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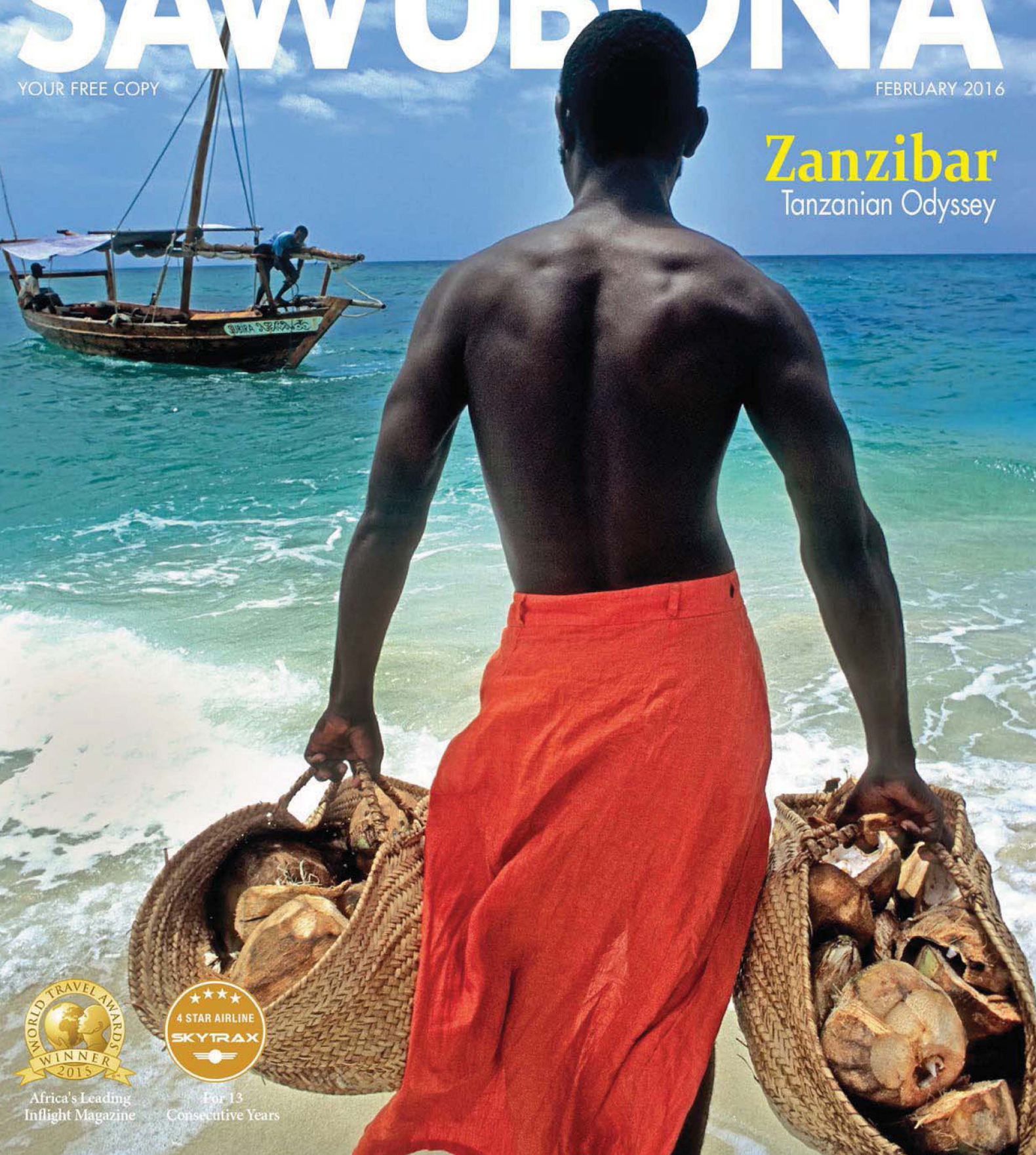
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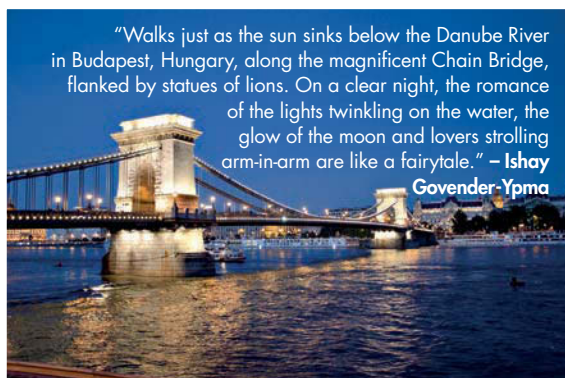


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"New York, of course – driving over the bridge into the city. It's Gatsby, the skyline, the energy... It's love, it's life." – **Daniel Scheffler**



"Walks just as the sun sinks below the Danube River in Budapest, Hungary, along the magnificent Chain Bridge, flanked by statues of lions. On a clear night, the romance of the lights twinkling on the water, the glow of the moon and lovers strolling arm-in-arm are like a fairytale." – **Ishay Govender-Ypma**

"Whitby, East Yorkshire, UK during a road trip with my mother in 2006. Whitby was a favourite holiday destination of my maternal grandparents, Ted and Barbara, and they firmly rated the Maggie Café as serving the best fish and chips in England. The picturesque seaside town and its evocative St Mary's Church (with its 199-step climb) was also an inspiration for Bram Stoker's *Dracula*. My deeply personal association with the town, plus the sense of history which pervades it, is singularly evocative, charming and romantic." – **Cara Bouwer**

WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD

Our contributors share their most romantic views in the world – with surprising results

RIGHT: "In October I was in Torres del Paine National Park at the bottom of Patagonia, Chile, home of the third-biggest ice field in the world. It was remote, desolate, pristine and achingly beautiful. Possibly the most beautiful place I've ever been to – but not for sissies!" – **Kate Turkington**

BELOW: "The view from our villa at the Six Senses Resort on the island of Con Dao in Vietnam, where my wife and I spent our honeymoon. I have wonderful memories of a beautiful, unspoiled week in paradise." – **Dan Nicholl**



LEFT: "The Kasbah city of Ait Ben Haddou in Morocco for the nostalgia it evokes of other worlds and ancient times. And how people lived and loved here in their mountain fortress, build by hand from sand." – **Keri Harvey**

"It happened in Cape Town while I was a student. I saw a homeless, elderly couple pushing a rusty shopping trolley filled with their possessions. They did this while holding hands. With the little they had, they still managed to be romantic. It's stuck with me ever since." – **Sibusiso Mkwana**



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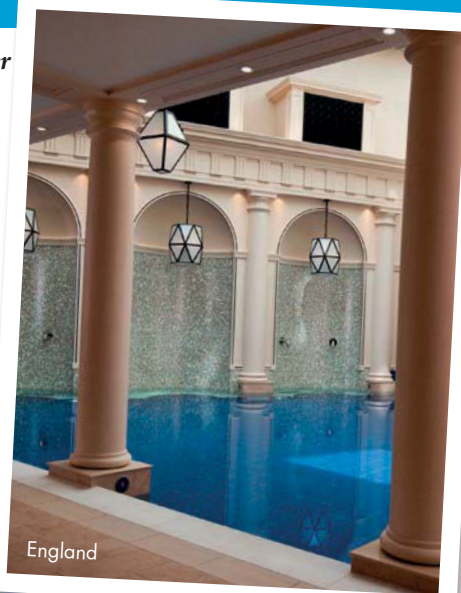
GLOBAL EYE



Dutch Caribbean

SABA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN: Having never really promoted itself, the island of Saba, meaning "unspoiled queen", is gaining traction as the next global scuba-diving destination. It has the smallest airport in the world and you can enjoy low-key Caribbean beauty on foot. Beat the crowds.

Visit: www.sabatourism.com



England

NEW YORK: From the always-interesting Gerber group comes its latest hot spot, Mr Purple on Orchard St on the Lower East Side. With a rooftop terrace on the 15th floor, a sexy pool and traditional Jewish snacks, the action continues until 4am. Not that the city ever goes to sleep. Visit: www.mrpurplenyc.com

New York



BATH, ENGLAND: This was where one of the first spas in the world was built, when the occupying Romans discovered the area's natural thermal springs. During the Seventies, the pools were closed – but now you can again enjoy the therapeutic waters at the new Thermae Bath Spa and the fabulous Gainsborough Bath Spa. Visit: www.thegainsboroughbathspa.co.uk



The Caribbean

THE CARIBBEAN: Including Costa Rica, Guatemala, El Salvador and Mexico, the Azamara cruise emerges from major upgrades. Its new Insider Access programmes focus on destination immersion, sunshine and happiness on and off the boat – good practice for its epic world voyage launching in 2018. Visit: www.azamaraclubcruises.com



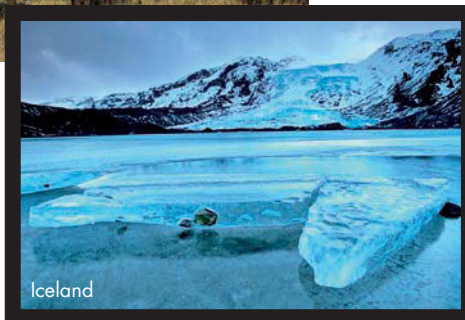
Zimbabwe

HWANGE NATIONAL PARK, ZIMBABWE: Safari pundit Wilderness's new Linkwasha Camp offers coveted summer game-viewing. Close to the Ngamo Plains on a private concession, the camp overlooks a pan and is designed in a contemporary style, combined with old-world safari charm. Lounge at the pool or spend time spotting sable or gemsbok. Another tough day... Visit: www.wilderness-safaris.com



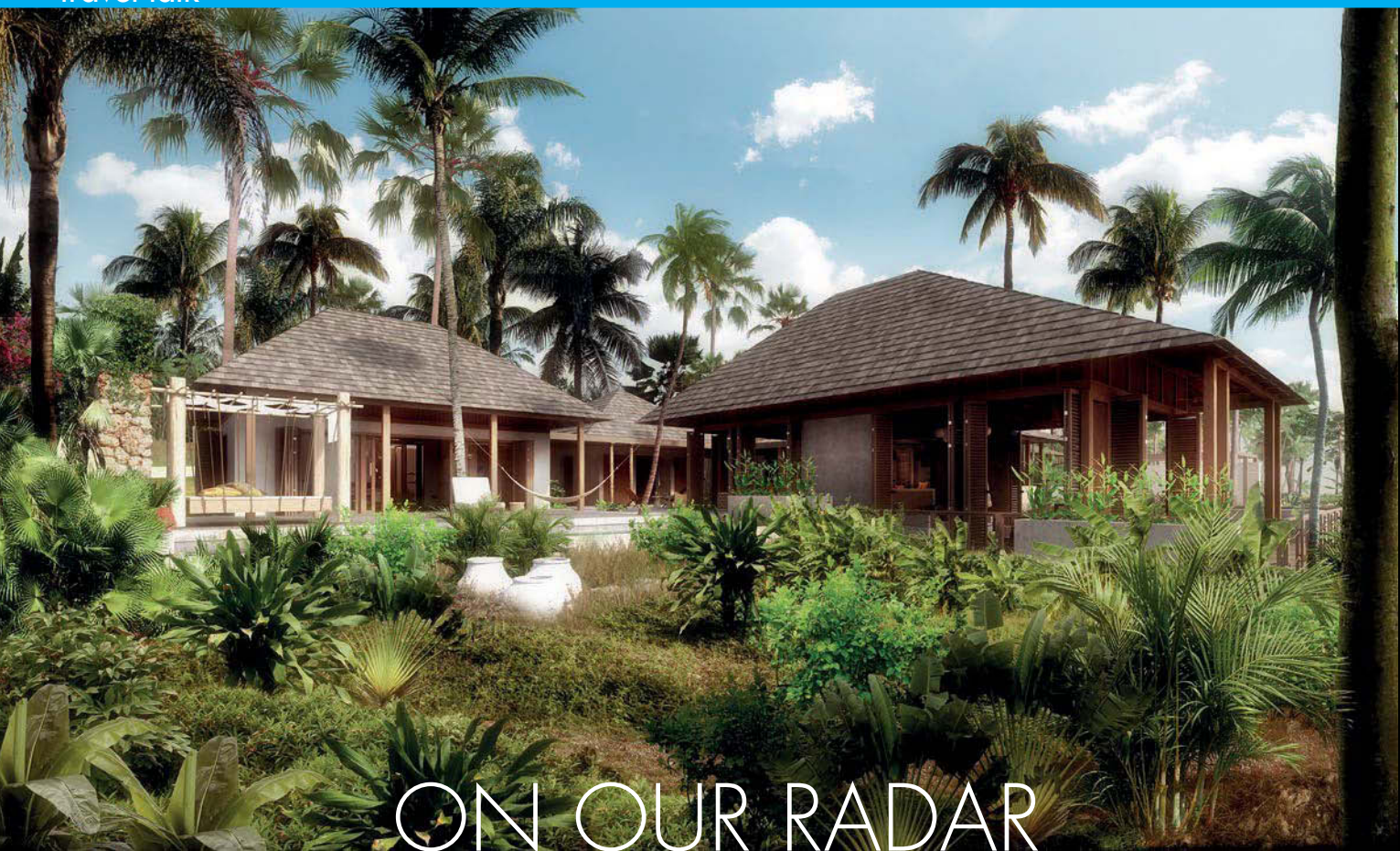
Japan

AGO BAY, JAPAN: Besides its pearl culture and hundreds of uninhabited islands to explore, Ago Bay also has Ise, the world's most sacred Shinto shrine (recently restored for the 62nd time using no nails, of course). This was also the location of the 2016 G7 summit, chosen for its proximity to the Ise-Shima National Park. All of which makes it the ideal spot for the brand-new Aman Resort, Amanemu, opening soon. Visit: www.aman.com/resorts/amanemu



Iceland

REYKJAVIK, ICELAND: In the wake of the powerful Vikings stand glaciers and hot springs, not to mention an almost underwater-like beauty all around. There's no better time to explore Iceland than now, with new hotels, 4x4s and programmes taking you closer to the ice and deeper under water. Visit: www.abercrombiekent.co.uk



ON OUR RADAR

Like to plan your holiday well ahead of schedule? For 2017, take note of Zuri Zanzibar, a new hotel resort by architects and interior designers Jestico + Whiles. Think of it as an “off-grid” resort, a self-sufficient village with 60 individual cabanas and five larger villas, as well as restaurants, bars, yoga and meditation spaces, and massage cabanas. There’ll also be some very cool “green” features: cabanas will use shade and sea breeze to help create a natural ventilation system, rainwater will be harvested and two wells will pump salt water into a desalination plant, supplying clean, fresh water to the whole resort.



TRAVEL BUG

With a recent show at MOMA in Cape Town and the soon-to-open Cosmopolitan building in Maboneng, Johannesburg, artist Jonathan Freemantle – the co-owner of Hazard Gallery – is travelling a lot.

Favourite holiday destination? The Cederberg. A basic lapa perched on the top of a waterfall surrounded by ancient mountains is magical.

Best travel advice? Listen to the locals and be spontaneous. Go off piste.

What two things are always in your suitcase? A sketchbook and a fountain pen.

What travel book has most inspired you? *Meetings With Remarkable Men* by George Gurdjieff (Martino Fine Books).

Visit: www.jonathanfreemantle.com

A SMOOTH RIDE

Car enthusiast? Whether you’re just browsing or ready to invest, explore the impressive Crossley & Webb showroom adjacent to Cape Town’s Wembley Square. A destination for motoring buffs, the floor’s filled with exotic and classic cars that are simply drool-worthy. You’ll find Sixties and Seventies Jags and Aston Martins, as well as recently-launched Maseratis and Lamborghinis – and loads in between. If you have nowhere to store your ride, Crossley & Webb will house it for you until you’re ready for your next spin. Visit: www.crossley-webb.com

