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Dear Colleague,

Happy April!

As spring officially approaches, the snow is melting for what feels like the 10th time here in Saskatchewan. Although, for anyone familiar with the weather here in the Canadian prairies, we could still experience winter conditions for another month (or two).

Want to know where it doesn't snow? Malta in the Mediterranean! Emerging Destinations is **pleased to welcome MI Malta (DMC) to our portfolio** of cool destinations and companies around the globe. Check out the blog below for more information!

And in case you missed it, **Emerging Destinations is working alongside the UCLA Capacity Building Center** to support the Women in Action Network (WIAN), which focuses on empowering women's groups in Northern Ghana's Shea butter industry. If you're interested in learning more, let me know.

Have a safe and wonderful April!

Warm regards,

Jenna, Paula, Ana & Jane

News at a Glance

Iceland ProTravel

• Iceland's ever increasing popularity as a tourist destination will result in challenges finding

- accommodation during high season. **We urge our clients to plan their vacation early** to be sure you acquire rooms in the hotels you want to stay in.
- The **volcanic activity in the area around the Blue Lagoon continues** and probably will for the foreseeing future. However no lives have been in any danger and damage to infrastructure has been minimal. Iceland is still one of the safest destinations in the world.

<u>**Iceland ProCruises**</u>

- Book now and take advantage of our <u>Balcony Special</u> that means you save up to 40% off our regular prices for our Balcony Cabins (Cabin Category 6).
- You can check out more of our 2024 Specials <u>here!</u>

MI Malta

- New Hotel opening at The Three Cities The IBB Hotel Palazzo Bettina Malta is a historic boutique hotel right in the heart of the Three Cities. Its unique environment is created by the thoroughly restored architectural details and the beautiful surrounding marina.
- Visit the Restored Malta Maritime Museum: A stroll along the beautiful Birgu waterfront is not quite complete without a visit to the Malta Maritime Museum, housed within the Old Naval Bakery and charting 7000 years of Malta's maritime history, from prehistory to the present day.

Upcoming Travel! Emerging Destinations On The Road

We will be in the following places over the next few months, and would love to see you! If we will be in your area, click on the link below to request an event invitation or schedule an appointment with us:

Monday, June 3: <u>New Jersey</u>
Wednesday, June 5: <u>Boston and Cambridge, MA</u>
Monday, June 10: <u>Washington, DC</u>

Mediterranean Mix: Malta and Sicily

Why visit one fabulous Mediterranean island or another when you can explore Malta and Sicily on the same trip thanks to a speedy 90-minute ferry connection.

MI Malta can make all your arrangements for daytrip from Valletta on the island of Malta to Pozzallo on the south coast of Sicily, or a multiday vacation that includes overnights in both cities. **Read More**



Reykjavik For Foodies



Witness the magnificent Icelandic landscape while tasting the delicious food and local produce on this Iceland "foodie" City Break with Iceland ProTravel.

Day one features a food walk and beer tasting through Reykjavik, the Icelandic capital city. Lasting around four hours, the tour includes two to three samples at six different restaurants.

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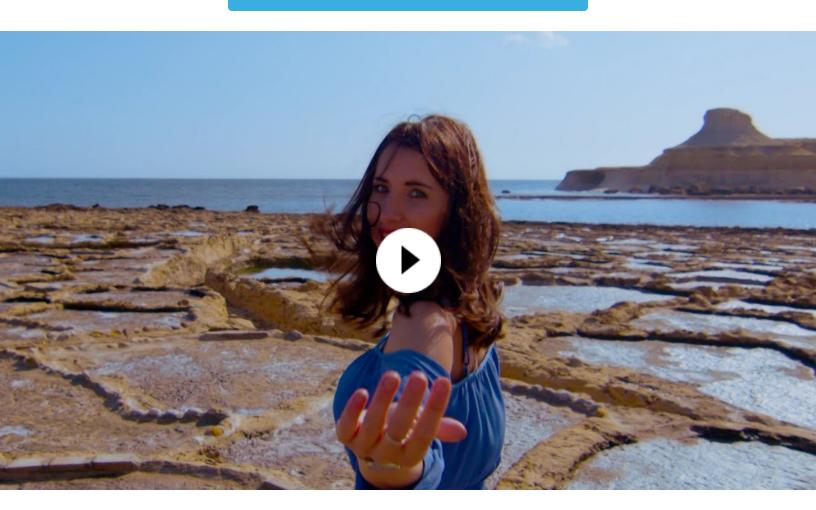
Minho: Did You Know Portugal Had a Place Like This?

Here's a travel quiz: What part of Portugal is celebrated for its lush green landscapes, renowned for Vinho Verde wine and *caldo verde* soup, has lots in common with the neighboring Galicia region of Spain, and traces its origins to Celtic tribes who ruled the area more than 2,000 years ago?

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Here's Why You Should Visit Malta!



Looking for new paradise islands to visit in the Mediterranean? Our video of the month shows why Malta should be your next stop!











































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