

# TravelBITS



## SOAK IT IN

 The world's first crowd-funded beer hotel, The DogHouse is slated to open this fall in Columbus, OH. Scottish beer company BrewDog's first hotel will feature a tap in every room, beer-stocked minibars in the showers and a hot tub filled with IPA; brewdog.com. SOURCE: FORBES

## GOOD TIMING

 When trying to plan a fall getaway, a little planning can do wonders. Weather.com offers interactive maps that estimate the peak fall foliage for the year. SOURCE: WEATHER.COM



## FREE ADMISSION

 The best things in life are free. These U.S. museums won't let you down:

- Smithsonian Museums, Washington, DC
- Getty Center, Los Angeles
- National Museum of Mexican Art, Chicago
- Walters Art Museum, Baltimore
- Museum of Contemporary Photography, Chicago
- Frye Art Museum, Seattle
- Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland
- The Alamo, San Antonio
- The Museum at the Fashion Institute of Technology, New York
- Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore

SOURCE: TRAVEL CHANNEL

## Introvert's Delight



New York's LaGuardia Airport now offers private booths that can be rented. The booth, called a Jabbrbox, offers Wi-Fi, USB charging, speakers, flight trackers and mood lighting. Starting at \$10 for 15 minutes and increasing to \$30 for an hour, it's hard to put a price on some alone time; jabbrbox.com. SOURCE: FOODANDWINE.COM

## HOT LIST

 Alila Fort Bishangarh in Northern India was listed as one of the best hotels on Condé Nast Traveler's Hot List. The 230-year-old warrior fort turned hotel is a mix of original features with contemporary design. A stunning location in the Aravalli Hills near Jaipur makes the hotel worth a stay; alilahotel.com. SOURCE: CNTRAVELER.COM

## LARGER THAN LIFE

 Disney's Hollywood Studios Park in Florida welcomes its newest major attraction – Toy Story Land. The 11-acre park is designed to make visitors feel toy-sized. The Slinky Dog Coaster and Alien Swirling Saucers are geared toward young children while the nostalgia of toys from the past makes the park enjoyable for adult visitors; disneyworld.disney.go.com. SOURCE: WASHINGTON POST



## AUTHENTIC OKTOBERFEST

 The quaint Bavarian-style small town of Leavenworth, WA hosts an array of Oktoberfest activities throughout October. leavenworthoktoberfest.com. SOURCE: COUNTRY LIVING

## TRAVEL SMART

 Autumn is a great time for road trips, but most GPS and mapping apps fall short when it comes to leaving your route. iExit tells you exactly what is near every highway exit. Gas stations, restaurants, ATMs and more, iExit knows where it's at; iexitapp.com. SOURCE: PCMAG.COM

## Precarious Promenade



A new suspension bridge, The Cloudraker Skybridge, was recently opened at British Columbia's Whistler Blackcomb ski resort. Spanning the gap between Whistler's peak and the West Ridge, the bridge sits 6,562 feet above the valley and trails below. Panoramic views of mountains and nearby lakes make the dizzying 427-foot walk worth it; [whistlerblackcomb.com](http://whistlerblackcomb.com).

SOURCE: CONDÉ NAST TRAVELER



### TRAVEL CURE

 French auto manufacturer, Citroën, has introduced Seetroën glasses. The glasses eliminate motion sickness in adults and children over 10; [lifestyle.citroen.com](http://lifestyle.citroen.com). SOURCE: LONELY PLANET

### RIVER CRUISE LINE

 *Travel + Leisure's* World's Best Awards survey ranked Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection the number one River Cruise Line in the world. With ships on the Danube, the Rhine and the Ganges, to name a few, the all-inclusive river cruise line is sure to have a destination for everyone; [uniworld.com](http://uniworld.com). SOURCE: TRAVEL + LEISURE

### OUT IN SPACE

 German airline Lufthansa is now offering long-distance, business-class passengers the opportunity to eat like an astronaut. In celebration of Alexander Gerst's six-month mission aboard the International Space Station, the airline is serving dinners identical to his extraterrestrial fare. Options include cheese spaetzle with bacon and chicken ragout with mushrooms.

SOURCE: CHICAGO TRIBUNE

### PUMPKIN SHOW IN OHIO

 Have you been desperately searching for the world's largest pumpkin pie? Look no further than Circleville, OH and the Circleville Pumpkin Show. As the sixth largest festival of any kind in the country, it draws a crowd. It hosts a pumpkin parade, pet parade, Big Wheel Race, a pumpkin toss, pie eating contest, pumpkin carving and much more. Open from October 17-20, admission is free; [pumpkinshow.com](http://pumpkinshow.com). SOURCE: OHIOTRAVELER.COM

### NEW CONNECTIONS

 Volotea is now offering flights from Munich to Montpellier in the south of France and Munich to Zaragoza in north-eastern Spain. Other destinations already served by Volotea from Munich are Bordeaux, Mykonos and Asturias. SOURCE: MUNICH-AIRPORT.COM

### WALK EVERYWHERE

 London has announced its plan to become the world's most walkable city. The "Walking Action Plan" will invest £2.2 billion in redesigning streets, as well as adding more pedestrian crossings, better signs and new infrastructure. SOURCE: LONELY PLANET

### SUPERB SAFARI

 Personalized service, idyllic setting and an authentic sense of connection to culture and wildlife won Gibb's Farm in Karatu, Tanzania the first place slot for the second year in row, in *Travel + Leisure's* Readers Choice Awards for Best Safari Lodges; [gibbsfarm.com](http://gibbsfarm.com). SOURCE: TRAVEL + LEISURE



### WHERE TO WINE

 Snake River Valley spans parts of Oregon and Idaho and is the new frontier for American winemakers. The soil, altitude and climate all coalesce to form a grapevine's dream. Wineries to check out include Telaya Wine Co., Coiled, Cinder and Split Rail Winery.

SOURCE: FOODANDWINE.COM

### VACATION SUSTAINABLY

 Belgium start-up – Slow Cabins – offers secret cabins whose locations are revealed only after booking. The cabins are moveable, off-grid and environmentally friendly, using filtered rainwater collection, solar panels and dry toilets. Bookings come with tips for activities in the local area. Slow Cabins currently have several cabins in secret locations in Belgium, and are planning to expand elsewhere in Europe; [slowcabins.be](http://slowcabins.be).

SOURCE: SPRINGWISE NEWSLETTER