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SPOTLIGHT: INDIA

Fiona Caulfield

The Aussie expat and author of *Love Travel Guides* calls the subcontinent home.

THE REMOTE RED CITY of Bikaner, in the Thar Desert of Rajasthan, is newly accessible by plane from Delhi and Jaipur. The sandstone Junagarh Fort is home to the Badal Mahal—some say it's the most beautiful room in the world, with decorated walls that celebrate the monsoons.

DUNGARPUR is off the beaten path about three hours south of Udaipur and is an idyllic Rajasthani town. Stay at the splendid Udai Bilas (udaibilaspalace.com), a former palace with original 1940s decor.

JAIPUR HAS to be one of the world's great shopping destinations, and Brigitte Singh's exquisitely detailed block prints are destined to become the antiques of tomorrow (brigittesingh.com).



The Badal Mahal at Junagarh Fort in Bikaner. LEFT: Fiona Caulfield.

Brigitte Singh Makisan Buti fabric, \$78 a yard; aletaonline.com.

WHAT INSPIRED ME

Stretch Ferreira's camp in Zimbabwe (goliathsafaris.com) really moved me. He has a magical way with animals; he'll walk you up to a wild elephant or lion—and you'll live to tell the tale.

—BERNIE DE LE CUONA, TEXTILE DESIGNER



MUST-PACK

TIME TRAVEL

A wrist- or pocket watch or a portable clock is more graceful than a smartphone for keeping on schedule.

1. Ivory Enamel pocket watch, \$27,300; jaquet-droz.com.
2. Miss Audrey pocket watch, \$16,800; bovet.com.
3. 5531R Grand Complications wristwatch, price upon request; patek.com.
4. Travel Time alarm and desk clock, price upon request; harrywinston.com.
5. Tribute to Pallweber Edition "150 Years" pocket watch, \$66,500; iwc.com.

Cabrilla fabric, to the trade; pindler.com.

SPOTLIGHT: SANTA FE

Mahnaz Ispahani Bartos The dealer of top-drawer vintage jewelry has a soft spot for the New Mexican capital.

I GO TO SANTA FE FOR THE ARRESTING SKIES and rugged beauty of the landscape, its canyons and mesas. And also for the state's cultures: Native American, Spanish, and Mexican. It's a place where you can visit the Los Alamos National Laboratory and watch a tribal corn dance in Santo Domingo.

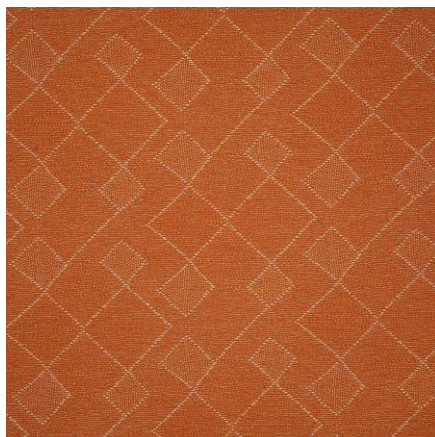
THERE ARE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES GALORE: Don't miss the Santa Fe Indian Market (swaia.org), held each August, or a performance at the Santa Fe Opera (santafeopera.org)—*Madame Butterfly* with the Sangre de Cristo Mountains as a backdrop. Other favorites: Shiprock Santa Fe (shiprocksanatafe.com) for Native American textiles and jewelry; Radish & Rye (radishandrye.com) for farm-to-table food and bourbon cocktails.



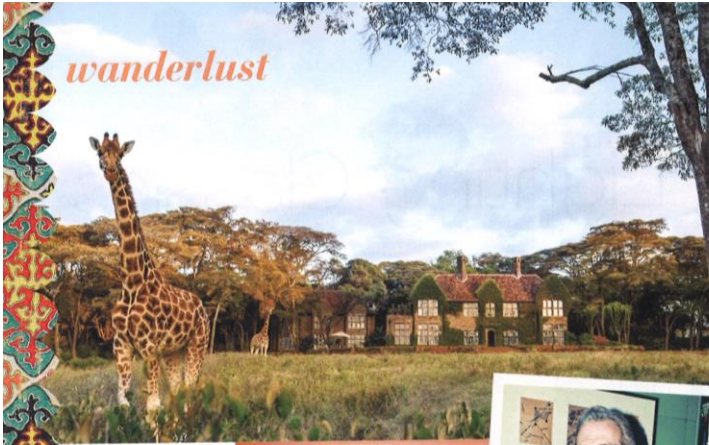
ABOVE: Mahnaz Ispahani Bartos. LEFT: Traditional Acoma pottery at the Santa Fe Indian Market.

BADAL MAHAL: GETTY IMAGES; FABRIC: DAVID LEWIS; WATCHES: ILLUSTRATION BY ALAMY

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CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: Giraffe Manor in Nairobi, Kenya. Ashley Hicks. The Koibird shop in London.



SUPER TRAVELER

Ashley Hicks

The world is an oyster for this London-based designer.

I KNOW THE GIRAFFE MANOR IN NAIROBI (*thesafaricollection.com*) might be gimmicky and has probably become a visual cliché at this point (thank you, social media), but it's hard to remain unimpressed when a giraffe pops his head into your window in the morning to wake you up.

MY WIFE LOVES THE NEW KOIBIRD shop in London (*koibird.com*), which means I love it, too, because I never know what to get her, and according to her, it has the best hat selection in the world (she's obsessed with owner Belma Gaudio's style). So it makes my life a lot simpler!

MILAN IS A CITY I ALWAYS RETURN TO.

There is so much history there, I'm never at a loss for discoveries. My top suggestions: the Museo Poldi Pezzoli (*museopoldi.pezzoli.it*) and the church of San Maurizio al Monastero Maggiore (*Corso Magenta, 15*) for culture; Giacomo (*giacomoristorante.com*) for a great meal; and Arjumand (*arjumandsworld.com*) to pick up a couple of souvenirs to take home.

WHAT INSPIRES ME

"In Guilin, China, I was entranced by the serene landscape that surrounds the city: green hills like spires, and clear water in 600-year-old rice paddies."—JANICE FELDMAN, FOUNDER & CEO, JANUS ET CIE



Roberto Coin charm bracelet, \$3,850, with charms from \$900 each; *neimanmarcus.com*.

RIGHT: The Agung Rai Museum of Art. **BELOW:** Alex Caputo.



SPOTLIGHT: BALI

Alex Caputo The New York-based designer travels often to Ubud to work with artisans on his global-chic jewelry line, Caputo & Co.

AGUNG RAI MUSEUM OF ART (*armabali.com*) is a must for exploring Balinese art and culture.

WATCH THE SUNSET at La Lucciola (011-62-361-

730838), an Italian restaurant in Seminyak.

GORGEOUS TEXTILES are on display at Threads of Life (*threadsoflife.com*), a gallery and archive that

supports local artisans.

COMO SHAMBHALA ESTATE (*comohotels.com*) is an amazing hotel with a magical location above the Ayung River.

BUILD A KEEPSAKE

LUCKY CHARMS

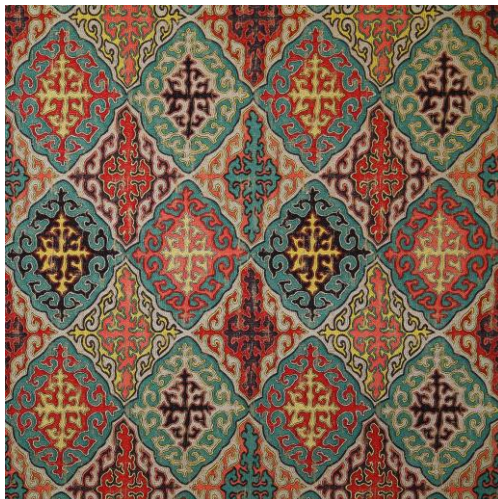
The charm bracelet is popping up on fashionable wrists again, and it's a glittering way to create a memento of your travels—a flower to mark a holiday in Provence, an "R" for Rome—that will last long after that tan has faded.

Taza fabric, to the trade; *pindler.com*.



LEFT: A traditional warp-ikat textile from Threads of Life.

HICKS: ARNAUD PIVVAL; GIRAFFE MANOR: THE SAFARI COLLECTION



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