

## November/December 2020 Issue

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Dear JourneyWoman,

Two years ago, I downsized my life: I sold my house, auctioned and donated most of my belongings and prepared for travel. With all my treasures in a backpack, I rented a small furnished apartment. I put a world map on the wall and covered it in sticky notes about the places I wanted to visit. My plan was to start travelling around the world this fall, following warm winds and sunshine.

That dream was postponed, but it's still alive. Over the past months, it has been sustained by the women of this community. Thank to you for subscribing to JourneyWoman, sharing your stories, joining our Community Calls and webinars, supporting our membership program, and for actively being teachers, mentors and role models.

In this issue, we explore the rituals of travel, the joy of our memories and the anticipation of what's to come. Looking ahead, a new year is weeks away, infusing us with new hope and promise. What questions do you have about travel in the future? I'd love to hear them!

Please, take care and be safe,

Carolyn

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## Memories + Rituals



Solo Travel Memoirs: How a Passion for Bees Inspires Beekeeper Tita Manice to Travel by Carolyn Ray: Intrepid solo traveller Tita Manice has travelled to over 68 countries, including India, New Zealand, Bhutan and Morocco. Her passion for the uncharted path is equaled only by her passion for small insects – bees – that inspire her to seek out beekeepers and honey around the world. (Don't miss Tita in our Behind the Scenes Webinar on November 24!)

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Global Flavours: Memories of Places We've Loved by Amanda Burgess: Bubbi-Inspired Cherry-Pistachio Rugelach. Sorrento-Inspired Tiramisu. Paris-inspired Beef Tartare. Just in time for the holidays, JourneyWomen share short stories and (downloadable) recipes from past travels in this *yummy* piece, evoking memories and emotions from the places we've visited. Bon appétit!

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Armchair Travels: A Journey Through a Grandmother's Travel Diaries by Amanda Burgess: A recent JourneyWoman Community Call inspired seasoned solo traveller Marillee Carroll to dig out her grandmother's travel diaries. She spent a weekend time travelling on the words, impressions and emotions scrawled by her grandmother's hand in the summer of 1939 – just ahead of the start of WWII.

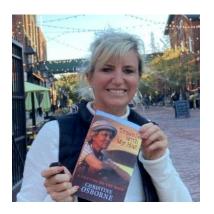
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8 Simple Rules to Financially Safeguard your Future Travel Plans by Amanda Burgess: Post-pandemic, there are more considerations and implications to travel than ever before. JourneyWoman Advisory Council member Libby Wildman shares her expert tips to help you save and plan for your next travel adventure. (Member Exclusive) (Don't miss Libby in our Travel Planning Webinar on December 3!)

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Best Women's Travel Books for 2021: This year, our book club has travelled to Ireland, France, Portugal, the Middle East and will finish with Egypt (this week!) and Brazil. Where should we go next? Your book club co-hosts Carolyn and Wendy are preparing our 2021 Book Club list and need your suggestions! Fill out our form here or email your picks to <a href="mailto:info@journeywoman.com">info@journeywoman.com</a> by Friday, November 20.

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Community News: Events + Webinars

**11 Ways for Women to Stay Inspired about Travel During a Pandemic:** We are always thinking of new ways to support you. Here are 11 things we're doing to keep you inspired about travel, some of which might be a surprise! (**CLICK HERE**)

**JW Circle Membership:** Know a woman who loves to travel? Our membership makes a great holiday gift! **CLICK!** 

Upcoming Events: To learn more and register please our new Calendar HERE

**JW Community Calls**: Indonesia/Australia on Tuesday, November 17 at 5 pm AEST, East Coast every Friday at 10 am ET, West Coast December 10 at 11 am PT

**November 18, 8 pm ET: November Book Club:** 'Mistress of Nothing' (Egypt) featuring special guest speaker Allison Villasenor, director of AAA Exclusive Vacations.

**November 24, 8 pm ET: 'Behind the Scenes' Solo Travel Webinar** featuring Older Adventuresses Tita Manice and Diana Eden, hosted by Editor Amanda Burgess.

**December 3: Essential Travel Readiness Planning:** Ask our panel of experts about Insurance, Legal and Financial Planning, hosted by Carolyn Ray.

**December 16, December Book Club:** 'State of Wonder' by Ann Patchett (Brazil) with special guest (TBD!)

If you can't attend an event live, you can watch them afterwards on our website HERE or our YouTube channel here.

## Anticipating Travel: Featured Destinations



Destination Morocco: Safety Tips for Mature Women Travelling in Muslim Countries by Diana Eden: Contributing writer Diana Eden shares safety tips gleaned from her travels through Morocco with her sister – two women in their 70s who chose to stay in the peaceful oasis of riads as balm to the heat and chaos of a dazzling country always in motion. (Don't miss Diana in our Behind the Scenes Webinar on November 24!)

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We'll be Back: Postcards to Places we've Travelled to: The Destinations We'll Help Rebuild by Amanda Burgess: We know that women – the key decision-makers in travel – will shape its future. Our choices, our demands, and where we put our dollars will influence how the industry rebuilds and reinvents itself. In this piece, 23 women pen postcards to places they plan to revisit post-pandemic.

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## A British JourneyWoman Shares her Top Virtual Seminars to Discover London from Home by Joy

**Fox:** JourneyWoman Joy shares her list of fascinating virtual tours offered by our partner Context Travel about art, architecture and history, including the Tube, Tower of London, Westminster, Sir John Soane's Museum, London's New East End and Banksy. (*Includes sponsored content*)

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How I Rediscovered my Solo Travel Mojo in New Zealand's South Island by Amanda Burgess: Editor Amanda Burgess chronicles her two-week adventure through New Zealand's South Island – the crazy things she did on her 'Adrenaline Junkie' tour, the friends she made, and her insights about this breathtaking country, its people, and herself.

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Women's Travel Directory: HOT Deals (Sponsored ads)



Detox, Yoga and Discovery Retreat in Honduras: Join Doni Belau from Girls Guide to Paris for a fresh start with a wellness retreat in Roatán, a gorgeous Caribbean island about 40 miles off the northern coast of Honduras, in January 2021. (Almost sold out!) The country is open and accepting visitors from the US, Canada and elsewhere with proof of a negative COVID-19 test. This is the perfect way to rejuvenate our minds, bodies and spirits to prepare for what we hope is much better year in 2021. Email <u>Doni</u> OR <u>click</u> <u>here</u> to reserve your spot. \*Safety protocols have been put in place to make this trip as safe as humanly possible. (Sponsored)



How about Bali in 2021? Babes in Bali Tours is gearing up for tours in July and October 2021. Want to explore Bali but don't want to deal with big groups that can't deeply experience the magic, people, and unique culture like a small group can? Then you've got to join renowned Bali expert Cathy Gotfried as she WOWS you while exploring all her secret places! Click <a href="here">here</a> to learn more. (Sponsored)



Private Jungle Vacations in the Honduras Rainforest:
Adventurous female travelers will love <u>Las Cascadas Lodge</u>, a safe, private, and LGBT friendly hotel in the rainforest.
Catering to small groups or solo travellers, the hotel can arrange a multitude of eco and cultural activities, or simply provide a restful and relaxing environment. Click <u>here</u> to learn more. (Sponsored)

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