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SPECIAL FEATURE: T+L'S GLOBAL SHOPPING GUIDE

# TRAVEL + LEISURE

## Swing into Spring

THE BEST PLACES TO GO  
THIS SEASON

*Relaxing at  
the Hamilton  
Princess &  
Beach Club in  
Bermuda.*

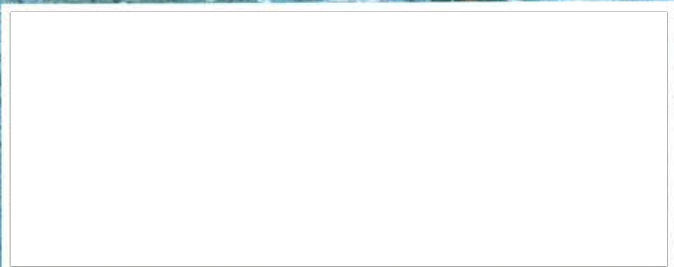


A PERFECT  
WEEKEND IN  
**BERMUDA**

THE WILD  
WONDERS OF  
**ECUADOR**

THE COOLEST  
CITY IN  
**GERMANY**

A FAMILY  
TRIP TO  
**MONTANA**







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## Gorilla trekking is taking off in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

With Rwandan permits now pricier than ever—an hour with gorillas will run you \$1,500—outfitters are doubling down on their offerings in the more affordable DRC. The population of mountain gorillas in Virunga National Park has quadrupled in recent decades, the result of increased security and environmental measures. **Deeper Africa** adds the Call of the Congo itinerary ([deeperafrica.com](http://deeperafrica.com); eight days from \$7,499) to the park beginning in July, with stays on an island in Lake Kivu and visits with a canine anti-poaching unit. Or book a custom itinerary with **Journeys by Design** ([journeysbydesign.com](http://journeysbydesign.com); prices on request) that includes excursions to the Nyiragongo Volcano's lava lake and the Senkwekwe Center gorilla orphanage. The 3,000-square-mile park is the continent's most biodiverse protected area, with ecosystems that range from savannas to active volcanoes, so between gorilla treks you can spot chimpanzees, okapi, and some of the 700-odd bird species that make the park their home. —*Jen Salerno*