

Here, there, and everywhere



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ALL-MAPLE WEEKEND

IN VERMONT

Indulge your sweet tooth at the Maple Open House Weekend, a two-day event celebrating sugaring season (March 25-26). Participating sugarhouses throughout Vermont invite visitors to experience how maple syrup is made as well as other activities, including tours of the woods and sugarhouses, maple candy making demos, pancake breakfasts — with pure maple syrup, of course! — and

opportunities to taste traditional sugar-on-snow, maple donuts, maple cotton candy, maple creams and other maple goodies. An interactive map details participating locations with links to individual websites. New this year: The inclusion of breweries, distilleries, and restaurants that highlight uses for maple in their products and on their menus, as well as partnering inns and B&Bs.

vermontmaple.org/openhouse

LIGHTHOUSE PHOTO BOOKS

Lighthouse geeks — and you know who you are — love to travel from one coastal beacon to another. Now educator and photographer Allan Wood has published two books of lighthouses in New England (one Southern and one Northern) that you can savor from the comfort of your couch, or use to plan a future trip. Each book contains more than 360 color photos and maps as well as practical directions, historical tidbits and folklore related to each lighthouse, and organizations involved in local preservation. Also includes information on nearby tours, attractions, and other sites of interest in the surrounding coastal communities. \$24.99 www.schifferbooks.com/lighthouses-and-coastal-attractions-of-southern-new-england-connecticut-rhode-island-and-massachusetts-6150.html

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QUEBEC MUSEUM'S FACE

RECOGNITION CONTEST

Do you look more like Caesar or Venus? A Roman athlete or a Greek nymph? The Musée de la civilisation in Quebec City has a fun new project — My 2000-Year-Old Double — that aims to answer these questions. Working in partnership with two Swiss art institutions, the museum encourages everyone to submit a photo of their face. Using face recognition software, the museum then matches your mug with those of some 60 sculptures created 2000 years ago. The museum will then will create an exhibition of 30 selected contest participants, immortalized by Québec art photographer François

Brunelle, and pair them with works from the Greco-Roman and Egyptian collections of the Musée d'art et d'histoire de Genève and the Fondation Gandur pour l'Art. Musée d'art et d'histoire de Genève. (Oct. 24, 2018-Oct. 27, 2019) Submit photos online through April 30. Free.

monsosie.mcq.org/en/

SIP AND SLEEP AT THE DISTILLERY

London's first gin hotel has arrived with a splash on Portobello Road in the heart of Notting Hill. The Distillery offers four floors of all-things-gin including a restaurant, museum, and three luxury, boutique guest rooms. In the Resting Room, enjoy a selection of international spirits aged in hand-built barrels suspended above the bar; in GinTonica, a Spanish-inspired bar and kitchen, sample numerous varieties of G&Ts including some garnished with orange, lavender and cocoa nibs. The Distillery is also the new home of The Ginstute, a below ground space where guests can enjoy a three-hour gin-making experience led by master distiller Jake Burger, learn the spirited history of London's favorite drink, and leave with their own personally blended gin (\$140). Accommodations from \$186. www.the-distillery.london

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STYLISH COMPRESSION

LEGGWARE

Cramped airline seats and long flights can cause troublesome swelling in the legs, as well as blood clots and other health complications. Recent studies show that airline passengers who wear compression stockings during flights lasting longer than four hours can significantly reduce these risks. In the past, these types of socks came in two styles: ugly and ugly. Not anymore. Now you can look fashionable and take care of yourself with VIM & VIGR's new and stylish compression socks for men and women. Stripes, argyles, polka dots, camouflage, floral styles, and more are available in a variety of colors, and fabrics including cotton, nylon, wool, and moisture-wick nylon. Women's compression tights and unisex sleeves are also available. From \$32.95. vimvigr.com

BACKPACK COOLER TOTE

Mountain Khaki's Compass Cooler Backpack Tote is a unique way to transport chilled beverages to your next beach party or camping trip. Holding up to 50 dry-stacked cans, the backpack features one-half inch (15mm) foam for insulation, tote handle, water-resistant zippered top with security pocket underneath, concealable backpack straps, climbing rope grab handle on side, and an attached bottle opener lanyard. Seamless vinyl drop-in liner is easy-to-clean. Available in two colors. \$149.95. www.mountainkhakis.com/products/gear/bags/compass-backpack-cooler-tote-664/black

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