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Vilnius, Lithuania

Cobbled alleys, baroque architecture and cafés crammed with fluffy kittens combine to make Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania, our alternative city break destination this week. Here's where to join the feline-loving bohos on your visit.



PLAY

Cat Café, Vilnius 01111

What's more heartwarming than a nice, warm cup of coffee on a cold, drizzly winter's day? Well, being surrounded by lots and lots of cats is a good start. That's the main draw of Cat Café (in addition to the lovely coffee). Sit, relax and stroke a kitty while you enjoy a hot beverage or two. But the rules are strict. Do not pull the cats' tails, or shout at the cats, or use flash photography. To be honest, you should know all this already.



I beg your pardon...

Ever wondered what Nelson's Column would say if it could talk? Us neither. Until we went to Vilnius, where almost all of the statues are interactive. If you have a smart phone, you



can use the QR code at the foot of the statue to interact with many of the city's historical figures. Better yet, they talk in silly voices, making the whole thing even more fun. Voices include Frank Zappa, Romain Gary and perhaps most impressive of all, the Grand Duke of Lithuania. Don't talk back to that one.

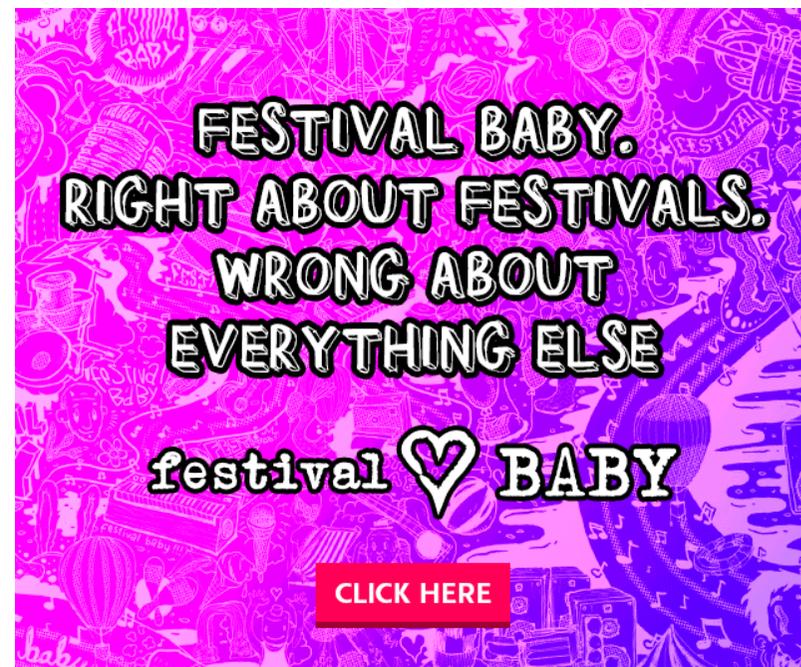


Piece of Užupis

Užupis is more than just a district, it's a self-proclaimed republic within the City of Vilnius. A haven of artists, bohemians and general free thinkers, the area is full of bars and cafés, and during the summer many a free spirit can be seen sitting by the river, drinking beer, enjoying the art and generally having a swell time. Make sure to check out the Constitution of Užupis. Rules include: 'Everyone has the right to have no rights' and 'A dog has the right to be a dog.' Trippy.



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WEIRD WORLD

Chongqing, China



Going to the loo is a better experience when you share it with 999 other people. Fact. Well, that's the case on Foreigners Street in China at least, where locals are flush with pride... That's because it's the location of the world's largest bathroom – that's a four-story, 33,000 square foot space complete with 1,000 loos that you can enjoy while listening to relaxing music. The urinals come in a range of different designs – with shapes taking inspiration from the Virgin Mary, crocodile mouths and the irresistible curves of the female backside. The colossal space has been created to lure tourists, and according to officials on the ground, if you go you'll be "very, very happy".



Relieving yourself has never felt, or looked, so good. Maybe.



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These new kicks from



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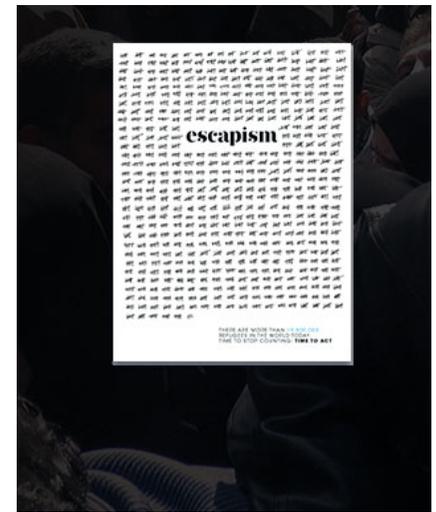
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