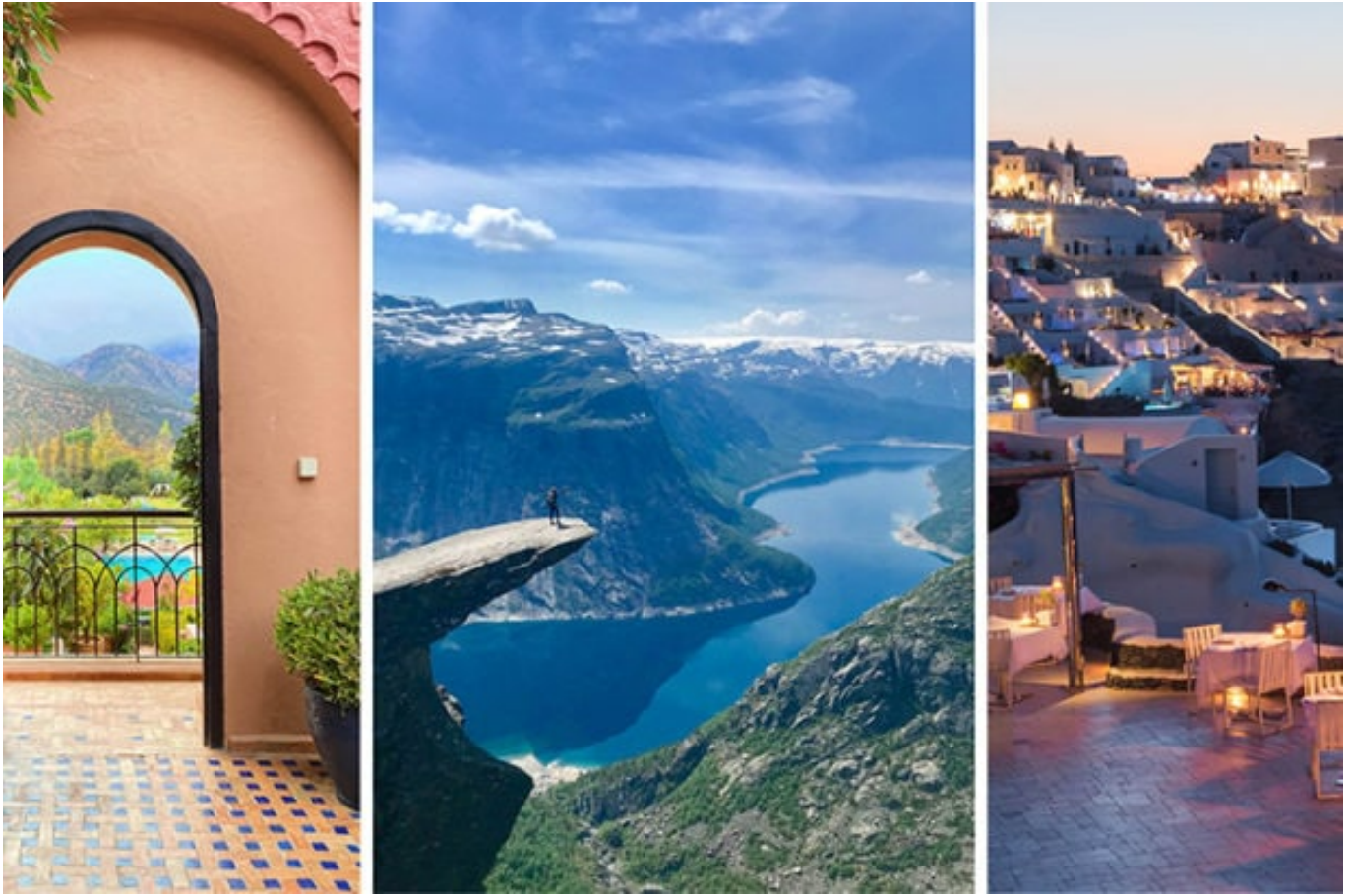




Indagare's Travel Wish List: The Places Our Team is Dreaming of for the Future



From left: A doorway at Richard Branson's Kasbah Tamadot in Morocco's Atlas Mountains; Indagare Trip Designer Kelly Brennan hiking Trolltunga in Norway; evening falls in Santorini, Greece.

While we stay home and practice social distancing, the Indagare staff is finding new ways to stay connected to our global community, as well as to each other. We recently spent time on Zoom sharing the destinations that are at the top of our own travel wish lists: the places that we are dreaming of returning to—and the ones that we have yet to explore—once it is safe to travel again. Here, we've rounded up the most popular destinations on our collective bucket list.

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What We're Dreaming Of: Spectacular Landscapes and Wide-Open Spaces



From left: Trip Designer Lexi Polster in the Galápagos; Trip Designers Ried, Julia, Natalie and Sam scouting in Botswana

The Places: [The Galápagos](#); [New Zealand](#); [Chile](#); [Iceland](#); [Botswana](#); [Zimbabwe](#); [Tanzania](#); [Alaska](#); [the Azores](#)

“After being inside for so long, I’m craving traveling to the ends of the Earth,” says **Trip Designer Lexi Polster**. “I’d love to return to the [Galápagos](#). It’s a place that remains untouched by crowds, and every day there presents a new adventure—it truly brings out the kid in everyone. One morning, our guide spotted a pod of dolphins in the distance, so we sped up in our panga boat to catch up with them, then jumped into the water so that they could all swim through us. There were dozens of them...and then, quick, back into the boat so that we could race ahead and do it again. It was such a fantastic and pure interaction with nature.”

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What We're Dreaming Of: Powerful Centers of Spiritual Energy



From left: Indagare's Simone Girner entering the city of Angkor Thom, Cambodia; Trip Designer Caroline Hansen hiking to Tiger's Nest in Bhutan

The Places: [Bhutan](#); [Ladakh, India](#); [Thailand](#); [Luang Prabang, Laos](#); [Cambodia](#); [Ethiopia](#); [Sedona, Arizona](#)

"I am in need of places that make me feel present," says **Trip Designer Steffi Fitzpatrick**. "I now know how precious our ability to explore the world is, and I want the destinations that I visit to reflect that." Few countries have made a deeper impact on the Indagare team than **Bhutan**; it has been unanimously described by those who have been as "powerfully transformative"—so much so that one of our team members chose to move there last year after a life-changing scouting trip. Bhutan is undeniably the most shared destination on our team's bucket lists, with good reason. Says **Trip Designer Caroline Hansen**: "I have never been anywhere quite like Bhutan. It opens up your heart and soul in a way that is hard to capture. Perhaps it is because the tiny country was never colonized, so it retains many of its ancient traditions, or the fact that it didn't open its doors to tourism until 1974...but the influence of Buddhism throughout and the majestic surroundings of the Himalayas make the experience of traveling there just magical."

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What We're Dreaming Of: Beloved Classics, Revisited



From left: The iconic “trulli” stone huts in Alberobello, Puglia, photographed by Indagare’s Jen Barr; Indagare’s Simone Girner enjoying a coffee break in Florence, Italy

The Places: Italy (Dolomites, Venice, Piedmont, Tuscany, Rome, Florence, Puglia, Amalfi Coast, Sicily, Ischia); Provence; the French Riviera; Japan (Tokyo, Kyoto, Hakone, Niseko, Naoshima Island, Yakushima Island); Russia (Moscow and St. Petersburg); Australia

“As soon as we can get back out on the road, I want to travel to support the places I love that have suffered the most during this time, and [Italy](#) is certainly one of them,” says **Creative Director Simone Girner**. “I am excited by the idea of combining a city that I love and know well, like [Rome](#), with areas that I have yet to explore. Top of my list will be [Puglia](#), which I know from our team members who have visited would make a wonderful road trip, with incredible fresh local seafood, charming, ancient towns and a serious olive oil scene with miles and miles of olive groves—both of which I am always very happy to discover.”

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What We're Dreaming Of: Ultimate Adventure and New Frontiers



From left: Trip Designer Phoebe Laughlin scouting in Egypt; an iceberg in Mikkelsen Harbor, Antarctica, photographed by Indagare's Colin Heinrich

The Places: [Antarctica](#); [Greenland](#); [Faroe Islands](#); [Namibia](#); [Egypt](#); [Mongolia](#); Centers of the Ancient Silk Road ([Uzbekistan](#), [Georgia](#), [Kazakhstan](#)); [Oman](#); [British Columbia](#)

"I feel a new sense of urgency to get to the countries on my bucket list," says **Trip Designer Madeline Case**. "**[Egypt](#)** is now at the very top. With the great uncertainty that we've lately been living with, I've found myself craving to reconnect with where we come from—to dive deeply into the cradle of civilization." While places like **[Egypt](#)**, **[Mongolia](#)** and **[Uzbekistan](#)** have must-be-seen, man-made treasures that are a reminder of just how far back time stretches, others, like **[Antarctica](#)** and **[Namibia](#)**, impress with the sheer, untouched vastness of the natural world. Says **Indagare Founder Melissa Biggs Bradley**: "In Namibia, the silence isn't just something you hear; you feel it. The open skies and unbroken horizons seem to reach into forever in a way that envelops you in a cloak of deep quiet and shifts your perspective."

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What We're Dreaming Of: Culture Hubs and Human Connection



From left: Moroccan mosaics in Marrakech, photographed by Trip Designer Charlotte Clayson; A woman shopping for groceries in rural Rajasthan, photographed by Indagare's Elise Bronzo

The Places: Cities of [India](#) (Delhi, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur, Agra, Mumbai); Sri Lanka; Morocco (Marrakech and Fez); Budapest; Paris; Mexico City; Brazil

“While the stillness of this time has in many ways been a gift, when we’re on the other side of this, I’m craving sensory overload,” says **Senior Director of Membership Elise Bronzo**. “I want to be saturated in color, to break bread with my fellow humans, to be reminded of our coexistence...so my mind is going to [India](#), where I’ve witnessed coexistence in ways I’ve never seen before. I’m dreaming of people-watching in the markets and outdoor cafés of [Delhi](#) and [Jaipur](#).” For other members of our team, the stimulation they seek is not that of the subcontinent, but rather of North Africa. Says **Sales Manager Sasha Feldman**: “I am hoping to return to [Marrakech](#) as soon as I can. I miss the sound of the call to prayer, the hustle and bustle of the souk and the intricate Moorish architecture lining winding alleyways whose doors might contain a simple bakery or perhaps an opulent palace—there, you never know.”

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What We're Dreaming Of: Relaxation and Places of Peace



From left: The pool at Casa Pueblo Tulum, photographed by Indagare's Elizabeth Harvey; the Four Seasons Bora Bora, photographed by Indagare's Janine Yu

The Places: The [Maldives](#); the [Seychelles](#); [Indonesia](#); [Mexico \(Tulum and Cabo\)](#); [Costa Rica](#); [Papua New Guinea](#); [St. Barth's](#); [Bora Bora](#); [Turks & Caicos](#); [Six Senses Douro Valley, Portugal](#); [Ananda Spa in the Himalayas](#); [Cal-a-Vie, California](#); [Amanemu, Japan](#); [Les Sources de Caudalie, France](#); [Lake Como, Italy](#); [Greece \(Santorini, Mykonos, Paros, Sifnos\)](#)

"I don't usually gravitate towards beach destinations, but lately I have been daydreaming of [Tulum](#), where I traveled exactly one year ago to review [Casa Pueblo](#), a new boutique hotel in town that feels like an incredibly cool friend's private home," says **Associate Editor Elizabeth Harvey**. "Upon arrival, I was immediately swept up in the bohemian magic of Tulum, with its white-sand beaches and aqua-blue waters, effortlessly chic hangouts, beautiful people, dense jungles and a pervasive sense of being somewhere that's rooted in the Earth. I discovered that many of the travelers who fall in love with this place make annual pilgrimages back to reconnect and restore, and this is a tradition that I hope to begin for myself, when we can travel again. Plus, I'm

dying to check out Casa Pueblo’s new sister property, **Boca Paila**, which recently opened on the beach road and has the most fabulous red-and-white-checkered-tile pool.”

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What We’re Dreaming Of: Our Own Backyards



From left: Trip Designer Kial Church horseback riding in Jackson Hole, Wyoming; an indulgent bathroom at the Ranch at Rock Creek in Montana, photographed by Trip Designer Caroline Barry

The Places: [Alaska](#); [Hawaii](#); [Jackson Hole, Wyoming](#); [Montana](#); [California](#); [Charleston, South Carolina](#); [New Orleans, Louisiana](#); [Utah](#); [the Grand Canyon](#); [Texas \(Marfa, Big Bend National Park, Palo Duro Canyon\)](#)

“We so often take our own backyard for granted, but the temporary closing of borders around the world has made me realize that there are equally amazing trips that we can be organizing to destinations within the United States,” says **Trip Designer Ried Stelly**. “Being back in [Austin, Texas](#), I’ve never had a stronger desire to witness the natural wonders here. From [Marfa](#), which is known for its top-notch contemporary art scene, as well as unparalleled stargazing, one can reach **Big Bend National Park**, which is often referred to as the “Little Grand Canyon,” and has thrilling kayaking and

white-water rafting, with shorter wait times and fewer crowds; and hiking through the **Palo Duro Canyon**. All of these places are easily accessible by car or private plane from Texas' major cities, and there are some wonderful luxury properties where you can relax after a day of outdoor activities, such as **Lajitas Golf Resort and Spa** and **Cibolo Creek Ranch**. For my next travel adventure, I want to rent an Airstream caravan and embark on a road trip through the American Southwest, experiencing the majestic landscapes so eloquently depicted by the great westward explorers."

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