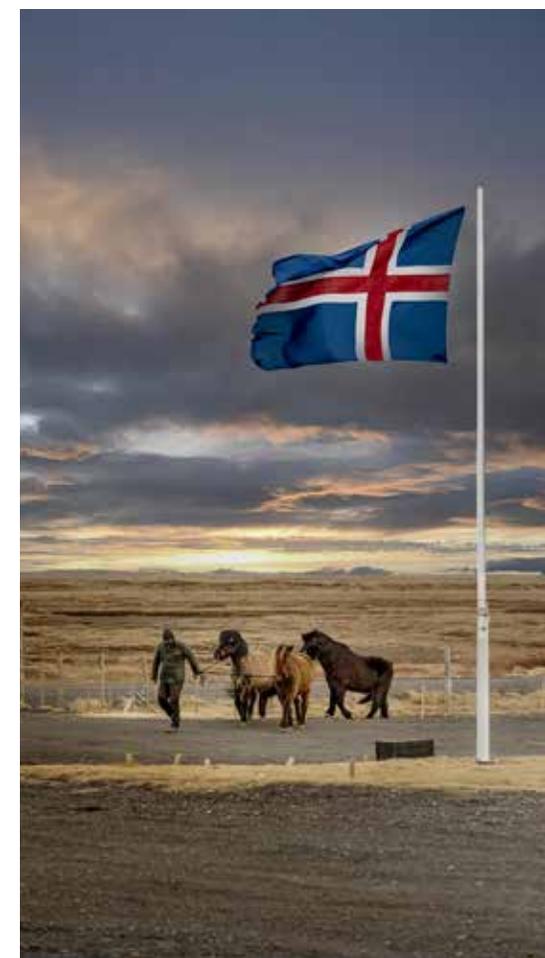
**W**hen people picture horseback riding, they usually imagine trotting gently through a quiet meadow or along a beach at sunset. What they don't picture is charging across a volcanic plain in Iceland with a man who could easily pass for a real-life Viking. That's exactly what riding with Mr. Iceland feels like. Before this trip, I didn't think I'd ever describe horseback riding as a bucket list adventure.

I've owned and ridden horses for years, but this was something else entirely. From the moment we met him, Mr. Iceland had that rare mix of warmth and intensity that instantly grabs your attention. His energy is big, his laugh louder, and his horses are the definition of power and grace. We saddled up on his family farm just outside Reykjavik.

The air was crisp, the ground black with volcanic rock, and a cold wind swept across the open fields. The Icelandic horses looked small compared to what you'd find elsewhere, but don't let their size fool you. These animals are pure muscle. They're famous for their smooth gait, the tölt, which feels like gliding across the landscape. Once you feel it, you understand why Icelanders are so deeply connected to these horses. Mr. Iceland led us out into the wilderness, and within minutes we were moving faster than I expected. This wasn't just some slow trail ride.

We were galloping across wide open plains, through shallow rivers and moss-covered hills, with mountains rising in the distance and the ocean flashing silver on the horizon. It felt wild, raw, and completely free.





Halfway through, we stopped by a small stream where the horses drank and rested. Mr. Iceland told stories about his family, the land, and how Icelandic horses have been part of his life since childhood. You could tell this wasn't just a business for him, it was a part of who he is.

When we returned to the farm, the experience didn't end with the ride. Mr. Iceland invited us into his home for dinner, a cozy cabin filled with the smell of wood smoke and home-cooked food.

We sat around a long wooden table with a few other guests, eating traditional Icelandic dishes like lamb stew, freshly baked bread, and local cheese. The conversation flowed easily,

full of laughter and stories about life on the farm, the horses, and the Icelandic winters that test even the toughest riders.

By the time we left, the midnight sun was still hanging low over the horizon, painting everything in soft gold. The horses grazed quietly in the fields, the air was still, and the whole evening felt like something out of a dream.

If you ever find yourself in Iceland, skip the tourist trails and go ride with Mr. Iceland. It's more than just an adventure, it's an invitation into a way of life, one filled with power, pride, and a deep connection to the land. You'll leave with tired legs, a full stomach, and a story you'll never forget.





# *Traveler* PROFILE



**Jeff Butler**

CALIFORNIA  
Executive Member since  
2017

## Editor's Note

Some people love travel.  
Others practice it.

Jeff Butler falls squarely into the second category.

A Reject Average member since 2017, Jeff has quietly collected some of the most memorable experiences in our community. Not because he chases extremes, but because he understands something fundamental... the best experiences usually live just beyond a small barrier to entry.

Jeff does not travel to escape his life. He travels to expand it.

# Member Q&A

Up close with  
Jeff Butler  
an Experience Collector



## When you hear the word travel, what does it mean to you?

When I think about traveling, I think about adventuring and learning new things about new areas and having new experiences. It's not really about getting away. It's about doing something different and being engaged with where you are.

## How did you first get involved with Reject Average?

Honestly, Reject Average was already doing the exact things I wanted to do. New experiences, interesting places, things that felt a little outside the norm. They were set up to go. All I had to do was say yes.

## What does being an Experience Collector mean to you?

For me, it's about doing things I haven't done yet. That could be a new country, a new part of the state, or even seeing a place I've already been from a completely different perspective. That constant sense of newness is exciting to me.

## Was there an experience that really shifted how you think about adventure?

Great White shark diving, Guadeloupe Mexico. Having the "Shark Week" boat all to ourselves with 17 other members... without question changed my perspective on what's possible. What's funny is that getting there was miserable. I was sick for almost thirty hours on the boat ride. But once the first dive happened, none of that mattered. You forget all of it. You're just thinking, 'I can't believe I'm doing this'. That's when I really understood that going a little out of your way is often what makes the experience unforgettable.

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"It's not really about getting away. It's about doing something different and being engaged with where you are."

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**You've mentioned the idea of a "barrier to entry." What do you mean by that?**

Most great experiences have one. They're not always easy to get to. Snowbiking is a perfect example. It can take hours of rough travel just to reach the perfect riding area. But once you're there, it's beyond extraordinary. That barrier filters people out. If you're willing to push through it, what's on the other side is usually incredible. If you are someone who asks "How long is the flight?" as part of your decision making process you're missing out.

**What are some of your most memorable Reject Average experiences?**

My first rappel down a waterfall in the Sierra Nevada was such a moment. I had never really done climbing before, but it ended up being unforgettable. And then there's Desolation Sound. Three days by boat to reach a remote waterfall that pours straight into the ocean. Warm water, middle of nowhere. You're standing there thinking, 'this is not normal. This is special'.





## **What adventure surprised or exceeded your expectations the most?**

Our group RV trip to Alabama Hills. That one surprised me. We had RVs set up in a circle, side by side for exploring, climbing rocks during the day, then coming back together at night. Fire pit in the middle. Outdoor movie under the stars.

None of us were RV people and would most likely never have experienced anything like that on our own. Brant had seen groups of RV people and thought "That looks like fun, we're going to do that". It was simple, social, and incredibly fun. It didn't feel overproduced, which made it even better.

## **Is there one activity that always delivers for you?**

Snowbiking in Whistler BC with Geoff Kyle, every time. And the Reject Average Executive Summits as well. Those are always worth doing. The location almost doesn't matter. The intention and the people make it work.

## **How do you personally define adventure?**

Adventure is my love language. It's doing something you haven't done before. It doesn't have to be extreme. It could be physical, mental, or emotional. Any kind of newness that pushes you slightly out of your comfort zone counts.

## **What kind of traveler are you, planner or explorer?**

I'd say explorer with some structure. I like having the parameters set so I'm not completely winging it, but within that framework I want flexibility. Free wheeling works best when you're surrounded by other people who are comfortable solving problems together.

## **What's next on your experience list?**

I'm going on the Africa trip this year which is a bucket list trip for me. After that is Sweden, to see the Northern Lights, staying at the Ice Hotel. Both feel rare, and that's what draws me in.

## **If you were designing your own Reject Average experience, what would it be?**

Honestly, I'd ask Brant what he's planning next and go with that.

## **When you look back at your growing collection of experiences, what do you hope it says about you?**

That I'm always willing to go outside my comfort zone and try the next new fun thing.





# *Make Your* CORPORATE RETREAT *Count*

I have been running executive retreats with Reject Average members for years, and it is probably the most requested thing I am asked to organize. I have done retreats in deep snow in Whistler, in the middle of the ocean with great white sharks, and in some of the most adventurous places on the planet. The one lesson I have learned is that a great retreat is not about luxury or checking the box, it is about intention. It is about curating moments that make people feel seen and included.

My biggest recommendation is simple, put in the effort to customize your retreat. Do not just book a resort package and hope for the

## The Best Destinations for Real Connections

best. When we were in Arizona, I rented an entire racetrack and had brand-new Corvettes dropped at the house, I ordered personalized gear for everyone, flew in live crawfish for a seafood boil, and built small surprises into the schedule. These touches matter.

A retreat becomes unforgettable when it feels crafted, not when it feels purchased. When a team stays together in one large house instead of dispersing to hotel rooms, something shifts.

Here is a list of great destinations that you can elevate your experience with just a little effort and planning.



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## Park City, Utah Summer

Park City is built for retreats. Rent a large mountain home with room for the entire team. Fill your days with the Olympic Training Center, via ferrata routes, horseback riding, alpine slides, scenic hikes, and chef prepared dinners that naturally bring the group together. Park City has a calming energy that invites great conversations and leadership moments.

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## Big Sky, Montana Summer

Big Sky is pure Montana magic. Massive homes, wide open views, and a sense of peace that immediately pulls groups together. Fly fishing, river floating, clay shooting, paddle boarding, golfing, and a short drive to Yellowstone National Park. Share all of that with your team and you elevate the retreat into something people will talk about for years.

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## Stuart, Florida Winter

Warm weather, ocean breezes, and enormous beach houses directly on the sand make Stuart one of the easiest winter retreats to organize. Add jet skiing, boating, paddle boarding, wake surfing, and long sunset dinners, and you have a retreat that blends productivity with comfort and fun.



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## Phoenix and Sedona, Arizona Winter

This combo gives you everything. Phoenix offers warm days, great restaurants, and golf. Sedona adds the red rock landscapes that feel inspiring and grounding. You can kayak the Salt River, rent performance cars, take a plane into Sedona, drive Jeeps through the trails, and build meaningful sessions into the schedule between adventures.

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## Pigeon Forge, Tennessee Year Round

If you want a retreat that feels like a grown up summer camp, this is it. Enormous lodge style homes, game rooms, theaters, decks, and big communal spaces. Add ziplining, rafting, indoor skydiving, mountain coasters, and scenic hikes, and your group will feel like they rediscovered childhood.

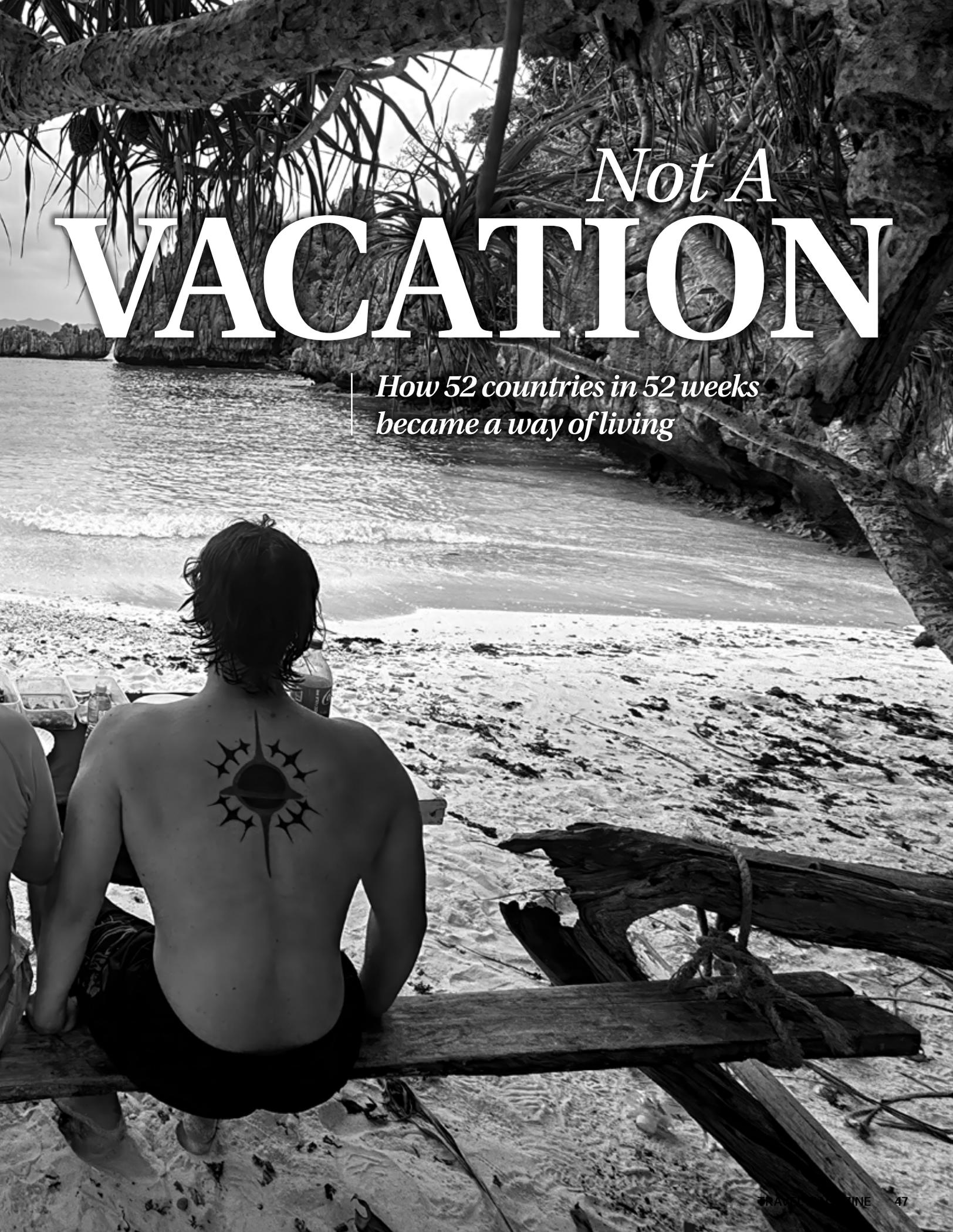
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## Johnson Valley, California Spring

Pure off road adventure at Lazy G Ranch. Johnson Valley delivers trails, dunes, and vast open landscapes that are perfect for team bonding. There is something powerful about conquering rugged terrain together. The shared victory builds trust and chemistry naturally.





# *Not A* VACATION

*How 52 countries in 52 weeks  
became a way of living*

## Once we said “52 countries in 52 weeks” out loud, it was already happening.

This was not about checking boxes. Yes, we saw lions in Tanzania, rafted rivers in New Zealand, climbed in Switzerland, dove with sharks in Fiji, trekked with gorillas in Rwanda, crossed deserts, jungles, cities, and oceans. We got all the wonders of the world, and then some. Yes, all those moments were extraordinary.

But that was not the point. Those weren't vacation highlights sprinkled into a normal life. They were simply the backdrop.

The real experience was the daily rhythm of living in unfamiliar places and learning how similar the world actually is.

Wake up. Get coffee.

Find breakfast. Navigate a city.

Talk to people. Eat local food.

Figure out transportation. Laugh. Fun.

More food. Repeat.

That was life for a year.

One of the biggest surprises was how little culture shock we experienced. Technology

has quietly smoothed out the world.

Everywhere we went, people lived remarkably similar lives. Kitchens were familiar. Apartments were familiar. Work routines were familiar. The mechanics of daily life, restaurants, menus, payment, entertainment, all followed the same patterns.

We expected the world to feel more foreign. Instead, it felt human.



**O**n July 1st 2024, I left Los Angeles with my wife and two youngest children Briana (21) and Braden (19) to travel the world, a new country every week, for an entire year.

What began as an ambitious family adventure very quickly became our life. Not a break from reality, not an escape, but a complete reorientation of how we lived every single day. For one year, our family woke up with the same intention, to find the best food, the best

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people, and the most meaningful experiences available wherever we were in the world. This was a deliberate decision to see the world together while we still could, and to find out what life feels like when adventure and curiosity are not occasional additions, but the structure of everyday life.



The number one question I still get is not where did you go? Or what was your favorite place? It's always the same question:

**"How did you do it?"**

And the honest answer tends to disappoint people because it isn't complicated. We just

decided to do it, and then we figured it out as we went. That sounds flippant, but it truly was one of the most important lessons of the entire journey.

Most people imagine something like this requires a perfectly engineered plan, infinite resources, or some secret access.



The truth is, it requires the same resilience people already use when life throws them curveballs. Job changes, moves, loss, uncertainty, unexpected pivots. We are incredibly good at figuring things out when we have to. This time, we used that same muscle for something joyful. We had learned this lesson years earlier, just after Covid, when California was still locked down and our kids were out of school. We bought a giant RV and drove to all forty-eight contiguous states in six months. Sixty-two cities. A new stop every three days. That trip taught us something powerful, when life becomes mission driven, even the tedious parts become meaningful. Driving, planning, resetting camp, none of it felt like work because we were moving toward something together. A mission transforms inconvenience into meaning.

So when we realized we had one last window before our kids fully went their separate ways, the question wasn't should we do something big, it was how big. We had seen America. Now we wanted to see the world.

**A**nother assumption that dissolved quickly was the idea that great food lives only in certain places. Yes, sushi in Japan was incredible, but so was sushi in Poland. South Korea was outstanding. India ended up being our favorite food in the world. Saudi Arabia surprised us. China was extraordinary.

Turkey may be one of the best food countries on the planet. The best burger I ate was in Scotland, tied with one from Paraguay, a country most Americans can't find on a map. Colombia and Germany are having a breakfast café renaissance that nobody's talking about. Bakeries in Denmark and Spain were absurdly good. The fruit in Zanzibar didn't feel real. World class food exists everywhere now. Access to information, technique, and ingredients has changed everything. The global food scene isn't about authenticity anymore, it's about execution. And execution is exceptional across the globe.

### How We Actually Planned It

From a logistics standpoint, the trip was simpler than people imagine.

We traveled east, always. We broke the world into regions, Europe, Africa, Middle East, India, Southeast Asia, Australia, South America, and let seasons dictate timing. We left July 1 and started in Europe. Summer in Europe, fall in Africa, winter in the Middle East, then east through Asia, and finally South America as their winter created ideal conditions.

We traveled every Wednesday. That was the only routine we had. Flights and housing were booked about two to four weeks out. Always. Never more. We ran a leapfrog system, one week locked, one being finalized, one being researched.

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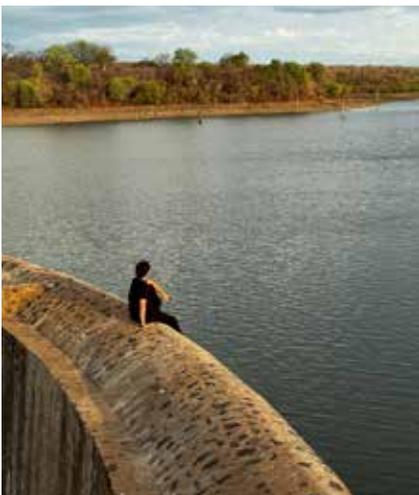
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After a few months, we became very good at it. Reading listings, understanding neighborhoods, avoiding tourist traps, knowing what mattered.

By week twenty, booking a new country felt almost casual.

### **What We Learned From What We Packed For A Year**

Everyone asks what we packed. The answer surprises people. A carry-on sized roller bag and one backpack each. That's it. No checked luggage. No excess. I brought portable computer screens and gadgets for work. We did not use everything. Not even close. As the trip went on, we used less and less. I packed clothes around the world I never wore.

We reset weekly, laundry wherever we were, buy what you need, let go of what you don't. You do not need much to live well. Ironically, my ten-dollar sunglasses survived the entire trip.

### **The World Is Safer and Kinder Than You're Told**

We had virtually no issues anywhere. No crime. No danger. No real fear. The only true drama happened in Japan when I lost my passport the day before we were flying to Taiwan. For a couple hours I thought the entire trip was over.







Then Japan did what Japan does. Someone found it, turned it in, and it was waiting at an Osaka police station that felt more like an office building than a police station. They were excited to give it back. I was nearly in tears. In Dubai, I left my bags with my laptop on the sidewalk outside a restaurant for hours, and came back to find them untouched. One time, a pillow and hoodie were taken from our unlocked rental car in Iceland (the safest country in the world). That is the entire crime report from a year around the world.

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Help is everywhere.**

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Politics is not the main topic of every day in any other country like it is here at home.

**What It Did To Us**

Traveling this way changed my kids. They became confident, articulate, adaptable. They



learned how to speak to adults, navigate unfamiliar situations, and trust themselves. Being on a shared mission created a bond that is hard to replicate any other way. It also changed my values. Material things matter less. Cars matter less. Stuff matters less.

### **Experience became the currency.**

Coming home was harder than expected.

Not because home was bad, but because the mission ended. The day we walked back into the house, it felt like the energy slowly drained away. It took time to recalibrate, to find purpose without movement.

That gap is what gave birth to Reject Average Magazine. This trip created more questions, conversations, and requests for guidance than anything I've ever done. People didn't just want to watch, they

wanted to participate. They wanted help designing their own lives around experience, not someday, but now. That's how 'Experience Philanthropy' became my new mission.

## The Point

You don't need to do 52 countries in 52 weeks. But you do need a mission. Adventure does something profound. It collapses time. It deepens relationships. It rewires priorities. It reminds you that life is not something you prepare for later. If you can work remotely, you are freer than you think.

If school schedules feel like the only barrier, you are overestimating the cost and underestimating the value. A year off will not hurt your kids. A year like this might define them.

We didn't do this because we're different.

We did it because we decided to.

Everything else followed.

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This list reflects one year of constant movement, crossing borders, cultures, and landscapes with exactly 365 days before we landed back in LA.

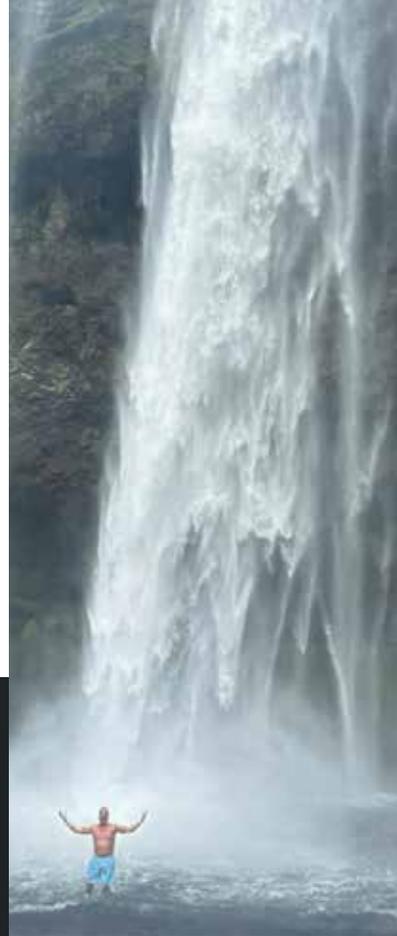
Each country added its own texture to the journey, not just as a destination on a map, but as a lived experience shaped by people, food, history, and place. Taken together, they show the true scale of the route and how quickly the world can change from one stop to the next .

Here is the comprehensive list of all the countries we had the honor of visiting on our Great Global Adventure

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|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. England         | 22. Zimbabwe             |
| 2. Scotland        | 23. South Africa         |
| 3. Ireland         | 24. United Arab Emirates |
| 4. Iceland         | 25. Bahrain              |
| 5. Norway          | 26. Saudi Arabia         |
| 6. Denmark         | 27. Jordan               |
| 7. Sweden          | 28. Greece               |
| 8. Finland         | 29. Egypt                |
| 9. Poland          | 30. Qatar                |
| 10. Czech Republic | 31. India                |
| 11. Germany        | 32. Nepal                |
| 12. Netherlands    | 33. Hong Kong            |
| 13. Switzerland    | 34. China                |
| 14. Portugal       | 35. South Korea          |
| 15. Spain          | 36. Japan                |
| 16. France         | 37. Taiwan               |
| 17. Croatia        | 38. Philippines          |
| 18. Italy          | 39. Thailand             |
| 19. Turkey         | 40. Vietnam              |
| 20. Tanzania       | 41. Singapore            |
| 21. Rwanda         | 42. Indonesia            |
|                    | 43. Australia            |
|                    | 44. Fiji                 |
|                    | 45. New Zealand          |
|                    | 46. Chile                |
|                    | 47. Argentina            |
|                    | 48. Paraguay             |
|                    | 49. Peru                 |
|                    | 50. Colombia             |
|                    | 51. Panama               |
|                    | 52. Costa Rica           |

### Bonus Countries

1. Vatican City
2. Zambia
3. Cambodia
4. Mexico



Over the course of the year we saw some pretty amazing things, did some epic adventures, and met some incredible people.

Yes, we saw all the wonders of the world, but my list of wonders just got much bigger.

Here is a taste of our wonders of the world:

- Circled Stonehenge
- Golfed St Andrews Old Course
- Climbed William Wallace Memorial
- Hiked the Cliffs of Moher
- Rode Icelandic Horses
- Floating Sauna in Norway
- Touched the Auschwitz Memorial
- Via Ferrata in the Swiss Alps
- Cable car to Montserrat
- Climbed the Eiffel Tower
- Sailed to Vis, Croatia
- Toured the Colosseum
- Stood under the Sistine Chapel
- Flew Cappadocia Hot Air Balloon
- Swam with Dolphins Zanzibar
- Lion Safari in the Serengeti
- Gorilla Trek in Rwanda
- Walked with Elephants
- Braved the Devil's Pool
- Topped the Burj Khalifa
- SCUBA in the Red Sea
- Floated the Dead Sea
- Experienced Petra
- Rode a camel in Wadi Rum
- Saw the Parthenon
- Entered the Great Pyramid of Giza
- Toured the Taj Mahal
- Flew across Mt Everest
- Walked The Great Wall of China
- Stood at the DMZ South Korea
- Hiked Son Doong Caves
- Toured Angkor Wat
- Swam with Whale Sharks
- Walked the SkyPark Singapore
- Toured the Sydney Opera House
- Dove with Sharks in Fiji
- Rafted the Kaituna New Zealand
- Hiked Machu Picchu
- Professional Football match in Argentina
- Hot springs in the Andes mountains
- Toured the Panama Canal
- Hiked Chichen Itza



# Insurance for *Experience Collectors*

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# Cash Back vs *Travel* *Points:*

*The Real-World Breakdown*

For many years I chased miles. Amex, airline cards, hotel cards, all the usual suspects. I had the same mindset that most entrepreneurs have: if I am running high volume through all of my various cards I should be earning free flights around the world. And like most of my friends I began collecting miles at a frantic pace. Then I started doing the math, real math, not the optimistic version we all tell ourselves, and things began to look a little bit different.

I moved my business spending to the Capital One Spark and the two percent cash back changed everything. Every quarter or so I'd cash out and they would send me a check.

This was thousands of dollars that I could spend on anything, at any time. My partner switched his media buying and his main business too, and in a few years he earned thousands and thousand dollars in cash. It was a staggering number when you consider how many flights, upgrades, gifts, and travel experienceshe was able to purchase. Meanwhile the miles I had earned on Amex Platinum, while useful for lounges and perks, became almost impossible to redeem at anything close to fair value. So I started digging deeper.

When does a miles card make sense, and when is cash back just better in every practical way? Here is what I found.



Miles cards make sense when the sign up bonus is large. A one hundred thousand point bonus is worth it every time. Certain category multipliers can also be powerful.

For example, my Amazon Chase card offers five percent on all Amazon purchases. With the amount of gear, travel items, and day to day business products I order on Amazon, that reward alone is worth more to me than most airline programs.

But for general spending the truth is simple.

Two percent cash, real cash, beats miles almost every time. Miles can have blackout and expiry dates, complex portals, strange redemption ratios, and hoops to jump through that always seem to reduce the value when you finally redeem them.

Cash is clean. Cash buys flights on any airline. Cash buys hotels on any platform. Cash buys experiences, and if you are an experience collector like me, that flexibility is everything.

**My recommendations are straightforward.**



### TIPS TO SAVE MORE:

- 01 Use a miles card only for the signup bonus or a very high category multiplier.
- 02 Use a two percent cash back card with NO CAP for all business and general spending.
- 03 Keep a premium travel card only for its perks and lounges, not for the points.
- 04 Treat points like a rebate, not a savings strategy.
- 05 When in doubt, choose the card that puts the most real dollars back in your pocket.

**Best cash back card for general spend:**  
Capital One Spark, two percent cash

**Best category card:**  
Amazon Chase, five percent on Amazon

**Best travel perks:**  
Amex Platinum

**Most common mistake:**  
Overvaluing airline miles

**Clever Rewards Hack:**  
Keep your cash back rewards in a separate account. It helps keep the 'free money' vibe when it comes time to spend.

*"Two percent real cash beats miles almost every time"*

# THAILAND

*The Land of Smiles*



One of the defining elements of Reject Average is access. These are not theoretical trips or partner highlights. Each experience listed below is personally led by Brant Pinvidic and has been vetted through years of hands on travel and execution.

Membership is free to join. Executive Membership is by invitation only. Trips are open to members unless otherwise noted. Space is limited by design.

To receive invitations, visit [RejectAverage.com](http://RejectAverage.com) and get on the list.

# The Reject Average Calendar of Adventures

Some of what's upcoming for members in 2026

## Jet Ski to Catalina, Winter Dolphin Run

February | 20 spots | All Members

A signature Reject Average experience. Winter offers the flattest water and the highest concentration of marine life. Dolphin super pods, frequent whale sightings, and a true open ocean crossing defines the day.

Depart Long Beach early, ride to Avalon, explore the island, and return the same afternoon. It consistently delivers the feeling of a full vacation in a single day. This run happens six times per year and sells out quickly.

## Whitewater Adventure Center, North Carolina

August | 16 spots | All Members

Three days of private guided access to one of the most dynamic adventure parks in the world.

Rafting, kayaking, climbing, and constant activity define the experience. Pure play, expertly run.

## Snow Biking with Geoff Kyle

February, March, April | 5 spots | All Members

Snow biking in Whistler and Pemberton is widely considered one of the most elite guided winter adventures in the world. Led by legendary guide Jeff Kyle, these trips access untouched terrain far beyond traditional riding zones.

Prior dirt bike or motorcycle experience is required. Limited spots. Extremely high demand.

## Scuba Diving with Sharks, Fiji

September | 8 spots | Executive Members

Seven days focused on open water shark diving with no cages.

Often described as one of the most intense and transformative scuba experiences available anywhere in the world.

## The Reject Average 500 Off Road Rally

Spring | 12 spots | All Members

A five hundred mile off road loop from Los Angeles through Nevada and Arizona. Vehicles, logistics, and support are fully provided.

This annual rally blends long technical days with nights built around connection, storytelling, and camaraderie. One of the most defining experiences in the Reject Average calendar.

## South Korea Cultural Immersion

October | 8 spots | All Members

A blend of tradition, modern culture, food, and access beyond standard tourism.

South Korea consistently surprises travelers with its depth, energy, and hospitality.

## Vietnam Immersion Tour

April | 8 spots | All Members

Seven days beginning in Hanoi. This experience blends food exploration, countryside travel, river adventures, and cultural immersion.

Vietnam consistently ranks among the best value destinations in the world, delivering exceptional hospitality, history, and cuisine. The itinerary focuses on depth rather than highlights.

## Ultimate Golf Week

Late October | 8 spots | All Members

Seven rounds, seven courses, seven cities, seven days.

Flights, rounds, and logistics included. A long-planned experience combining elite golf with travel and connection.



## Off Road to the Grand Canyon, Bar Ten Ranch

May | 12 spots  
All Members

Ride off road deep into remote terrain and arrive directly at the edge of the Grand Canyon. The journey itself is as meaningful as the destination.

Ideal spring weather, expansive scenery, and access few travelers ever experience. An annual bucket list level adventure.

## Iceland Ring Road Expedition

June to July | 24 total spots  
All Members

Seven to ten days circumnavigating Iceland with private guides. Waterfalls, glaciers, volcanic landscapes, and remote regions define the route.

This is one of the most complete and seamless ways to experience Iceland in a single journey.

## Oslo Summer Executive Experience

July | Limited spots  
Executive Members

Summer transforms Oslo into one of Europe's most vibrant outdoor cities. Long days, waterfront living, and a distinctly local pace.

This experience focuses on leadership, connection, and lifestyle, with accommodations in the city center.

## Mount Kilimanjaro with Sean Swarner

July | 10 spots  
All Members

A private ascent led in partnership with legendary explorer Sean Swarner. Preparation, intention, and leadership are central to the experience.

Designed as a once in a lifetime climb executed at the highest level.

## Middle East Executive Tour

November | Limited spots  
Executive Members

Ten days across Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Jordan, and the United Arab Emirates.

Direct access to business leaders, culture, and regions rarely experienced firsthand.

## Stuart Beach Executive Retreat

December | 16 spots  
Executive Members

Two beachfront homes in one of the most refined beach destinations in the United States.

A leadership focused retreat designed to close the year with intention, reflection, and connection.





Why I traded my skis for a SNO-GO and haven't looked back.

I thought I'd done it all. From early-morning powder laps to helicopter skiing deep in British Columbia, I'd checked every box a lifelong skier could imagine.

But somewhere along the way, my enthusiasm started to dip. My skill level had peaked, my knees had started to protest, and while I still loved being on the mountain, I wasn't chasing the next run with the same fire. Then I discovered SNO-GO.

It's a ski bike built on three skis instead of two, designed to carve, float, and maneuver like your favorite pair of skis, only easier, smoother, and in many ways, more fun. The first time I tried it, I knew I'd found something

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special. SNO-GO's secret is its three-point stance: one front ski for steering, two rear skis that follow your line, and handlebars that respond instantly to your movement. It gives you balance, control, and the same dynamic

carving sensation as skiing, but with less strain on your legs and knees.

On skis, every turn puts torque on your joints. On a SNO-GO, your body weight stays centered, and your legs move naturally with

# The Most Fun *You can have* On 3 Skis

By Brant Pivodic



the bike. It's surprisingly athletic yet forgiving, aggressive without punishment. The S.L.A.T. (Synchronized Lateral Articulation Technology) lets the skis roll and edge together like a synchronized dance, and it's shockingly intuitive. What struck me most was how quickly I felt comfortable. The learning curve is half a run. By lunchtime, you'll be tackling any slope you'd normally ski, from groomers to tree runs. The other revelation? No ski boots. You ride in warm, regular winter or snowboard boots.

No pressure points. No cramped toes. No unbuckling between runs. I never thought I'd say this, but I don't miss ski boots at all. The connection and control are still there, it's

the exact same sensation of carving down a mountain, only now your feet are free, warm, and comfortable. I used to tell people that SNO-GO felt like skiing without the pain.

Now I tell them it feels like skiing upgraded. At first, I chased resorts just to rent one. There weren't many, but that's changing fast.

In 2019, only a handful of mountains allowed SNO-GO. Today, over 230 resorts across North America welcome them, and more are adding them each season. The company's endorsement by PSIA-AASI has made it official: SNO-GO isn't a fad, it's a new category. Eventually, I bought my own. Now, I plan my trips around where I can bring

it. My ski bag has become a SNO-GO case. When I show up at the mountain, people still do a double-take in the lift line, and by mid-day, someone always asks where they can get one. I'll be at Big Sky in February for a corporate retreat. Everyone else will be skiing. I'll be the lone SNO-GO rider again, carving circles around them, smiling the whole time. Every year, a few of them try it. Every year, a few don't go back. This is not just a supplement to skis, for many of us, it's becoming the primary winter ride.

## The biggest question is how do you get it on the lift?

It is simpler than it sounds. SNO-GO's EZ-Load bar system is designed to hook right onto the chairlift. You sit down, it rides with you, and you unload normally. Resorts love it because it meets the same safety standards as skis and snowboards, and there's no hassle for lifties or riders. Once you're on snow, it's as natural as turning handlebars on a bike. You lean to initiate your turn, feel the edges catch, and then glide with that same rhythm skiers know, that mix of power and flow. Part of the reason SNO-GO is exploding in popularity is its ac-

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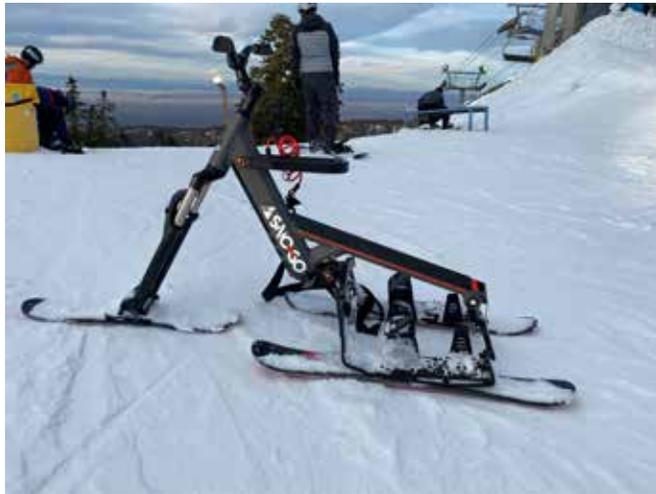
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cessibility. You don't need years of lessons or elite technique. You don't even need ski boots or bindings. Anyone can get on one, carve a turn, and feel that addictive sense of control in minutes.

It's also inclusive. SNO-GO's balance and body position make it ideal for people who've left skiing behind because of injuries, age, or fear of falling. It opens the mountain back up, for everyone.

I've ridden just about everything that moves in the snow. From snowmobiles to snowbikes to heli drops, the SNO-GO holds its own for pure, effortless fun.

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# ICELAND

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# UNCOVER *Rwanda*

## My Number One Country in the World To Visit

There are places that enter your imagination long before you ever step foot inside them, and then there are places that barely register at all until the moment they change your life.

Growing up, Rwanda appeared only in rare moments of conversation. The horrific genocide. The movie: *Hotel Rwanda* with Don Cheadle. And the legacy of Dian Fossey and her work with the mountain gorillas. Beyond that, Rwanda was a distant idea. It sat on the far edges of my awareness. So when we were planning our trip around the world and the team at Volcanoes Safaris asked whether we wanted to include Rwanda and a gorilla trek, I honestly had to pause. I had to research. I had to understand what that meant. I did not know then that Rwanda would become the number one country on our global list, the place that changed us more than anywhere else we visited.

Our experience began in Kigali, the capital city. It is impossible to understand the magnitude of the transformation Rwanda has undergone until you witness Kigali with your own eyes. Twenty-five years ago the city was destroyed. Today it is frequently compared to Singapore, and in many ways to Dubai, a clean, modern, organized, and remarkably proud city that reflects the vision of President Paul Kagame. His approval rating sits above ninety percent, and it is easy to see why. Kigali is one of the cleanest and most functional cities I have ever visited. The feeling of unity and collective purpose radiates through the streets. It is an example of what a country can look like when its people decide to rebuild not only physically but emotionally.

Our first stop was the Kigali Genocide Memorial. I have visited countless museums and historical sites around the world, but none have matched the direct honesty and profound emotional impact of this memorial. Rwanda confronts its past openly. It documents the events without excuses. It shows the world what happened, how it happened, and how the people chose to move forward together. It is heartbreaking and essential, and it sets the tone for understanding the Rwanda of today.

From Kigali we traveled two and a half hours to the region surrounding Volcanoes National Park, home of the mountain gorillas. Volcanoes Safaris hosted us at their lodge



*The magnificent Virunga Lodge in Rwanda is one of Africa's most loved lodges. Perched high on a ridge with dramatic views overlooking the Virunga Volcanoes, Musanze valley, Lake Bulera and Lake Ruhondo.*

near the village of Kinigi, a stunning property surrounded by rolling hills, lush farmland, and the mist-covered volcanic mountains. The lodge blends luxury with authenticity in a way that makes you feel both cared for and connected to the land. The hospitality, the views, the peaceful setting, everything was extraordinary. Then came the experience we had traveled so far to see, the gorilla trek.

Gorillas carry an undeniable presence. Their size alone creates a sense of awe, and as a parent I felt a small wave of nerves as my kids and I met our guide Emmanuel early that morning.

Emmanuel is one of the great characters of the adventure world. Warm, funny, incredibly knowledgeable, and deeply passionate about the gorillas. He explained that the gorillas never stay in one place. There are trackers in the forest at all times who monitor the families and note their location. They track them for safety, for conservation, and for the daily visitor groups who are permitted to see them for exactly one hour each day. Not ninety minutes. Not two hours. One hour. This structure has been in place for more than twenty years,

and the gorillas have become completely accustomed to the presence of humans in a way that does not interfere with their lives.

The moment we began hiking through the dense jungle, something interesting happened. We were joined by porters, called packers, who assist with bags and footing on the muddy trail. These packers are former poachers. Rather than arrest them or push them into deeper poverty, the Rwandan government created a program to hire them into tourism. They now earn a stable income and have become protectors of the gorillas they once hunted. Rwanda eliminated poaching almost entirely through this remarkable approach.

After an hour of hiking, we heard branches snapping. Emmanuel smiled and told us the family was close. That first glimpse of a gorilla takes your breath away. A massive silverback appeared behind us, so quietly that none of us had noticed him.

He walked directly past us, calm and confident, as if we were simply another part of the forest. It was one of the greatest animal encounters of my entire life.

We spent exactly one hour with the family. Eighteen gorillas in total. The adolescents played and rolled in front of us. Younger ones climbed trees and fell into soft piles of leaves. The silverback pulled down entire branches to make a comfortable resting place for his family. They looked at us with eyes so deeply human that it feels impossible to describe. There was connection.

Intelligence. Peace. The energy of the moment is something I will carry forever.

And then my son did something that still makes me laugh. He FaceTimed his brother in L.A. from the jungle, with a gorilla sitting behind him. The fact that you can be in one of the wildest places on earth and still connect with home is one of those surreal modern miracles.

After our trek, we spent the drive back talking with Emmanuel, our guide, and the conversation quickly shifted from gorillas to something far more human. Emmanuel told us about the vocational school he runs for teenage mothers who have been rejected by their villages. Most are between thirteen and sixteen years old, navigating motherhood long



## RWANDA

before they've had a chance to grow up themselves. At his school, he teaches them sewing, basic business skills, and the confidence to build an independent life.

We asked if we could visit. When we arrived, the girls greeted us with singing, dancing, and a level of warmth that stopped us in our tracks. What we didn't realize at first was that the babies in their arms weren't younger siblings, these were the mothers themselves. It was one of the most emotional introductions we've ever experienced.

Emmanuel explained that he buys sewing machines for the girls using whatever he earns in tips from guiding. Some years he can afford four, other years maybe ten. It all depends on how many treks he gets. Hearing that, and seeing the impact so clearly in front of us, made the decision easy. I told him I would buy a sewing machine for every girl in the program, and I knew our community would want to be part of it.

When we shared the story, fifty members of the Reject Average community stepped up immediately. Each person purchased a machine and wrote a personal letter to a specific girl by name. The response was overwhelming.

We were so moved by what had happened that after leaving Africa, we changed our world tour schedule for the first and only time. Three months later, we flew back to Rwanda from the Middle East to deliver the sewing machines in person. Watching the girls read their letters, celebrating with Emmanuel, and standing there with my wife and kids made it one of the most meaningful days of our entire journey.

Rwanda became the only country we visited twice in a single year, and it is also the first place we're returning to again in 2026.

There is something extraordinary about this country that stays with you long after you leave. It is safe,





organized, peaceful, and remarkably forward-moving.

Rwanda offers one of the greatest wildlife encounters on earth, one of the most impressive and well-run capital cities on the continent, and one of the most inspiring examples of cultural rebuilding and national unity in modern history.

Everything about traveling here feels intentional and respectful. Kigali's

cleanliness, the warmth of the people, the sense of pride woven into everyday life, and the protected wilderness of Volcanoes National Park all contribute to an experience that feels both grounding and transformative.

If seeing the mountain gorillas is on your bucket list, reach out. I will personally connect you with the exact team we used, the lodge we stayed in, our driver

Sam, and our guide Emmanuel. Their professionalism and kindness shaped our entire experience.

We will be returning every year, and whether you'd like to travel with us or plan your own journey, I'm happy to help you build an adventure you will never forget.

Rwanda was our number one country in the world, and I cannot wait for more.





**Collect More Experiences.**



# Jet Ski to *Catalina Island*

An Unforgettable Ocean Adventure: Ride with Dolphins Across the Open Pacific to Paradise

I have done the Jetski2Catalina trip more than fifty times over the last decade, and I can say with complete confidence, it never gets old. Whenever I have guests visiting, or Reject Average members looking for something unforgettable to do, this is the first experience I plan. It is my favorite adventure to share, and for good reason, there is nothing else like it anywhere in the world. The adventure begins early in the morning from the docks in Long Beach, California. After a quick safety briefing, you throttle up and set off across twenty-seven miles of open ocean toward Catalina Island.

Within minutes, you are surrounded by dolphins. They love the jet skis, darting and leaping beside you, sometimes hundreds or even thousands at a time. It feels like you are riding through a live nature documentary. Sea lions bob in the waves, pelicans glide past, and every once in a while, a whale surfaces in the distance. Jetski2Catalina runs year-round, but the winter months are the hidden gem. The ocean is calmer, the air is crisp, and the sky stays clear and sunny, it is California's best-kept secret.

The colder season actually brings out even larger dolphin pods, making winter rides the most spectacular. Once you reach the island, you have two destinations to choose from: Avalon or Two Harbors.

Avalon is a postcard-perfect beach town with cafes, golfcarts, and a lively marina vibe. Two Harbors offers a quieter, rustic escape where you can swim through the glowing Blue Cavern sea cave, a surreal experience that feels like a scene from another planet.

People often ask if it is safe to cross the open ocean on a jetski. The answer is absolutely. The guides are professionals, the equipment is world-class, and after more than a decade and thousands of riders, there has never been a single shark encounter.

Today, Jetski2Catalina is the second largest provider of visitors to Catalina Island, behind only the Catalina Express ferry. It has become a California classic, and for those who want more than just sightseeing, it is a genuine adventure.





This one checks every box: incredible wildlife, ocean freedom, and a true sense of accomplishment when you pull back into the dock at the end of the day. For me, it is a Reject Average staple and easily one of the top-rated experiences on the planet.



## FAVE Score

Category	Score	Notes
Fun	10	Dolphins, speed, and open ocean joy.
Adventure	10	Crossing the Pacific to an island on your own jet ski.
Value	9.7	A full-day ocean adventure that feels like a mini vacation.
Ease	9.0	Some prep and stamina required, but well worth it.
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.7</b>	Easily one of the top-rated experiences on the planet.

## Fact Box:

# JETSKI 2 *Catalina*

### Departure:

Long Beach, California

### Distance:

27 miles each way across the Pacific Ocean

### Destinations:

Avalon or Two Harbors (with optional Blue Cavern swim)

### Wildlife:

Dolphins, sea lions, and whales spotted regularly

### Season:

Year-round operation, with winter offering the best water and most dolphins.

### Fact:

Second largest provider of visitors to Catalina Island



# TOP GEAR

## Travel and Adventure Gadgets I Will Not Leave Home Without

### *the Essentials*

Over the last year alone I traveled to 52 countries in 52 weeks and took 87 flights. In the last decade I've stayed in more than 200 Airbnb's and an uncountable number of hotel rooms. I work on the road, I play on the road, and most times I live out of a bag more than I live out of a closet. It's safe to say I travel aggressively and I have tested just about every piece of travel gear you can imagine. What follows are my personal, battle tested essentials. I do not get paid for these recommendations. I rarely accept free products. These are simply the items that earned a permanent place in my travel kit because they worked everywhere, quietly, reliably, and without fuss. If you want to reject average, do it with the right gear.



#### **Skechers Men's Summits**

##### Slip-On Sneakers

These are hands down the best shoes I have ever owned. Period. I wore them across the entire 52 countries trip. They still look almost new. I brought brand new HOKAs with me and never touched them. These Skechers went to the Seven Wonders, climbed mountains, crossed deserts, and handled cities effortlessly. They are unbelievably comfortable and cost less than sixty dollars. The day I got home I bought another pair. I just ordered two more in case they ever stop making them.



#### **ANTSHARE Waterproof Phone Case**

This case looks boring, and that is exactly why it is perfect. It feels like a normal phone case and lets you use your phone normally. No bulky seals, no complicated setup. Every water shot I take happens with this case. It is quick, reliable, and invisible in use. You do not need fancy gear to protect your phone, this just works.



**Ketl Mountain Sun Hoodie**

This sun hoodie is effortless perfection. It is incredibly light, breathable, and comfortable, to the point where you forget you are wearing it. It protects your skin so well that I rarely use sunscreen anymore, even in extreme sun. You can swim in it, hike in it, wear it all day, and it dries almost instantly. Ketl Mountain makes exceptional gear across the board, and their pants are equally impressive. This hoodie lives in my bag.



**UPERFECT Delta Max 18.5" 100Hz Dual Portable Monitor**

This is the secret to working comfortably on the road. These fold like a laptop and instantly give you dual 18.5 inch screens anywhere in the world. I used them everywhere, including on transatlantic flights. If you are used to multiple large screens at home, this will completely change how productive and comfortable travel work feels.

**SwissGear Softside Expandable Carry-On Suitcase**

This is the luggage I get asked about more than anything else. The SwissGear large carry-on is incredibly durable and perfectly designed. Yes, it is technically too big for some small European airlines, but it works about ninety percent of the time. The soft side gives you flexibility, the wheels are excellent, and it holds up to real abuse. My son's black version went around the world and still looks brand new.



**OGIO Rig 9800 Wheeled Suitcase**

If adventure is the focus and checking a bag is acceptable, this gear bag is unbeatable. It is tall, rugged, easy to move, and designed for serious equipment. The compartments are smart, the wheels are solid, and it swallows gear effortlessly. This is adventure luggage done right.



If you travel hard, work on the road, or chase experiences the way I do, this gear will quietly make everything better.



**Insta360 X4 Air - Lightweight 165g 8K 360 Camera**

I shoot most content on my iPhone because it is incredible and familiar. But when I need something spectacular, the Insta360 comes out. Every hands-free, high action moment lives on this camera. The invisible stick alone makes it worth owning. It captures moments that phones simply cannot, and it does it without effort.

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# KILIMANJARO:

WHEN THE MOUNTAIN BECOMES  
THE MIRROR

— By Sean Swanner





There is a moment, usually well after the peak of success, when accomplishment stops answering the deeper questions. The career is built. The boxes are checked. The life looks right from the outside. Yet something quieter begins to ask for more.

The Kilimanjaro Inspedition™ + Safari is designed for that moment.

This is not adventure for adventure's sake, nor luxury for escape. It is a deliberate journey into altitude, solitude, and perspective, and I will be your guide. I'm Sean Swarner, and I'm a man whose life has redefined what resilience can actually mean. I'm a two-time cancer survivor once given

*The climb begins in Tanzania, where structure replaces noise and intention replaces distraction.*



*Sean leads and guides this incredible journey personally year after year. There is no better way to experience the majestic nature and life altering properties of Kilimanjaro*

weeks to live. I went on to summit Everest with one lung, complete the Explorer's Grand Slam, and lead others through environments where clarity has no choice but to surface.

The climb begins in Tanzania, where structure replaces noise and intention replaces distraction. As Kilimanjaro rises, the mountain does what it has always done, it strips life down to what matters. Days unfold in rhythm, breath, effort, conversation. Private guidance and reflection sessions turn the ascent into something more personal than physical, a reckoning with limits, beliefs, and the version of yourself you have outgrown.

Reaching the summit is profound, but it is not the end.

From there, the journey opens into the Serengeti. Private flights carry you into wide



open landscapes where silence is expansive and time slows. Luxury lodges sit inside raw nature, offering space to integrate what the mountain revealed. Fireside conversations, guided solitude, and unfiltered encounters with wildlife create a rare sense of perspective, one that cannot be manufactured or scheduled.

You return changed, but not dramatically so. The shift is quieter, deeper, more permanent. A recalibration rather than a reinvention.

This is not a trip you add to a list. It is a journey that clarifies what the next chapter is truly meant to be.

Join me July 2026 for a Reject Average Adventure like no other.





# Hezen Cave Hotel: *Timeless Luxury* Beneath the Cliffs of Cappadocia

By Megan Boshoff

A Hidden Gem  
in the Heart of Cappadocia

Cappadocia feels like nowhere else on earth, it's pure magic. Beneath the cliffs of Ortahisar, overlooking its ancient stone castle, sits Hezen Cave Hotel, a boutique retreat that balances natural wonder with quiet luxury.

The property is built into a series of old cave dwellings, carved directly into the hillside. Inside, you'll find the kind of beauty that doesn't shout but whispers. Arched ceilings, hand-hewn stone, and soft, diffused light give each room a feeling of calm permanence. The hotel's design captures the essence of Cappadocia's past while adding the refinement of modern comfort.





**F**rom Hezen, the heart of Cappadocia unfolds in every direction. Our first morning, we joined a sunrise balloon flight, the kind of experience that defines travel itself. Drifting above the valleys as the sun touched the rock formations in shades of pink and gold was nothing short of surreal.

Later that day, we explored the open-air museum in Göreme, where frescoed cave churches tell stories that have survived for centuries.

The next day, we hiked through the Red Valley, following narrow paths between towering cliffs and apricot groves, the quiet

broken only by the sound of wind and our footsteps on the dusty trail.

For something completely different, we visited Kaymaklı Underground City, a labyrinth of tunnels and chambers that once sheltered entire communities.

And when we returned to Hezen each evening, it felt like coming home. The staff greeted us by name, always ready with tea or a glass of local wine, and dinner in the courtyard was a slow, beautiful affair: grilled meats, vegetables roasted in olive oil, and baklava that somehow tasted even better under the Cappadocian stars.

*Hezen Cave Hotel has been awarded One MICHELIN Key in 2025, a distinction from the MICHELIN Guide, celebrating hotels that offer an exceptional stay experience.*





Every room at Hezen feels like a private sanctuary. Some open to small terraces overlooking Ortahisar Castle, while others are set deeper in the rock, naturally cool and serene. The interiors combine minimalism with warmth, from woven textiles and antique pottery to rainfall showers and plush bedding. It's a space where you can disconnect without ever feeling isolated.

Each morning, I'd step out onto the terrace just as the first balloons rose into the dawn sky. Breakfast here is an event of its own: local cheeses, honeycomb, olives, warm bread, and strong Turkish coffee, all served with one of the most unforgettable views in the world.

As the light changes over the valley, it's hard not to linger long after your plate is empty.

Hezen Cave Hotel is not simply a base for exploring Cappadocia, it's a part of the experience itself.

It's where you feel the connection between the past and the present, the human and the natural, the journey and the stillness. Long after leaving, I found myself thinking back to those quiet mornings and the soft glow of lanterns against the stone at night.

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THE SUBSCRIPTION  
WAVE IS COMING TO

# *Travel &* **Adventure**



**W**e used to own movies, then we streamed them. We used to buy music, now we subscribe. That shift was more than convenience, it changed how we think about access and ownership. Now that same idea is moving into travel, gear, and adventure.

Take camping gear. Services like Outdoors Geek let you rent high-end tents, sleeping bags, packs, and more, shipped to your location. You pay for what you use, no long-term commitment. Even Gearhouse in Seattle operates a gear library model where members get access to all the tools they need for outdoor sports, everything from camping to climbing to paddling, under a monthly plan.

These are early signs of a shift. Owning gear is less appealing when you can access high-quality options on demand. We already saw this in real estate and vacation lodging.

Airbnb challenged the notion that you must own a second home. Travel subscriptions like Inspirato Pass bundle access to curated homes and experiences rather than forcing you to commit to one place. Airline companies have even tested flight passes that let frequent flyers access unlimited or discounted seats for a fixed monthly fee.

What's happening now is the same logic arriving in the powersport world. I recently joined Subscribe2Ride because I'm done with upkeep, aging machines, and the constant headaches of ownership.

With S2R, I sign up, they deliver a Sea Doo or Can Am machine to my door, and when I'm done they pick it up. Maintenance, registration, and insurance are all handled. It's not perfect, but it's pretty damn close.

What I love about it: I ride more. I don't worry. I don't agonize over wear, storage, or breakdown.

I can swap terrains, try new machines, the way a music fan experiments with new albums. Ownership used to be how you showed commitment. Now flexibility and access are the new badges. We're in a transitional moment. Subscriptions fill two deep human needs: value, getting more without overpaying, and convenience, eliminating the friction that kills enthusiasm.

Some models skew one way, the best ones deliver both. My hope is that as people see how subscription models free them, they'll demand more.

More flexibility, more access, more ways to experience instead of own. Subscribe2Ride is my latest venture into this future. It's not an outlier, it's an early highlight in a movement that is changing how we live, travel, and play.

The subscription era isn't coming, it's already here. The only question is how much of your future fun moves to this on-demand model.

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## VIETNAM

# Underrated: VIETNAM

Between Mountains, Caves,  
and Coffee Cups, There is  
Magic Around Every Corner



**T**here are countries that everyone talks about, and then there's Vietnam. It is often overlooked, but it should be sitting near the top of every traveler's list. It's a place that doesn't try too hard, yet somehow delivers everything: culture, cuisine, landscapes, and adventure. Vietnam isn't just underrated, it's astonishingly overlooked.

### Old Town: Hanoi

My journey began in Hanoi, a city that hums with life from sunrise to midnight. The Old Quarter feels like stepping into a moving painting, where scooters blur past French-colonial balconies, street vendors stir steaming pots of phở, and the smell of fresh herbs and roasted coffee drifts through the air. It's a sensory overload in the best possible way. Hanoi is a city of contrasts: ancient temples tucked between neon signs, the chaos of traffic met with the quiet calm of lakeside cafés.





By Megan Boshoff

## MUST-TRY FOOD

The food in Hanoi alone could be a reason to visit. Mornings began with steaming bowls of **phở**, each one slightly different but always perfect, followed by a **bánh mì** so crisp and flavorful it redefined what a sandwich could be. That's not even mentioning the coffee. **Cà phê sữa đá**, strong and sweet with condensed milk over ice, and egg coffee, the city's signature creation, rich and silky like a custard in a cup. Every meal felt like an introduction to something deeper, a culture where food and life are inseparable.



## Village Life: Phong Na

After soaking up Hanoi's energy, I traded city streets for the mountains of Vietnam. I ended up flying to the village of Phong Nha to get ready for a very special adventure. The change of pace was instant. The village is tucked between mountains and endless rice fields, the air thick with the scent of rain and earth. We spent our first day simply riding bikes through the narrow lanes, waving at farmers in conical hats and stopping to take in views that looked like watercolor paintings brought to life.

## Phong Nha: Where we stayed

We stayed at a beautiful backpackers' lodge along the river, where the evenings were filled with laughter and the sound of karaoke drifting across the water at sunset. The people were warm and welcoming, quick to share a smile or a song. As we sat and ate by the river that evening, we watched groups of tour boats heading toward the caves in the distance and we knew that was going to be our next big adventure in Vietnam.

*"Hanoi is one of those places that gets under your skin: a perfect blend of old-world grace and electric modern energy."*

*You can spend the morning wandering through ancient temples, the afternoon getting lost in the Old Quarter, and the evening watching the sunset from a rooftop while the city glows below. It's not just a destination; it's a feeling you carry long after you've left."*



## VIETNAM

In the small riverside village of Phong Nha, adventure feels like part of everyday life. This is the home of Oxalis Adventure, a local operator that has earned global recognition for leading safe, sustainable expeditions through Vietnam's vast cave systems, including the world-famous Son Doong Cave. What makes Oxalis stand out is its deep connection to the area most of the guides are locals, and every expedition is designed to protect the delicate ecosystem of Phong Nha-Ke Bang National Park while supporting nearby communities.

Our Oxalis journey began early in the morning, when the village was just waking up. Mist hung over the mountains and rice paddies as we followed a narrow trail into the jungle. Along the way, we passed farmers guiding their water buffalo through the fields and children riding bicycles along dirt roads. The trek itself was a steady mix of open countryside and thick forest, with every turn revealing another view that felt untouched and timeless.

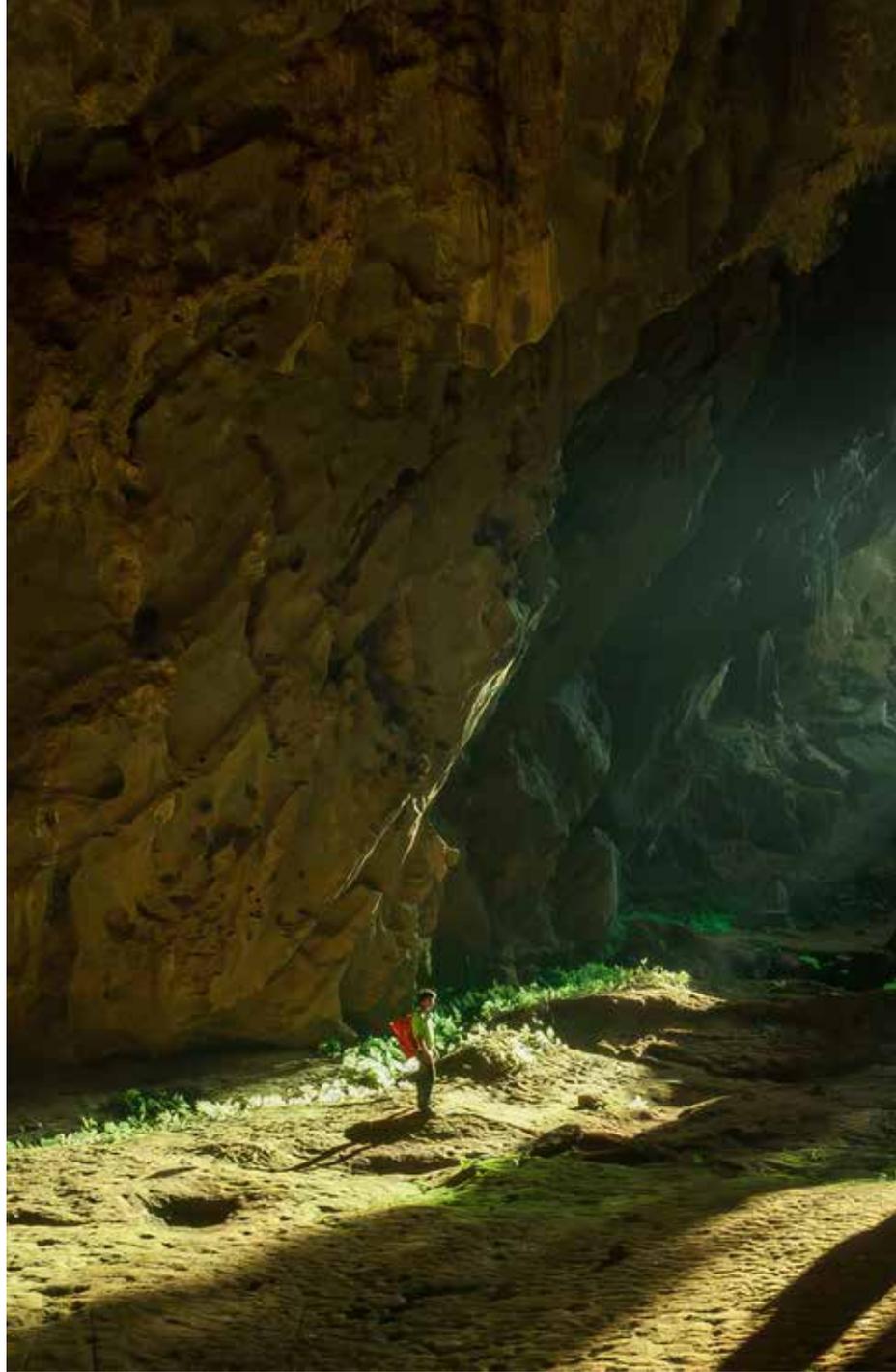
By midday, we reached the entrance of the cave, a dark opening in the side of a mountain. Inside, the temperature dropped, and our headlamps lit up walls glistening with mineral patterns.

We navigated between slippery rocks, waded through shallow pools, and eventually swam through an underground river that led us out into daylight again. The transition from the cool darkness to the bright green landscape outside was surreal.

Waiting by the river, the Oxalis team had prepared a simple lunch of traditional local food, and I can't tell which was better, the food or the view.

We sat on the rocks and ate right by the water. We watched the river wind past the jungle. It wasn't dramatic or staged: just an honest, beautifully run experience that showed why Phong Nha and Oxalis have become a quiet highlight for travelers looking for something real in Vietnam.

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# Riding Into the Grand Canyon

## The Most Extraordinary Way to See an American Icon

There are some places so iconic that everyone already knows what to expect before they ever set foot there. The Grand Canyon is one of those places. It is the crown jewel of the American landscape, a location woven into every travel bucket list and postcard rack in the world.

You drive to the rim, you look over the edge, you take your photos, and you share a moment with thousands of other visitors leaning on the same railing.

I have done that version. I went with friends, I went with my dad, and I brought my kids. It is impressive every time, and yet the experience is always the same. The Grand Canyon is majestic, but the tourism structure around it is predictable and crowded. When you visit through the usual channels, you are bound to the same timing and the same viewpoints as everyone else.

There is almost no way to feel like the canyon belongs to you, even for a moment. I hesitate to say it, but there is a lot of 'average' surrounding the Grand Canyon.

Then I found ATV Adventures in Hurricane Utah and everything I believed about the Grand Canyon changed.

This was not a sightseeing excursion. This was a mission. A true off road expedition that covers nearly one hundred miles of rugged terrain through some of the most varied and visually stunning landscapes I have ever seen in North America. You climb, descend, cross valleys, skirt cliffs, cut across mesas, and ultimately ride straight into the Grand Canyon. Not near it, not beside it, but into it.

ATV Adventures runs two and three day Grand Canyon expeditions, and they use top of the line SxS machines that make the entire journey comfortable, powerful, and wildly fun. My daughter and I switched off driving and I can tell you that the ride alone is worth the trip. It combines speed, skill, scenery, and a true sense of accomplishment. You feel like you have earned your entry into the canyon, not simply arrived at a designated viewpoint with tour buses and concession stands.

Midway through the journey we stopped for lunch at a scenic overlook that felt surreal. No crowds, no noise, just open land and complete freedom. This is the version of the Grand Canyon that very few people ever get to witness.

*Explore some of the most beautiful landscapes in the world up close and personal on ATVs in Southern Utah with ATV Offroad Adventures.*





That night we arrived at the world famous Bar Ten Ranch, a working cattle ranch that rafters and backcountry explorers have been visiting for generations. Bar Ten is an experience in itself.

Rustic charm, home cooked meals, skeet shooting, horseback riding, and a warm community atmosphere that makes you feel like you have stepped into a western adventure film.

After hours on the trail, sleeping under the wide Arizona sky feels perfect.

The next morning we rode our side-by-side right to the rim. No fences, no crowds, no lines. Just an unobstructed and deeply personal view of the Grand Canyon from an angle that most people never even learn exists. Standing there with my daughter, looking out across a view so massive and untouched it barely feels real, I understood why this trip stands out above every other Grand Canyon experience I have had.

The world comes to see the Grand Canyon and they should. It is one of the great wonders on earth. And I have been all over this planet, to nearly eighty countries, across every type of landscape you can imagine. Very few places compare to the scale and emotional impact of this canyon. And I can say without hesitation that if you have even the slightest sense of adventure, this off road journey is the best way to see it.

You do not need to win a permit lottery or plan years ahead like you do for river rafting.

ATV Adventures runs these Grand Canyon expeditions throughout the season and you can book directly. It is accessible, it is real adventure, and it creates memories that feel once in a lifetime. The pictures alone are enough to justify the trip. The experience is something you will talk about for years. For anyone who has the spirit to explore deeper than the rim, this is the Grand Canyon you have been waiting for.

## FAVE SCORE

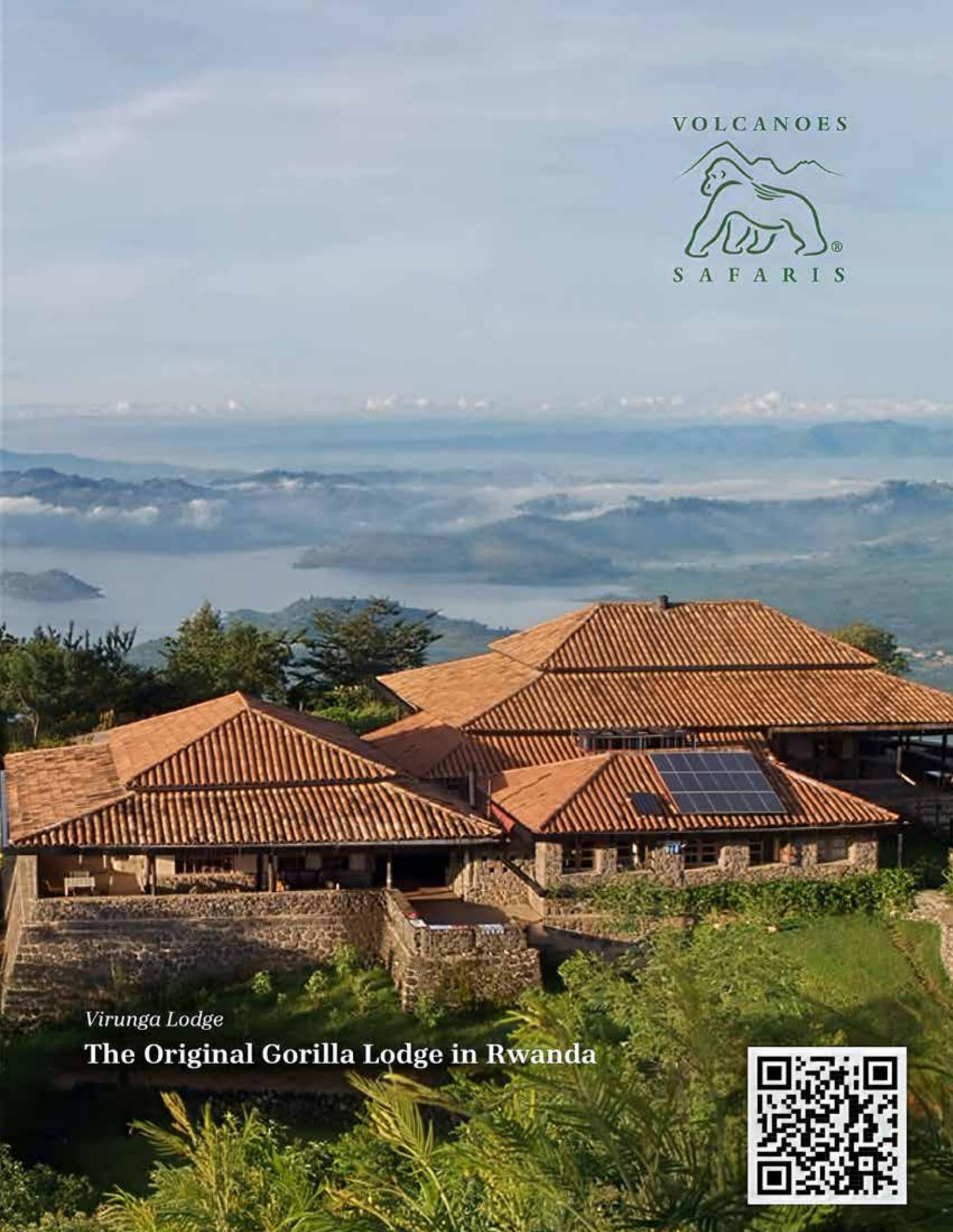
Category	Score	Notes
Fun	9.3	This is full throttle adventure with speed, scenery, and pure excitement.
Adventure	10	Riding 100 miles off road into the Grand Canyon is a real adventure.
Value	9.0	One fee covers guides, lodging, meals, and the experience.
Ease	8.0	There is travel to Hurricane Utah and long off road days.
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.1</b>	The Best Way to See The Grand Canyon

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*This action-packed Grand Canyon UTV tour offers the perfect mix of adventure, nature, history, and relaxation, making it ideal for anyone looking to experience the Grand Canyon in a truly unique way.*



VOLCANOES



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# HELI-SKIING: BOBBIE BURNS

If skiing resorts and backcountry powder are levels 1 and 2, helicopter skiing is level 3: the holy grail, the summit, the chapter every serious skier wants in their story. When your ski bucket list demands more than groomers, lifts, or avalanche zones, heli-skiing offers access to untouched bowls, endless vertical, and pure gravity runs that redefine what “deep powder day” means.

But not all heli-ops are created equal. Weather kills plans. Logistics can wreck your week. Guides, helicopters, snow conditions all matter.

I’ve skied at more than 30 heli spots around the world, and for me, CMH Bobbie Burns hits the sweet spot: wild terrain, solid logistics, and immersive all-inclusive luxury in the heart of British Columbia’s interior.

Each morning begins with a briefing from your ACMG or IFMGA-certified guides, followed by a quick safety review: transceivers, probes, shovels, and radios all provided by CMH.

Then, weather permitting, the real adventure begins. You lift off in the helicopter and drop into untouched alpine bowls, deep tree zones, and sweeping glaciated terrain.

On a clear bluebird day, you might ski an astonishing 20,000 to 25,000 vertical feet before lunch, which is often served on a sunlit ridge with views that stretch for miles. Afternoons wind down back at the lodge, where some guests squeeze in one last run before unwinding with massages, hearty dinners, and stories shared over a glass of wine. What makes Bobbie Burns truly stand out among heli-ski destinations is its seamless blend of thrill, comfort, and heritage.

CMH’s Unlimited Vertical Guarantee means there are no extra charges if you exceed your vertical quota, this means that guests can ski to their heart’s content, with any weather interruptions handled through CMH’s reliable refund system.

The terrain here is legendary: long, flowing alpine lines and steep, technical tree runs that demand skill and reward it with pure speed and flow.

The setup is classic and refined, three groups per lodge, using Bell 212 helicopters, with around eleven guests per lift. Back at the lodge, the experience continues with exceptional comfort: private or twin rooms with

en suite baths, a climbing wall, gym, massage services, sauna, hot tub, and WiFi throughout.

Guests dine on gourmet meals, often followed by a relaxed après scene where stories and laughter fill the room.

Access adds a touch of adventure as you can fly in from Calgary or Vancouver before taking a short helicopter transfer to the lodge, which only heightens the sense of remote exclusivity.

As one of the original pioneers of heli-skiing, CMH has built a legacy of reliability, safety, and excellence. The Bobbie Burns lodge captures that heritage perfectly, offering the kind of elite, tested experience that keeps adventurers returning year after year.

With programs like the iconic “Million Footers,” celebrating those who’ve skied millions of vertical feet over years of loyalty, CMH has become more than a brand, it’s a benchmark. At Bobbie Burns, you don’t have to choose between luxury and adventure, because here, you get both.

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## FAVE Score

Category	Score	Notes
Fun	9.7	Every run feels like a highlight reel.
Adventure	9.8	Remote heli lifts, dynamic terrain, make each day visceral.
Value	7.7	All-inclusive luxury isn't cheap. Prime season is a premium
Ease	8.5	The trek from Calgary is a mission but infrastructure is excellent once in-hand.
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.9</b>	If you are looking for this level of skiing adventure, this is the best there is

*"If you're planning on building your ski-collection, this trip is definitely your level 3. Start planning your trip now."*

## GLOBAL OPTIONS: PROS & PITFALLS

- 01 Alaska:** It's legendary, vast vertical, steep faces, glacier terrain. But the weather is notoriously fickle. Many days you're grounded. Logistics are extreme, and backup plans are essential
- 02 Northern BC / Coast Ranges (Bell 2, Ripley Creek):** via Last Frontier Heli-Skiing offer rugged terrain, heavy snowfall, and impressive terrain tenure.
- 03** Totally wild new ops like **Great Bear Heli (Lower Dean River)** are pushing first descents, small groups, and premium experience. But access and infrastructure are still maturing.
- 04 CMH's roster across BC** offers consistency, safety, and infrastructure. Their Powder Masters program delivers around 100,000 ft vertical in a week.

Each of these incredible global options naturally have some very real trade-offs. My personal bias, based on my unique experience has to lean toward British Columbia's interior. The main reason for this is because it creates the absolute perfect balance of all you're looking for: snow, remoteness, and reliability.

# The Worlds Best Airbnbs: *Cape Town*

— By Megan Boshoff

A spacious coastal sanctuary with views of Table Mountain and the Atlantic Ocean

**W**e discovered a gem in Blouberg, Cape Town, a five-bedroom waterfront home just two roads from the beach. The moment we walked in, it felt more like a private coastal retreat than a rental. With five bedrooms, there was ample space for privacy, lounging, and hosting our team comfortably. Large windows and open living spaces bathed in natural light gave the home an airy, expansive feel.

What sets this home apart is its view.

From nearly every room, you see Table Mountain rising across the bay, the Atlantic stretching wide, and Robben Island etched in the distance. At sunset, the sky would erupt in color, and we found ourselves lingering indoors just to soak it all up.

Though the house is part of Cape Town's vibrant rhythm, it sits tucked away from traffic, creating a soothing buffer so you feel removed from the noise. Still, you're minutes from Blouberg's beaches, cafés, and coastal paths. Mornings brought the sound of waves, evenings offered that calm we rarely find in big cities.



## MOMENTS THAT STAY ON

The setting became our hub, with team gatherings, late-night conversations, and idea sessions, all against the backdrop of glass walls and coastal views. We spent hours at the nearby beach, cold water, yes, but refreshing and alive. The waves pulled us out, the sea teased us, and we returned each time wiped out but invigorated. Back at the house, we shared dinners, music, and laughter under the stars. In that home, it wasn't just a stay, it was part of the memory of Cape Town. If you're looking for a Cape Town base that gives you horizon, serenity, and connection, this five-bedroom Blouberg home delivers.



# Adventure Deals Worth Your Attention

So many options for great travel adventure, this is your shortcut to some of the best deals

As you can imagine, I see a lot of travel and adventure opportunities. Between direct messages, emails, third-party reps, tour operators, tourism boards, and friends who know what I like, hundreds of “deals” cross my desk every year. Most of them are easy passes. Some are good experiences but not great value. And every once in a while, one stops me long enough to say, *that’s interesting*.

When that happens, I save it. I share those with friends privately all the time, and now I’m sharing a curated version of them here.

These are not Reject Average trips. I do not represent these companies. I am not paid to promote them. These are simply adventures and travel opportunities that crossed my path and stood out either because the experience felt special, the value felt real, or the timing made them unusually compelling.

Do your own research. Read the fine print. Make sure they fit your travel style. But if you are looking to plan something on your own, outside of a hosted Reject Average experience, these are absolutely worth a look.



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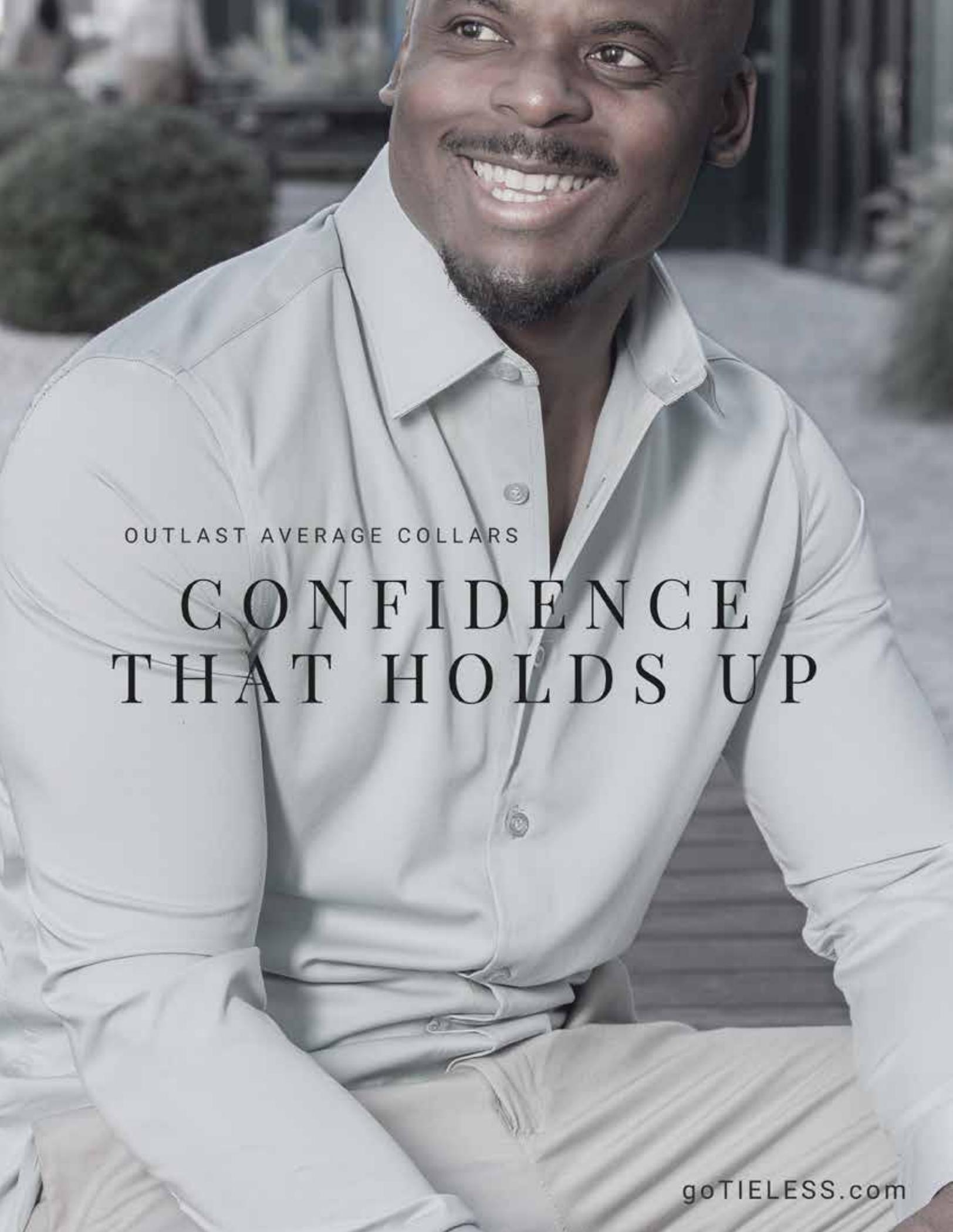
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