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Dear JourneyWoman,

Today, I'm making a presentation about JourneyWoman at an event. I'm excited but a little nervous too—it's the first opportunity I've had to reflect on what we've accomplished together over the past year and a half. Did you know this all started with a photograph of Evelyn and I at the same place in Ushuaia, Argentina? Thanks to that photo, I've learned a lot about trusting my intuition. I've also learned that JourneyWoman is much more than a travel website—it's a unique community of like-minded, incredible women. Women who truly care about each other and have embraced a level of generosity and kindness I have never experienced before.

I want to show my gratitude and appreciation to you at our **28th Anniversary Celebration on April 22**, **which is also Earth Day**. I also want to talk about our role as women—as the primary influencers in travel, we can lead the way by being more intentional in our choices and traveling with purpose. I have exciting news to share about our plans for the future, including some new partnerships that I think you will love. Sign up **here**.

One last thing: we've been working hard to make our <u>Destination page</u> more useful to you. With 28 years of content, this is an enormous job, but now you can find our recommended best places for solo travel, slow travel, renewal, wildlife and more. We're also creating a series of Women's Guides by country, which include tips, safety information, women-friendly tours and more. We're featuring Italy now and the UK will be next. What do you think?

Please take care and be safe! Every day is a step closer to travel!



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JourneyWoman™: Inspiring women to travel since 1994

Growth: Hike, Dance and Walk!

Every issue we bring you brand new, original content to keep you inspired and share the wisdom of women. This month's Growth issue is filled to bursting with #TravelReady tips, including the best US trails for women hikers, our new book partnership with the Wordy Traveller, and virtual events to help you stay safe at home and in the future.



10 Best US Hikes for Women by Amanda Burgess: A quick-hit guide to America's 10 best trails for hikers of all experience levels, from Alaska to California to Utah, as selected by an all-woman panel of hiking experts.

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EVENT: April 7, 4 pm ET: Travel Safety for Women: Join Publisher Carolyn Ray and women's self-defense expert Lorna Selig from Safe4Life for an interactive session on women's travel safety, including physical techniques to protect you from assault and attack. This is session 4 of our popular #TravelReady series. (Please take our Safety Survey too!)

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Hiking Switzerland's Gentle Jura Crest Trail: A Self-Guided Tour of the Swiss Alps by Anna Hobbs: Guest writer Anna Hobbs shares her fulfilling experience hiking the Jura Crest Trail, a long-distance hike in Switzerland that runs parallel to the Swiss-French border.

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Calling all Book Lovers: JourneyWoman and The Wordy Traveler Want to Keep You Inspired About Travel: The new JourneyWoman "Sand to Sea" Edition invites you to explore Morocco, sail the Caribbean and head to magical Greece with our May, June and July books.

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Travelling the World Through Dance: How Aliénor Salmon Found Happiness by Taking the First Step by Carolyn Ray: In Finding Rhythm: An International Dance Journey, Aliénor Salmon embarks on a dance journey around the world, from Argentina to Portugal and places in between. On the way, she discovers how beautiful life can be when you take the first step.

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EVENT: March 30, 8 pm ET: Solo Travel Wisdom: Calling all women adventurers Join Editor Amanda Burgess and five female hiking experts from the US National Parks Service, Parks Canada and the Great Trail for a one-hour panel discussion on all things hiking. This episode covers women's hiking safety, preparation, trails for all levels of hikers, and more. If you love hiking and travel, this is one you won't want to miss.

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Upcoming Events + Community Calls

JourneyWoman #TravelReady Events: Preparing for Future Travel All of our events are free. If you'd like to host one please let me know! EVENTS Calendar HERE. Have feedback to share? Do it here.

- March 30: Solo Travel Wisdom: Growth. Register here
- April 7: Solo Travel Safety Tips from a Self-Defense Expert. Register here.
- April 17: Book Club: Lands of Lost Borders: A Journey on the Silk Road.
 Register here.
- April 22: JourneyWoman Anniversary Celebration + Earth Day. Register here.

JOURNEYWOMAN COMMUNITY CALLS: Connect with other women on our JW Community Calls: East Coast every Friday at 10 am ET with Carolyn + Amanda, plus our monthly West Coast call with Marillee. Learn more here. We're also looking for women who want to host calls. Email editor@journeywoman.com for more information.

WITS ONLINE 2021: Our friends at Wanderful are hosting the week-long Women in Travel Summit for content creators on April 21-24. You can get a free ticket <u>here</u> which includes access to the Bessie Awards on April 24, live sessions and keynotes. For those who want to join workshops there is also a paid option for \$29. Use discount code **JW15** for 15% off all tickets.

All of our events are free, but we've adopted a Pay-What-You-Can Model to donate proceeds to non-profit organizations chosen by our speakers. You can read more about this **HERE**.

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

CALLING ALL AUTHORS: Have you published a travel memoir or book? Email editor@journeywoman.com to be featured in our new series on women's travel books.

We list women-friendly tour companies in our <u>Women's Travel Directory</u>. By joining our Directory, you have access to a global group of tour operators who share ideas and resources in support of safer travel for women. Learn more <u>HERE</u>.

If you'd like to discuss a brand partnership for 2021, please **email info@journeywoman.com**.

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