

Q&A

# Famous flyer

Simple things make a big difference, says **Olivia Newton-John**.



Favourite area: Cape Byron Lighthouse, NSW.

**WHICH WAS YOUR BEST HOLIDAY?**

My best holidays are in the hinterland of Byron Bay – it's beautiful and relaxing. I also have dear friends in the area so not only is it a vacation, it's also a chance to relax and enjoy time with people who are very special to me.

**WHICH IS THE BEST HOTEL YOU'VE STAYED IN?**

I love the Lyall Hotel in Melbourne; it's so intimate that you really feel like you're at home. It's also in the neighbourhood very near to where my mum used to live, so I love taking long walks by her old home near the Botanic Gardens.

**WHAT DO YOU ALWAYS TAKE WITH YOU?**

A scarf, as it can serve so many purposes while travelling; if you get cool on the plane, it's easy to pull out of your bag as a quick wrap.

**WHAT DO YOU NEED FOR A PERFECT HOLIDAY?**

My husband John! I've been very fortunate to have been to so many places around the world, either while on tour or just travelling, but having loved ones with me is the most important part of a holiday.

**WHAT'S YOUR BEST PIECE OF TRAVEL ADVICE?**

Always take socks for walking through security. It's the simple things that often make the most difference.

**AND YOUR WORST EXPERIENCE ON HOLIDAY?**

When I was a young girl I was camping with my parents on holiday in Australia and a herd of cows walked through our tent, trampling everything except a can of soup, which ironically had a cow's face on it!

**WHAT IS THE BIGGEST PACKING MISTAKE YOU'VE MADE?**

Overpacking. I never know how many outfits to pack because sometimes events come up that I wasn't planning for, some that require cocktail dresses or even a gown. So, I always play the "better safe than sorry" card and bring everything.

**WHERE DO YOU WANT TO GO NEXT?**

For me home really is where my heart is. Whether it's my house in California or my farm in Australia, it's definitely where I want to be next.

Interview: Paul Ewart

*Olivia Newton-John will lead The Wellness Walk on Sunday, September 28, through the streets of Ivanhoe in Melbourne. The four-kilometre and eight-kilometre walks are open to all ages. All funds raised will support the Olivia Newton-John Cancer & Wellness Centre.*



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## THE QUIZ

1. What is renminbi?
2. Which country in the Middle East has the name of its first ruler as part of its name?
3. In which US city will you find The Wizarding World of Harry Potter and Epcot?
4. Located near the town of Hyden, in which Australian state will you find the 14-metre-tall, 110-metre-long Wave Rock?
5. How many countries currently have a Do Not Travel advisory on the Australian government's Smart Traveller website?
6. At an elevation of 2250 metres above sea level, what Central American city is sinking faster than Venice?
7. Which country's national motto "Ordem e progresso" (Order and progress) is inscribed on its flag?
8. In which country are you if you are in The Worm's Head Hotel overlooking Rhossili Bay eating Penclawdd cockles and laverbread?
9. What is a dhow?
10. The Great White Way and the Canyon of Heroes are sections of what Manhattan street?

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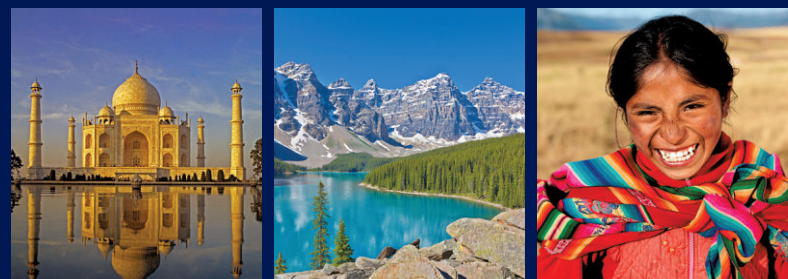
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