

THE WESTFJORDS (ICELAND)

Surround yourself in Iceland's most dramatic landscapes, including jagged bird cliffs, broad multihued beaches, jaw-dropping coastal fjords, immense central mountains and tiny fishing villages embracing traditional ways of life.

ABISKO (SWEDEN)

A prime viewing spot for the Aurora Borealis, Abisko lies near the national park of the same name and is the start or endpoint for the spectacular 425km Kungsleden hiking trail.

INARI (FINLAND)

This tiny village is home to the wonderful Siida museum devoted to Sámi culture and environment, and a great base for hiking in the nearby Lemmenjoki National Park and Kevo Strict Nature Reserve.

DAUGAVPILS (LATVIA)

With a fairly well-preserved historical centre and a mighty fortress, Daugavpils has more recently been put on the tourist map by the new Rothko Centre devoted to contemporary art.

BREST (BELARUS)

This relatively prosperous and cosmopolitan border town has plenty of charm as well as the impressive 19th century Brest Fortress. Reconstruction has been rampant as Brest gears up for its millennial celebrations in 2019.

WESTERN ALGARVE (PORTUGAL)

If you like pristine sand and wild sea, this area offers some of Europe's most sublime beaches. Aljezur, Carrapateira and Odeixe are all small, pretty towns with cheap lodging and eating options.

GALICIA (SPAIN)

A Coruña has a lovely beach, fabulous seafood and is the gateway to the Costa da Morte and Rías Altas. Inland, Lugo is surrounded by some of the world's best preserved Roman walls.

CHIȘINĂU (MOLDOVA)

Use the lively capital of Chișinău as a base from which to explore this Central European country's fledgling wine-tourism industry, delightfully unspoiled countryside and authentic village hospitality.

ODESA (UKRAINE)

An energetic, decadent boomtown of pastel-coloured neoclassical buildings, famous for its Potemkin Steps sweeping down to the Black Sea and Ukraine's biggest commercial port.

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