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MY **5** TRAVEL ESSENTIALS

Designer *Tony Chi* travels to get out of the well.

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TONY CHI IS RESPONSIBLE FOR creating some of the hotel and restaurant world's most photographed interiors, from Rosewood London's bold black-and-white-accented lobby to the sleek lines of the sky-high Park Hyatt Shanghai. When he travels for pleasure he prefers a solo experience. "I do what I want to do for a change instead of what I need to do," says the Taipei-born designer, who divides his time between his homes in New York and Buenos Aires. "I read, draw, write, listen to music, even watch a movie every now and then."

I DON'T LEAVE HOME WITHOUT:

1. Two scarves in a carrying case. Always protect your neck. It is through your neck that you get illnesses.

2. A tea bottle and high-mountain oolong tea.



3. A notebook.



4. Reading material. Some recent books: *Culture Care* by Makoto Fujimura, *Inferno* by Dan Brown, and *Being Peace* by Thich Nhat Hanh.

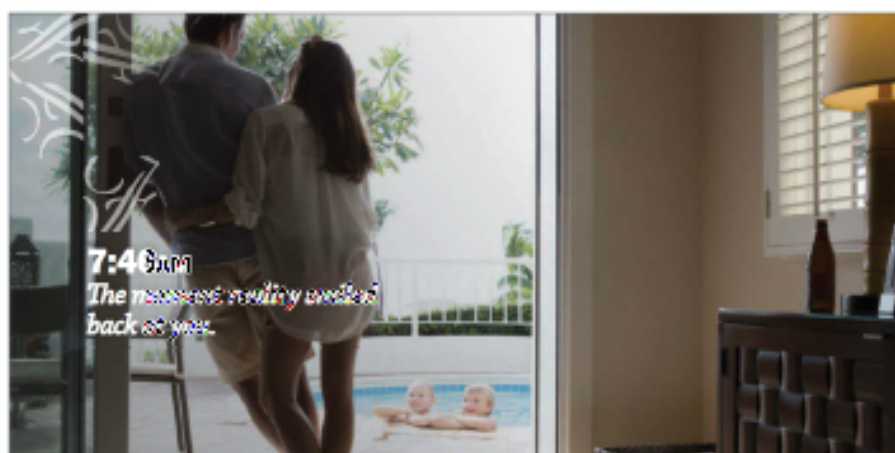
5. Francis Klein or Morgenthal Fredericks sunglasses.



"I travel to learn, to expand, and to embrace life and cultures. I will not be a frog who lives at the bottom of the well. There is life and adventure to be experienced far beyond the aperture of the well!"

TONY CHI'S TRAVEL ENDORSEMENTS

- **Tokyo** is visually rich. You see the heritage, a thousand years all together at once. I admire the architecture, the social structure. The society is so organized and intriguing.
- There is nothing more majestic than approaching a city by water. **Venice** is a walking city, a pedestrian city. In Venice, earth and water coexist like the sun and the moon.
- I adore the humbleness and laid-back rhythm of **Taipei**, my birthplace. When I go there, I have a sense of coming home.
- **Argentina** is my home in the south for the last eight years and my favorite destination. There is a great sense of the past intertwining with a beautifully slow progression forward. I love most of all the genuine warmth of the people and the land. My most recent trip was last November. We were taking some friends – their first time to South America. Our 20-day trip began as we rendezvoused in New York. From there we went to Buenos Aires. We took a journey to **Peru**, to Machu Picchu, Cuzco, and the Sacred Valley.
- One hotel I admire greatly is Cuzco's **Inkaterra**. It has a design with a local Peruvian heritage and materials. The operating philosophy involves the Inca/Peruvian tradition of hospitality. It is one of the most well-designed hotels I've ever stayed in. vt



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