

Leakage

Just \$5 of every \$100 spent in a developing country stays in that destination.

*World Tourism Organization 2013 report.

OVERTOURISM

- "Another popular Thai beach, Koh Tachai, has been closed to the public for almost two years because of mass tourism".
- "In Maya Bay, recent surveys by a team led by marine biologists found a large part of the coral reefs around the area are gone and sea life has virtually disappeared."
- "The island, known as one of the most beautiful spots in Thailand, will be off limits to all visitors starting in October due to "excessive tourism."
- Philippines President Rodrigo, citing piles of uncollected garbage just 20 metres from the beach and sewage flowing into the sea called Borocay island a "cesspool" and said it had become a disaster.



A huge amount of rubbish has been left behind by tourists who flocked to Koh Phi Phi to visit Maya Bay

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Paradise lost: hotels bury waste plastic in the sand to keep tourists happy













"At least 30 sperm whales have been found washed up on the beaches of the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, France, Denmark and Germany."



Sperm Whales Found Full of Car Parts and Plastics

The shocking discoveries add to a mysterious string of sperm whale strandings around the North Sea since the start of the year.



Speaking of Science

A dead sperm whale was found with 64 pounds of trash in its digestive system



Miami Herald



People pick up trash on Ecuador's Galápagos Islands. The world famous reserve is at the confluence of three sea currents that drag the world's garbage to its shores. Mariana Vera - Courtesy: Conservation International

AMERICAS

The Galápagos Islands are fighting a new invasive species: the world's trash

The New York Times

Wave After Wave of Garbage Hits the Dominican Republic

July 22, 2018



Wave of plastic hits Dominican Republic

This was the scene on a beach in the Dominican Republic after a storm on Thursday.



https://www.bbc.com/news/av/world-44914919/wave-of-plastic-hits-dominican-republic

Travel Industry Makes Strides With More Plastic Bans

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Shocking photo shows Caribbean Sea being 'choked to death by human waste'

Daily Telegraph UK By: Mark Molloy

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Slowly but steadily, the travel industry cuts its ties to disposable plastics



The travel industry relies heavily on plastic goods, a major pollutant, but many countries, cruise ships and hotels are beginning to tackle the issue by eliminating certain items and seeking out eco-friendly alternatives. (Fred Dufour/AFP/Getty Images)

How social tourism is redefining millennial wanderlust

How and why does social tourism appeal to our generation?

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THE GETAWAY

Sustainable Travel: It's Not Just About the Environment

A look at tours and programs that address the impact travelers have on the communities they visit.



Village Ways, which specializes in sustainable travel, includes a program with migratory shepherds in the Indian Himalayas. Village Ways

Travelers Seek More Authentic Experiences; Agents And Tour Operators Rise To The Challenge

by Richard D'Ambrosio / May 09, 2016





TOURISM

Eco-friendly tourism is becoming a movement, and more vacationers are buying into the concept

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 A trend is underway, where environmentally sustainable outcomes are emphasized over mere 'experience' vacationing. TRADITIONAL NONPROFIT



TRADITIONAL BUSINESS







Impact Report

Florida Keys May 10 + 11, 2018

@TourismCares #TC4SoFla #TCVolunteers















So, what now?

How you can stay invested

The Conch Republic Marine Army has another 9 million pounds of trash to remove from the waters off the keys. Get involved in another one of their weekend clean-ups!

Consider adding a give back option to your tour itineraries - our partners are looking for regular volunteers as locals are hard to find.

Make small changes in your business - like removing plastic straws and bottles from your office or on tour itineraries.

Donate your time pro-bono to our partners - they benefitted tremendously from your hard work but could benefit even further from your skill set and expertise. Want to help? Email jessica.ahern@tourismcares.org

Grimal Grove is part of a larger vision with Growing Hope Initiative who want to enhance environmental health, education, artistic development and community welfare. They need help! You can donate, learn more and get involved at growinghopeinitiative.org Benefits

Education -

Graduate Center



Welcome to the Good Travels Advisor program (GTA)! The first of its kind, this online training for travel agents responds to rising demand for responsible travel, especially among millennials, families and the affluent.

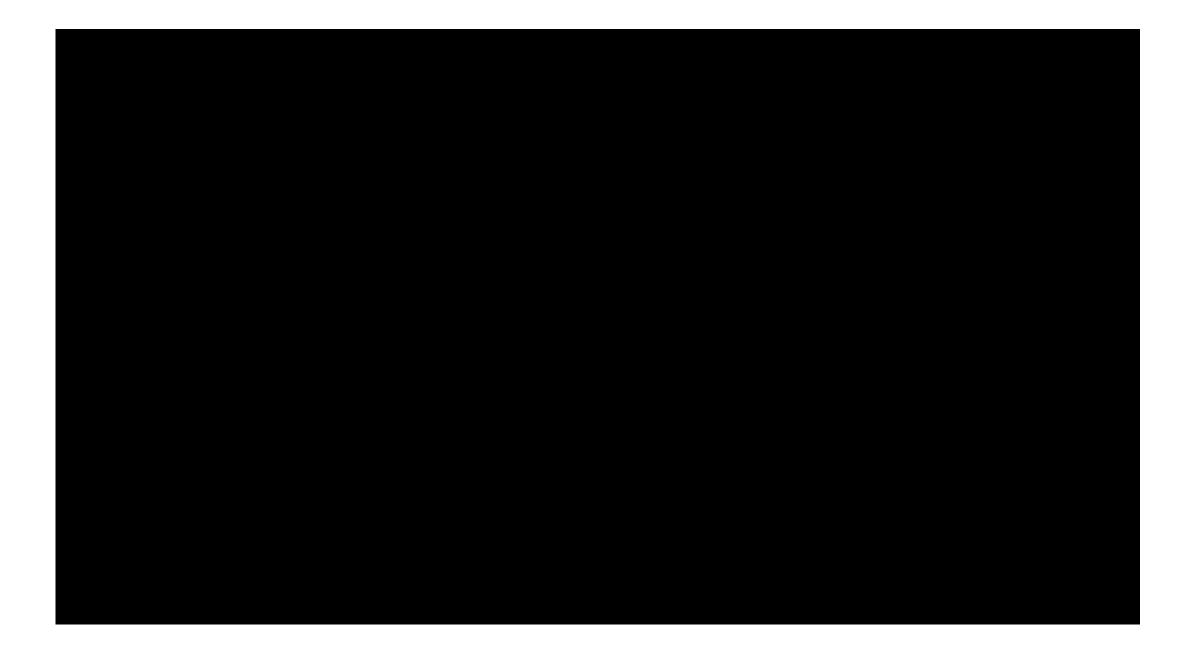
Meaningful Travel Provider Guide

A RESOURCE FOR THE GOOD TRAVELS ADVISORS COMMUNITY









Even the smallest actions can have a major impact if multiplied by one billion.

- Taleb Rifai, former Secretary-General of the United Nations' World Tourism Organization

RECORD TOURIST NUMBERS

MILLION VISITORS

2017 was a record year, close to matching
 2010's 7 million visitors

45%

• 45 percent in the number of visitors as well as tourism receipts in first half of 2018.

WHY RECORD TOURIST NUMBERS?

Featured in all big publications as place to be in 2018



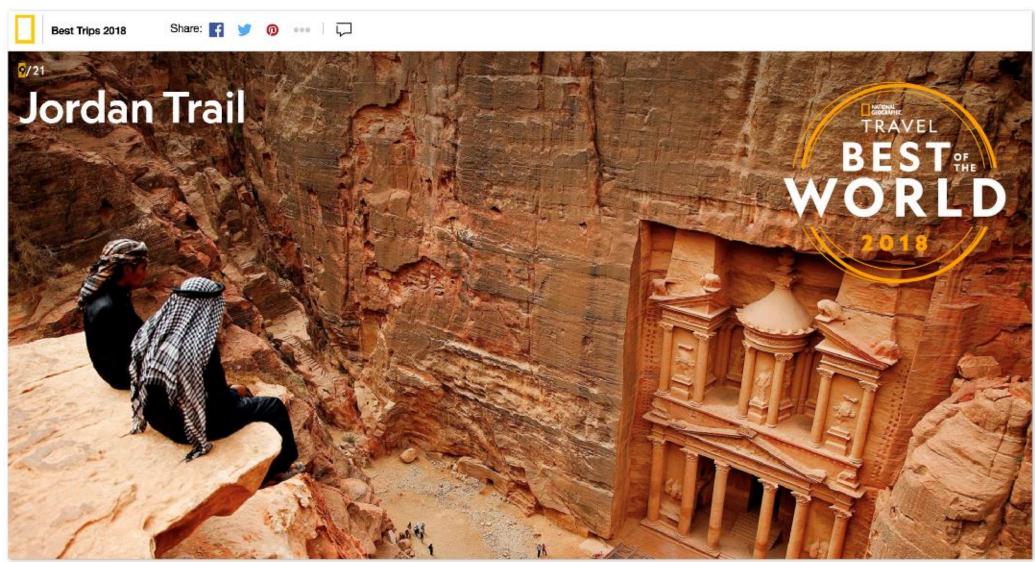




MORE AIR ACCESS

- Ryan Air opening up 15 new routes this year.
- King Hussein International Airport in Aqaba welcomed 200,000 passengers in 2017, marking a 27.1 per cent increase.
- New direct flight routes from Aqaba to different destinations including Brussels, Helsinki, Stockholm, Copenhagen, Cairo, and Dubai.







Celebrities including
Elon Musk, Will Smith, Ellie Goulding,
Andrea Boccelli

Wadi Rum popularity
New film destination in 2017 - Aladdin,
Star Wars

Visitation to the UNESCO World Heritage site jumped by 97 percent during 2017 compared to the previous year, and had almost reached 1 million visitors!

MEANINGFUL TRAVEL MAP OF JORDAN





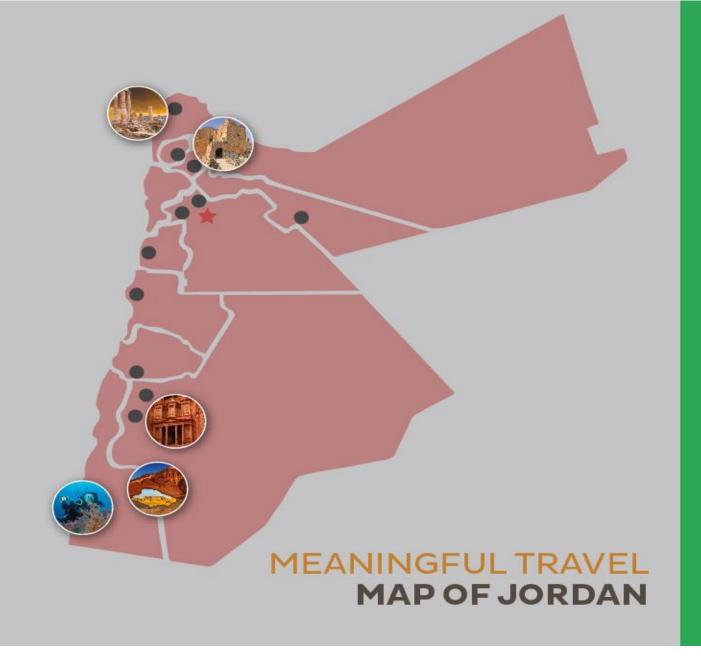
TRAVEL MAP OF JORDAN

• The map, officially launched feb 25th was released following 2017's
International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development and addresses two
overlapping trends for tourism today: demand from travelers for authentic,
sustainable experiences that make a difference, and the need to use the
power of travel to help people and places thrive.

• Delegation consisted of Tourism Cares members, Jordan Tourism Board team, 70 tour operators, travel agents, travel journalists, local and North American industry leaders, local dignitaries (including our very own Dr. Taleb Rifai, former Secretary-General of the UNWTO.

 Delegates participated in volunteer projects throughout the country while highlighting some of the emerging social enterprises along the way. Officially launched the first ever Meaningful Travel Map of Jordan showing 12 community enterprises that visitors can experience when they travel to the country.

 The purpose of this was to bring focus and attention to highlight the power of travel in supporting local communities and of course show off Jordan's touristic appeal and diversity. To help build on new programs and promote programs that help the disadvantaged population in Jordan.



Explore the map and add special meaning to your trip in Jordan

- Jordania Social Company
- 🛖 🛮 Amman, Capital City







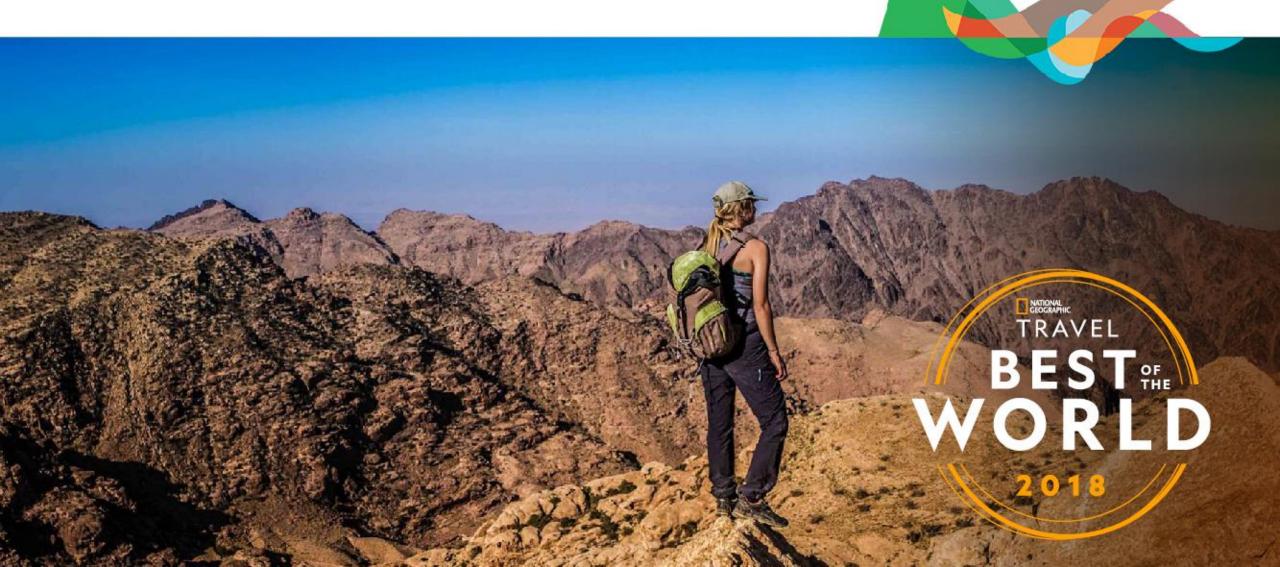




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JORDAN TRAIL





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The Jordan Trail is a continuous route crossing the entire county of Jordan, offering over 650 kilometers of trail and 36 days of beautiful hiking through diverse terrains and landscapes.

Explore the eight regions along the trail and start mapping out your own adventure.



• Trekkers can tackle the 36-day hike in one go or choose one of eight 50-mile-long sections.



- Um Qais (4 Days, 80 km)
 - 2 Ajloun (4 Days, 59.1 km)
- **Fuhais** (4 Days, 73.2 km)
- Three Wadis (4 Days, 75 km)
- 5 Karak (4 Days, 84.5 km)
- 6 Dana (4 Days, 72.6 km)
- 7 **Petra** (5 Days, 90.6 km)

8 Wadi Rum

Ped Sea 9 (6 Days, 112 km)

ITINERARIES

SAMPLE ITINERARIES CAN BE FOUND ON WEBSITE











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