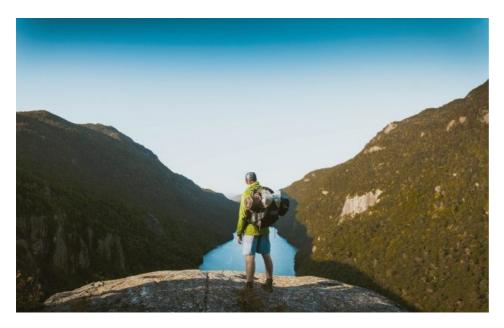
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# You think hiking is boring? Hiking is the new relaxing!

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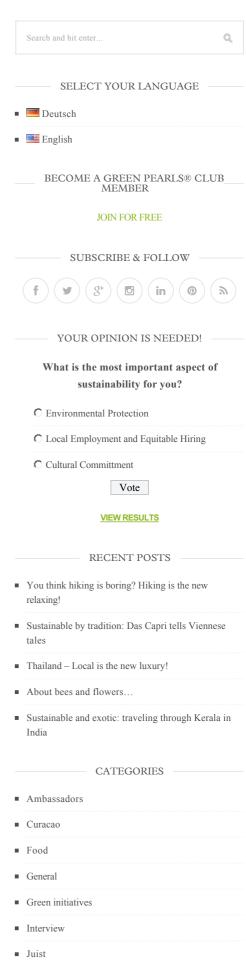
"Only if you walked there, you have truly been there", Germany's famous poet Johann Wolfgang von Goethe already knew that. We think that,too. That's why we selected exciting hiking trips as well as hotels, that have the potential to make the heart of a hiker beat a little faster.

### Heidi says hey



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Within close reach of the Hotel Leitlhof in the Dolomites, a variety of hiking trips start on a regular basis. The two nature parks Drei Zinnen and Fanes-Sennes-Prags offer visitors a great deal of trails through the huge mountains of the Sextner Dolomites. Hiking guide Hermann cares to show hikers unique impressions of the Sextner mountains. Furthermore, free tours start four times a week and guests can register for them at the reception desk the evening before the hike. One especially popular route, is the tour to the Dreizack, where hikers can either climb their way to the top or hike around it, if they prefer a lighter form of activity.



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### Night 'n' Day



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In Peru, more specifically between Cusco and the historic sanctuary of Machu Picchu the Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba can be found. Overall five unique tours are offered to adventure seeking guests. One of them being the Twilight Mountain Tour. During sunset, hikers are able to admire the magical lights the sun shows between the change of day and night. Adding to that, hikers are also able to learn all about the importance astronomy has in the Andes region.

#### Mountain cabin fun



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In front of the beautiful setting of the Berchtesgaden Alps and its national park, you can find the Berghotel Rehlegg. A total of four mountain ranges meet here. The Reiteralpe, Lattengebirge, Watzmann and Hochkalter. Hiking fans are able to join 30 different hiking tours, that begin right outside the hotel. Furthermore, the Berghotel Rehlegg guarantees successful tours by providing mountain- and hiking guides, who share their favorite routes with guests and also show them where to find the most pristine mountain cabins on their way.

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## Discover Sri Lanka's wildlife by Amaya

Sri Lanka has a lot to offer to its visitors. For example the Horton Plains National Park, which is located not far from the Hunas Falls by Amaya on the southern plateau in the country's central highlands. Moreover, hikers are able to discover the species rich fauna 2,100 to 2,300 meters above the ground, when walking on the trails of the national park. As a matter of fact, the park is home to 24 mammal-, 87 bird-, 9 reptile- and 8 amphibian species. With just a little luck you will spot an animal on your hike, too.

#### A meadow of edelweiss



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The Hotel Outside is located amidst National Park Hohe Tauern in eastern Tyrol. Hiking enthusiasts are able to follow their desire for adventures, when taking part in one of the guided tours that the hotel is offering four to five times a week. Passionate hiking experts are willing to answer every possible question concerning the topic of hiking. On top of that, visitors do not have to worry about equipment either. Hiking sticks and backpacks can easily be rented from the hotel. Clearly a regional highlight: the edelweiss meadow. A hike through alpine meadows and airy larch forests leads you to a rock ledge before revealing the beauty of a breathtaking meadow overgrown with edelweiss flowers.



















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