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R BURMAN

WHO: Photographer, 'Past perfect', page 300

"It's clichéd but it's got to be 'Stayin' Alive' by the Bee Gees."

VIKRAM PATHAK

WHO: Photographer, 'Orange crush', 334

"The Piano Man'. I love this track as it has the most astounding visual lyrics that I can relate to."



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GAYATRI RANGACHARI

WHO: Writer, 'New hues in the pink city',

the way of love. It's such a happy song.

"Ain't No Mountain High Enough' by Diana Ross.

l love its incredible message of nothing coming in

SUSANNA LAU

WHO: Writer, 'Playing to the crowd', page 172

"Kate Bush's
'Wuthering Heights'.
I think it might have been the first thing I ever heard from that era, and watching her dance was so entrancing for a child of five. For a while I thought everyone danced like that!"

SARAH KHAN

WHO: Writer, '48 hours in Johannesburg', page 372

"Chura Liya' from Yaadon Ki Baaraat (1973). It's such a haunting, timeless melody—as soon as I hear the distinctive clinking of glasses at the beginning, I'm transported."

JEROME CULTRERA

WHO: Hairstylist, 'Black magic', page 312

"Video Killed the Radio Star' by the Buggles. I love this song because it is related to my childhood. We were travelling quite a lot with my parents and we had this tape in the car and this song was on it. It always meant new adventures.

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10AM BOHEMIAN BRUNCH

Johannesburg is a massive, frenetic city. So, to give you the energy to take on the weekend, head to the Melville neighbourhood and brunch at Pablo Eggs-Go-Bar to fuel up. Get the Mervs, which has a fried egg served with boerewors sausage, biltong shavings and jalapeño mayo, or their shakshuka. The interiors are the stuff Instagram envy is made of.



JOHANNESBURG

Ready to shed its troubled past, South Africa's largest city is emerging as a cosmopolitan space with a thriving arts scene and excellent shopping options. SARAH KHAN shows you how to explore it like a Jozi local

NOON HISTORY LESSON

Before you go any further, you'll need to get your bearings on South Africa's complicated history. The Apartheid Museum is a brilliant landmark depicting the horrors of the apartheid era through pictures, news reports, video and art, and will offer insights into the challenges faced by the young country.

3PM ART ATTACK

From the past, head straight to the future with a look at South Africa's cutting-edge arts scene. The Keyes Art Mile in Rosebank is a trendy complex brimming with boutiques and galleries. Browse contemporary works by the country's rising stars at Circa, Everard Read, SMAC or Whatiftheworld, and treat yourself to a funky leather handbag (or five) at the colourful accessories emporium, Missibaba.



7PM CULINARY CREATIVITY

At Urbanologi, hip Jozi natives congregate to graze on creative Asian-inspired small plates paired with beers by Mad Giant, an adjoining craft brewery. Try their coal-fired pineapple or the doenjang-glazed beef cheek and end things off with a banana-barley malt ice cream. You can also head to the Good Luck Bar in the same complex for live music.





10AM MARKET VALUES

Johannesburg's inner city has come a long way in the last decade,

Braamfontein lures locals and visitors alike to try a global array of

foods and shop fashion and accessories from burgeoning designers.

and a lot of that comes from pioneers like Neighbourgoods

Market. This weekly fair in a converted parking garage in

8PM FINE-DINE

South Africa's superstar chef Luke Dale-Roberts delighted Joburg foodies when he opened an outpost at the Saxon last year; his creative tasting menus at Cape Town's Test Kitchen have landed him high on the world's top 50 restaurants list, and he plies a similar concept out of a teal-toned dining room at the hotel.

5PM TEA TIME

At the Saxon, Johannesburg's poshest hotel, tuck into sandwiches, macarons, scones and éclairs—all washed down with teas. Keep your eyes peeled for celeb sightings: the baxon is where Joburg's movers and shakers come to play, and some international superstars, too (Oprah Winfrey and Will Smith are fans of the hotel). But if you'd rather start your evening off with something stronger, head to the Four Seasons Hotel The Westcliff for a sundowner with a view—it has a stunning vantage point overlooking Johannesburg's verdant urban forest.



1PM STREET SCENES

Book a walking tour with Past Experiences to explore the vibrant Central Business District (CBD) with passionate local quides. Whether your interests lie in history, street art or shopping, you'll be able to find a tour that works for you. There's even a gastronomical tour of Fordsburg, the city's historic Indian area, where a visit to the weekly Saturday afternoon market is a must.

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LIKE A LOCAL

Four Joburg natives share their favourite hideouts

Zakiyya Bham, Blogger, social media influencer Visit Marble for their tuna ceviche, risotto and fired shellfish. The Big Mouth serves the @ @zakiyyax most Instagrammable sushi on a marble backdrop. Also visit Maxhosa by Laduma, a

fashion boutique that pays homage to South African culture utilising mohair and wool (even Beyoncé gave them a shout-out).

Shashi Naidoo, Actor, model, entrepreneur Three markets that

are really cool are

Neiahbouraoods in @ @shashinaidoo Braamfontein, Arts on Main in the Maboneng Precinct, and Johannesburg Market in Fourways. This is where you'll find all the artsy crowd. For gallery hopping, visit Circa, Everard Read and Goodman Gallery.

Faaiza Omar, Cofounder of The Stylish Baker When I'm not baking, I often brunch at



@faaiza_omar

Tasha's Hyde Parktheir gruyère omelette is delectable. Also try the walnut bread, one of my favourites. Add a stop at Milk Bar, a quirky African retro-style café.

Zakeeya Patel, Actor, presenter, producer Chaf Pozi in Soweto

is the perfect place for meat eaters to get stuffed! Here

Áfrican sisha nyama or braaing (barbecuing) at its finest. Test cricket and beer in the sun at Wanderers Cricket Stadium is always a winner.



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