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From mountains to rivers to shores—our adrenaline-charged bucket list.

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THERE'S MORE THAN
ONE WAY TO REACH
THE INCA OUTPOST
OF MACHU PICCHU.



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Trek to Machu Picchu

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THE PLAY: A fresher way to do South America's best-known trekking route is to reach Machu Picchu via the lesser-known Inca outpost of Choquequirao. While nearly 1 million tourists take the new train from Cuzco to Machu Picchu each year, you'll spend a full 12 days with Amateo trekking in via the lesser-known Inca outpost of Choquequirao, attract far fewer visitors. Choquequirao is only accessible via a strenuous hike up to a high ridge overlooking the Urubamba River. You'll reach Choquequirao on the fourth evening of your trek, then spend the next two days exploring the ruins. That leaves an entire week to complete the traverse of the Inca trail to reach Machu Picchu. [amazon.com](#)

OR TRY: Casting or trolling for tuna and sailfish at Islas Secas, a retreat off the coast of Panama that encompasses no fewer than 16 private islands. [islassecas.com](#)



CAST FOR STEELHEAD VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

THE PLAY: Pair up a ski trip to Whistler with some of the finest winter steelhead fishing in North America. Insanely good fishing probably isn't the first thing that comes to mind when you conjure up a ski vacation at Whistler Blackcomb. But during the months of February and March—usually the snowiest—the biggest, most happening resort in North America is also serving up one of the continent's best steelhead runs. Join Whistler's Extremely Canadian backcountry steep-skiing clinic, then sign up with fly-fishing's first lady, April Vokey, and her outfitter Flygal Ventures. She and her guides will pick you up at your hotel in Whistler and make the half-hour trip up the Squamish River, where skulking steelhead crowd the icy pools. Flygal also leads trips to B.C.'s famed Fraser River and its tributaries. [whistlerblackcomb.com](#), [flygal.ca](#)

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