



Wildlife

North America

The North American continent is one of a few developed countries to have such diverse countryside. From stunning mountain ranges and National Parks to wildlife preserves, striking deserts and fertile seas, the continent is home to a huge variety of wildlife. You will be able to encounter moose, wolf, reptiles, caribou, wildcats, black grizzly's and Polar bears.

The surrounding seas are full of a wide variety of whales including Minke, Orca and Humpback and they live alongside seabird colonies and seals.

- Knight Inlet Lodge, British Columbia – Grizzly Bear Watching
- Orca Sea-Kayaking Camp, British Columbia – Orca Watching
- Whale study week – Newfoundland
- Laurentides, Quebec – Black Bear Watching
- Wolves of Yellowstone Park, Wyoming

Australia

Wildlife such as you have never encountered before; from Kangaroos and Koalas to Wombats and Wallabies. Visit Kangaroo Island to

see Seals and Sea Eagles; beautiful Bottlenose dolphins in Port Stephens and for that underwater experience of a lifetime dive the Barrier Reef with its' abundant marine life.

New Zealand

Wildlife abounds in New Zealand. Visit the Bay of Islands and swim with Dolphins. Go whale watching at Kaikoura, see the yellow eyed penguins at Otago and the gannet colony at Cape Kidnappers. Catch a boat from Christchurch Harbour and see the World's smallest and most rare marine dolphin, and also experience seals, penguins and marine birdlife.

South Africa

Visitors come to South Africa in search of abundant wildlife, found in the country's numerous game reserves and conservation areas. Africa's big cats – lion, leopard and cheetah still prowl the ranges of their ancestors, together with elephant rhinoceros and hippos. May to October sees the Humpback Whales on their annual migration. Observe the shy Indopacific Dolphin which is a worldwide endangered species.



Photography

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It is always great to come back from your travels with fantastic stories of your adventures but it's even better to come back with photographs of the beautiful places you have visited!

- Grand Canyon
- Monument Valley
- Waterton-Glacier Peace Park
- Antebellum Homes of the Deep South
- Scenic Drives of the Rocky Mountain Region
- Beautiful rolling hills of the Blue Ridge Parkway

Australia

For spectacular coastal scenery with wonderful photo opportunities why not self-drive the Great Ocean Road between Melbourne and Adelaide; Hop on board the Kurunda Scenic Railway and the Skyrail to snap the Queensland Rainforest from above, or visit Western Australia to photograph the fantastic granite cliff of Wave Rock along with a trip to Nanbung National Park to see the eerie-looking limestone pillars called The Pinnacles.

New Zealand

We all love to take holiday snaps, but on a visit to New Zealand you won't be able to stop! Subjects for photography are limitless from million-dollar scenery, native culture, spectacular mountains and crystal clear lakes. See the perfect reflection of Mount Cook, or visit the Fox Glacier. Why not take a helicopter flight over the Pinnacles and land high up on the Glacier – a photographer's paradise.

South Africa

South Africa is a photographer's wonderland. Birds and animals abound, views to die for, and if you only have one click left, it must be Table Mountain at sunset – a truly magical and unforgettable experience. Remember the camera never lies – and that's certainly the case in South Africa.



Homes & Gardens

North America

North America is awash with wonderful gardens and stunning historic homes – from the Parks and Gardens of the Emerald Necklace in Boston to the grand Louisiana Plantations and Mississippi Antebellum Mansions.

Newport Rhode Island is ringed by Ocean Drive along which are perched some of New England's grandest mansions. These include Cornelius Vanderbilt's Breakers, and Rough Point owned by Doris Duke.

Other places of interest include:

- Butte, Montana – home to elegant mansions and vintage Victorian properties
- The Biltmore Estate in Asheville, North Carolina
- Hearst Castle in San Simeon California
- Savannah, Georgia's Historic Landmark District

Australia

Take a guided walk in Adelaide's famous Botanical Gardens, with its collections of endangered plants, wonderful palms and culinary and

medicinal herbs. Visit New South Wales' National Parks; take a tour out to Broken Hill, Kinchega National Park, home to the amazing Menindee Lakes, finishing in Mungo National Park to see its lunar landscape and abundant wildlife.

New Zealand

Visit Lamach Castle – the only castle in NZ – which is found at the tip of the beautiful Otago Peninsula. Also visit the Hamilton Gardens, set in 58 hectares of stunning scenery. Try something completely different – see the Waiau Waterworks with its famous sculptures and interactive contraptions.

South Africa

More than 24,000 plant species are found in South Africa which is nearly 10% of all the flowering species on earth. Many cities have their own botanical gardens and the Garden Route is so named because of the lushness of the vegetation.

An opportunity to visit the ancient rock sites of the San people lends a special dimension to this unusual floral journey.



Music

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Explore the rich heritage of music throughout North America.

The Blues Highway – a classic road trip through the cradle of musical innovation in America. Trace the story from New Orleans' Delta blues joints through Memphis, Nashville and eventually onto Chicago. Our Roots of Rhythm programmes offer tours throughout this region.

America's Southern Highlands are made up of the Blue Ridge Mountains and Western North Carolina. This is a region where traditional music, bluegrass, country & old-time and dance are performed and celebrated.

Australia

When in Sydney an absolute must is a visit to the Sydney Opera House. Each February Western Australia hosts Australia's foremost music festival with pub gigs and free outdoor events featuring every type of music from Blues and Roots to Indie Rock. For a truly authentic experience visit Tiapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park in Queensland. Enjoy this wonderful show of dance and

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popular music as it tells the tale of Tiapukai legends.

New Zealand

Maori Music is known worldwide. Visit the Mitai Village at Rotorua and experience a Maori Hangi and Concert. Enjoy a traditionally prepared and cooked Hangi (meal) and be entertained with songs, music and dance, including the poi, relating ancient stories and legends. A Hangi is really something to see – its beautiful, loud, exciting, and at times quite frightening! Or if you prefer, visit a show in Auckland – missed your favourite in England, you could well catch up with it in New Zealand.

South Africa

Music has always been part of the South African heritage since time began. Visit a township and be greeted by a local Marimba band, witness colourful Zulu dancers, try out traditional African instruments or maybe join a drumming circle. If you get a chance to see one of the famous College Choirs, don't miss it – you will not be disappointed.



Adventure

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North America's diverse landscapes provide a great backdrop to a wide variety of activities that can be enjoyed throughout this vast continent, from one day sightseeing to week long canoeing adventures.

- Sightseeing trips through Memphis in a 1955 pecos beige Cadillac
- Ranching holidays throughout North America and Canada
- Whale watching through the Strait of Georgia
- Jeep Tours through the Red Rock region of Sedona, Arizona
- Grand Canyon Rafting trips
- Dog Sledding in Western Canada
- Cycling the Gulf Islands of British Columbia
- Three Day Canoeing into the Algonquin Park in Ontario
- Sea Kayaking in Nova Scotia
- Hot Air Ballooning in Phoenix, Arizona
- Polar Bear Expeditions in Winnipeg

Australia

From climbing the Sydney Harbour Bridge, Diving the Great Barrier Reef or Hopping on a Hot Air Balloon

over Uluru, the opportunities for adventure are endless 'down under'. Take a wildlife adventure in Kakadu National Park near Darwin; challenge yourself with a sunrise climb of Ayres Rock and for the family visit the Gold Coast with its fantastic theme parks and golf courses.

New Zealand

If its adventure you crave, NZ is certainly the place for you. Choose from bungee jumping at Skippers Canyon, heli-skiing on the Tasman Glacier, White Water Rafting at Shover, Queens Town, hiking the Queen Charlotte Track, sky diving, hot air ballooning, mountain biking and much much more.

South Africa

If its nerve tingling adventure you require, South Africa is the place. Try hot air ballooning, white water rafting, rock climbing or just trek off the beaten track - perhaps staying in rustic accommodation including tented bushcamps located in remote wilderness areas. Really live the outdoor life!



Food & Wine

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Cajun & Creole cooking are one of America's greatest contributions to the field of gastronomy and were pioneered in Louisiana. Creole cuisine has Spanish and French influences and Cajun is generally more rustic. In New Orleans there are a few places you can learn the skills of cooking this style of food. California Wine – Napa Valley has always been associated with great wine and its vineyards include such famous names as Mumm Napa and Mondavi.

The wines of Santa Barbara County, California are well known to the wine connoisseur. Most tasting rooms are open to visitors year-round.

British Columbia's Okanagan Valley provides the perfect conditions for growing grapes and is home to picturesque wineries that produce some of the best wines in Canada.

Australia

Everyone knows Australia has some of the finest wine and fantastic food

in the world. Whether it's a journey from Melbourne's Yarra Valley, with its reputation as Australia's food and wine capital, through to the Adelaide Hills; or along the Margaret River to sample fine food and wines, you won't be disappointed, Cheers!

New Zealand

Pinot Noir, Sauvignon Blanc – sound familiar. If you are a wine buff a visit to the Marlborough Gourmet Province is a must. More than 40 wineries are within a mere 10 miles of Blenheim including Cloudy Bay and Montana Brancott. Why not continue your wine experience a little longer and visit the Waipara Valley, Canterbury's premier wine growing region.

South Africa

South Africa is justly proud of its wine reputation. Visit the famous Cape Winelands and sample the cool whites, or maybe a full bodied plummy red. Taste and enjoy!



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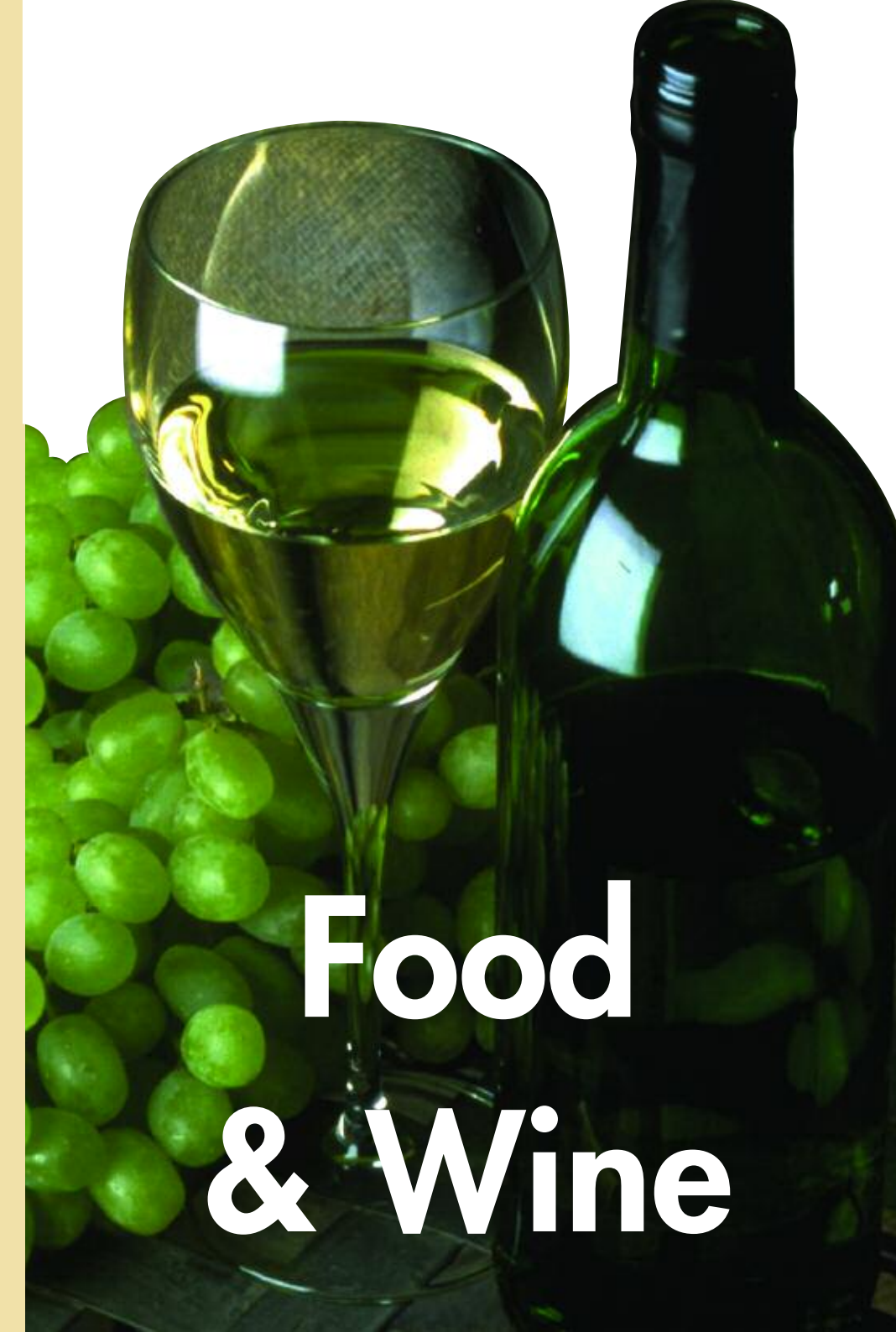
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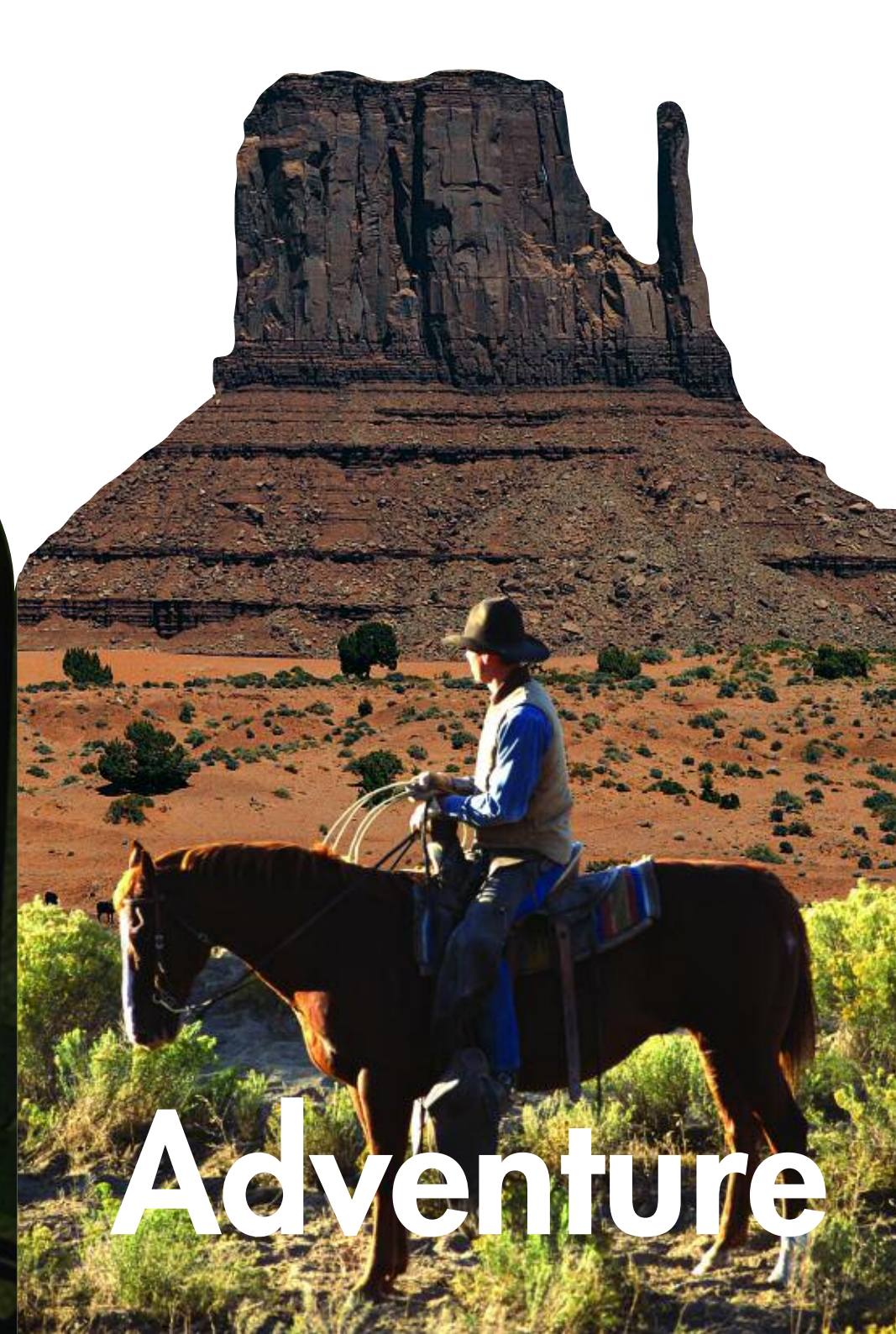
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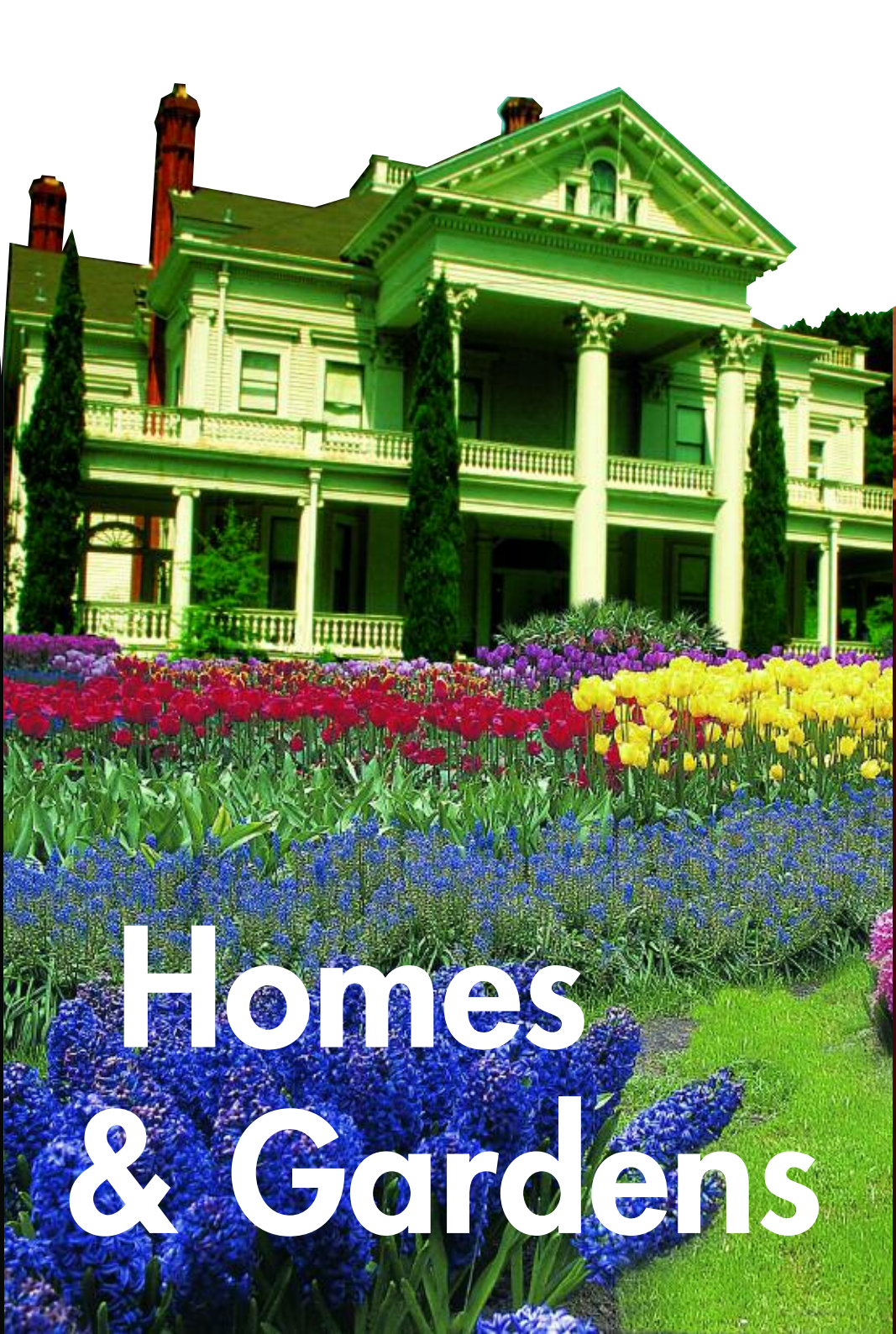
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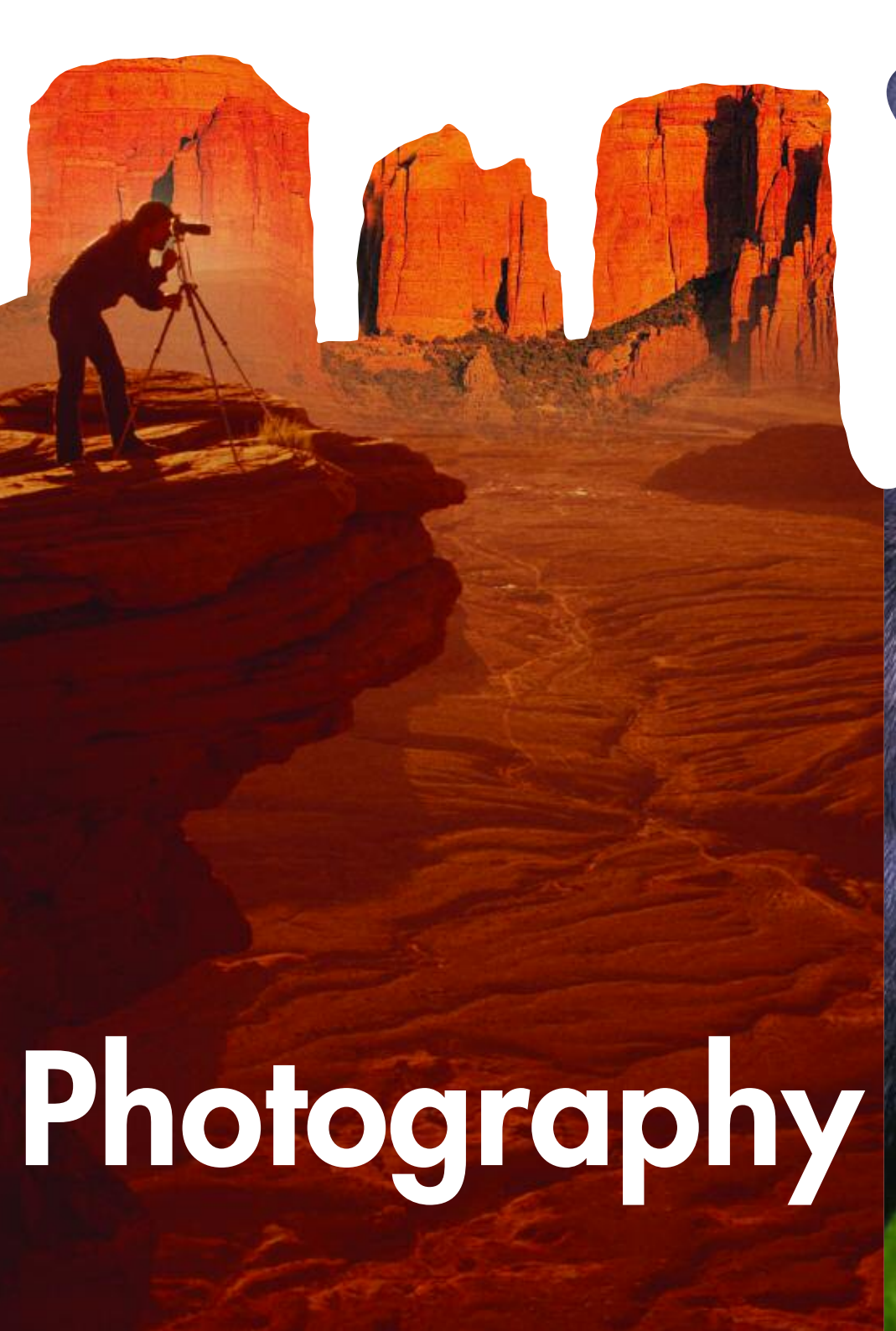
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