

# THE BUCKET LIST

Europe – an ancient continent marked by natural wonders and survived by strong people whose cultures are built to last. Need a boost to get off the sofa and see what is waiting for you? Here is your incomplete, starter bucket list to inspire you to make your own. Or, use ours and do them all, one number at a time.

1. Skydive from 15,000 in Seville, Spain.
2. Stop by Berlin's Checkpoint Charlie.
3. Leave behind the chaos of modern Athens in the old quarter of Pláka.
4. See the brightly colored fishing boats in the Maltese village of Marsaxlokk.
5. Gaze at the famous Hallgrímskirkja Church in Reykjavík, Iceland.
6. Tour Highclere Castle, the primary set for "Downton Abbey."
7. Wander around the old city of Rhodes.
8. Binge at the EuroChocolate festival in Perugia, Italy.
9. Get the scoop at the Beatles Story museum in Liverpool.
10. Swim laps in an infinity pool overlooking the cliffs of Santorini.
11. Run the Gourmet Half Marathon in Saarbrücken, Germany.
12. Explore the structures built into boulders in Monsanto, Portugal.
13. Recreate the 007 stunt in "Golden Eye" with a bungee jump from Switzerland's Verzasca Dam.
14. Applaud tennis pros at Wimbledon.
15. Sample vodka with the locals in Warsaw.
16. Buy paprika at Budapest's Great Market Hall.
17. Venture on the road less traveled to the vibrantly painted town of Zalipie, Poland.
18. Rest in the super-sized nest at Sweden's Treehotel.
19. Giggle at the humorous details of Hamburg's Miniatur Wunderland.
20. Feel your skin prickle at the Capuchin



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**SKYDIVE FROM 15,000 FEET IN SEVILLE, SPAIN.**

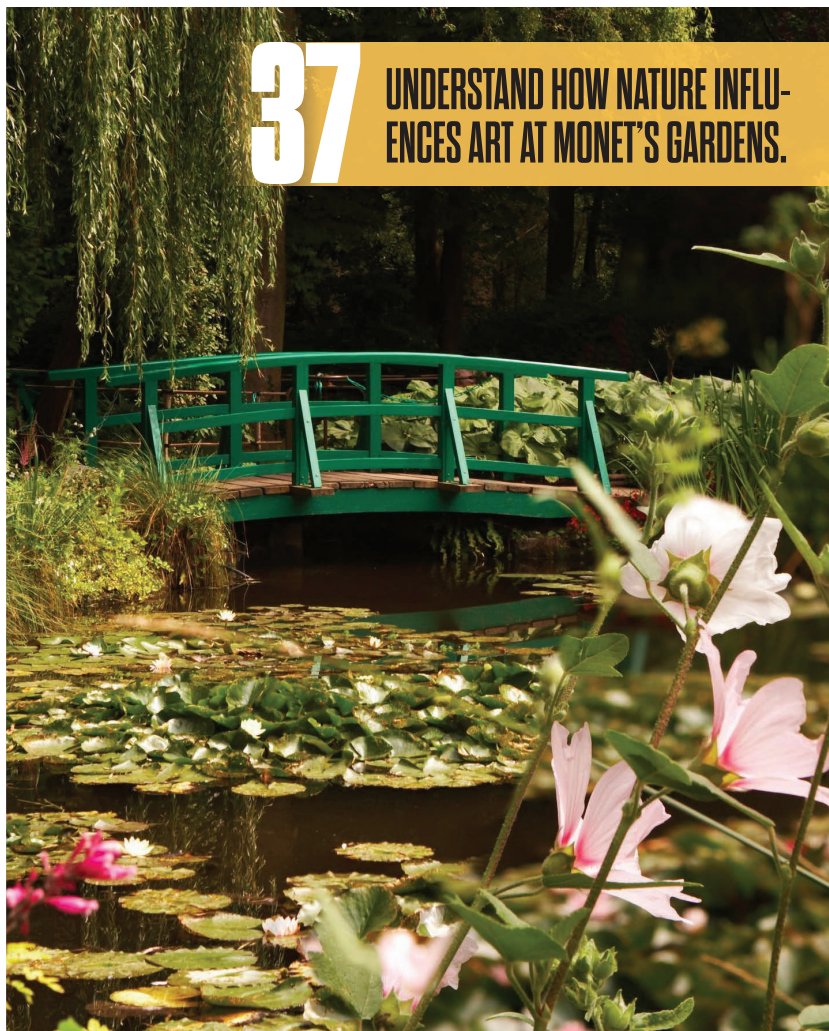


## 21 SAVOR SALMON SASHIMI ON THE COAST OF NORWAY.

- Catacombs of Palermo, Sicily.
21. Savor salmon sashimi on the coast of Norway.
  22. Ski or snowboard and experience après-ski in the Swiss Alps.
  23. Witness the sunset from a villa on Montenegro's Sveti Stefan islet.
  24. Wear your finest and look out for Britain's VIPs at the Royal Ascot horse race.
  25. Beware at the Berlin Story Bunker, a WWII shelter transformed into a haunted house and museum.
  26. Be amazed by Albert Kahn's "Archives of the Planet" photography collection in Paris.
  27. Have a gourmet meal in the sky above Brussels.
  28. Explore Malta's ancient megalithic ruins.
  29. Take your motorcycle for a joy ride on the curves of the Transalpina route in Romania.
  30. Relax in Bath, England's therapeutic waters.
  31. Celebrate the arts during Edinburgh's International Festival and outlandish Fringe Festival.
  32. Grasp the consequences of the Holocaust at the Auschwitz concentration camp.
  33. Scarf down Rome's snack of *suppli*.
  34. Meander through Poland's Crooked Forest.
  35. Crowd surf at Vienna's Danube Island Festival, a music fest boasting 20+ stages and 2,000 performers.
  36. Wine and dine at the harbor in Dubrovnik, Croatia.
  37. Understand how nature influences art at Monet's gardens in Giverny, France.

38. Observe Mt. Stromboli's ongoing volcanic eruption.
39. Photograph the blue-tiled mosaics of Porto, Portugal.
40. Book a journey on the Swiss Chocolate Train.
41. Cruise Iceland's Golden Circle.
42. Stare at the Egyptian mummies in London's British Museum.
43. Learn to dance the ceilidh in Scotland.
44. Harness up to climb the via ferratas of the Italian Dolomites.
45. Order from the giant cheese dome at Strasbourg's La Cloche à Fromage.
46. Be awestruck by the limestone formations of Pamukkale, Turkey.
47. Sail by Norway's Geirangerfjord and Ørnesvingen.
48. Find out how Parma ham is made in its namesake Italian city.
49. Regard the opulence of Château Chenonceau.

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## 37 UNDERSTAND HOW NATURE INFLUENCES ART AT MONET'S GARDENS.





## 54 ENJOY THE VIEW FROM AGIOS IOANNIS STO KASTRI, THE GREEK CHURCH FILMED IN "MAMMA MIA!"

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- 50.** Pick up eye-catching glass souvenirs in Murano.
- 51.** Take it easy on a pub crawl in Dublin.
- 52.** Purchase Baltic amber in Lithuania.
- 53.** Ride a camel across the sand dunes of Gran Canaria.
- 54.** Enjoy the view from Agios Ioannis sto Kastri, the Greek church filmed in "Mamma Mia!"
- 55.** Discover Paleolithic paintings inside the Chauvet-Pont-d'Arc cave of southern France.
- 56.** Sample potato tortillas and churros at breakfast in Madrid.
- 57.** Hike to Slovenia's cliffside Predjama Castle.
- 58.** Appreciate the façade of the Saint Panteleimon monastery in Ohrid, Macedonia.
- 59.** Shop for Prada at the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II in Milan.
- 60.** Have dinner inside the giant wine barrel in Bad Dürkheim, Germany.
- 61.** Notice Prague's love of art nouveau.
- 62.** Behold the grandeur of the illuminated Segovia Cathedral at night.
- 63.** Sink your spoon into Salzburg's signature *Nockerl* soufflé.
- 64.** Watch the amateur New Year's Eve fireworks from the ramparts of a German castle ruin.
- 65.** Scuba dive Neptune's Grotto in Sardinia.
- 66.** Trek to the city ruins of Troy.
- 67.** Ascend the frozen waterfalls of Rjukan, Norway.
- 68.** Admire the Moorish ornamentation of the Royal Alcázar in Seville.
- 69.** Voyage across the frigid Baltic Sea in an ice-breaking ship.
- 70.** Soak in the naturally formed, steaming pools of Tuscany's Saturnia Hot Springs.
- 71.** See 9th century vessels at the Viking Ship Museum in Oslo.



## 59 SHOP FOR PRADA AT THE GALLERIA VITTORIO EMANUELE II IN MILAN.



72. Follow in Napoleon's footsteps and don't get lost in the hedge maze of Villa Pisani.
73. Grab friends to pedal a beer bike in Amsterdam.
74. Indulge with a luxurious escape at The Witchery hotel near Edinburgh Castle.
75. Welcome the year's longest days at the Midsummer Festival in Stockholm.
76. Pick your flavors of colorful macarons at Ladurée in Paris.
77. Marvel at the whimsical landscape of the Fairy Glen on the Isle of Skye.
78. See the stave churches of Scandinavia.
79. Make noise for the underdog at a European football game.
80. Catch a show in London's theater district.
81. Spend away at Paris' Galeries Lafayette.
82. Peer at Budapest from the verandas of Fisherman's Bastion.
83. Close your eyes while riding Shambhala, Europe's tallest roller coaster.
84. Go all in at the Casino de Monte-Carlo.
85. Snack on fish and chips on the English coast.
86. Sunbathe on the 2,000-foot-tall Pulpit Rock in Norway.
87. Engorge on white asparagus during Germany's Spargelzeit.
88. Ponder the giant statues of Turkey's Mount Nemrut.
89. Peruse the shelves of Livraria Lello & Irmão, Porto's fanciful, historic bookstore.
90. Have raclette and fondue in Switzerland.
91. Sip bubbly and devour French cuisine in the Champagne region.
92. Check out Frenchman Ferdinand Cheval's Ideal Palace.
93. Praise a Bolshoi Ballet performance in Moscow.
94. Kayak the sapphire waters of the Verdon Gorge.
95. Look at Asia from Istanbul's Bosphorus Strait.
96. Find Ludwig II's Venus Grotto at Linderhof Palace.
97. Spot a rainbow over Krimml Waterfalls, the tallest in Europe.

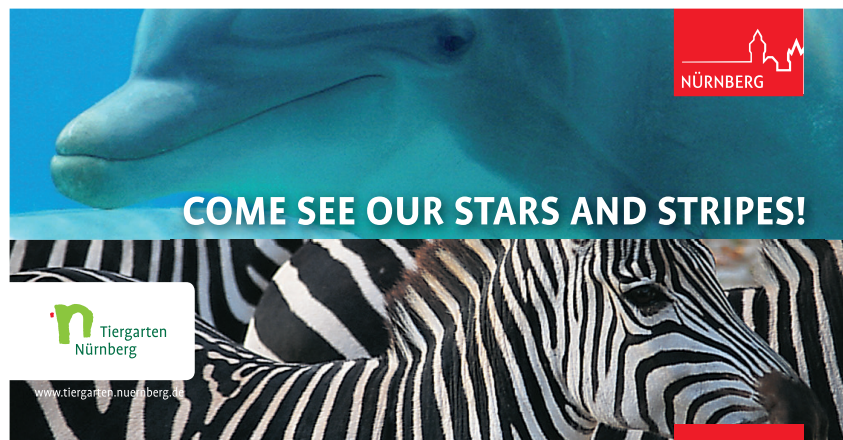


**79 MAKE NOISE FOR THE UNDERDOG AT A EUROPEAN FOOTBALL GAME.**

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98. Watch craftsmen carve cuckoo clocks in the Black Forest.
99. Be awestruck by the Midnight Sun at Norway's North Cape.
100. Search for the Manneken Pis in Brussels.
101. Compete against your friends to visit the most countries.

No matter how many we list, they just keep coming. Check back in future issues for a new Bucket List installment. ■



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