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JEAN-FRANÇOIS ROBERT

In order to make his portraits of stars as beautiful as possible, the photographer first asks them to pose like one of the three wise monkeys: hiding their eyes, mouth, or ears.

› **FUCKING GOOD QUESTION**

FUCKING GOOD QUESTION

"Fucking good question!" exclaims Johnny Depp upon discovering this choice. And so it begins: thanks to this preliminary snapshot, Jean-François creates a climate of confidence between the photographer and his model, a bond that changes everything about the shooting session to come. The results of this brilliant idea are portraits of a rare authenticity, praised since the 1990's until today. Elle, M le Magazine (le Monde), Télérama, Libération, Les Inrockuptibles, GQ, Madame Figaro, Marie Claire... In the margins of each image, Jean-François Robert discreetly invites us to his side, and shares moments of grace experienced during his photo sessions.

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NICOLAS CRUNCHANT

A journey through the Alps to understand the effects of global warming.

› **J'AI ÉCOUTÉ LES ALPES**

I LISTENED TO THE ALPS

Global warming causes mountain temperatures to rise twice as fast. And it is more than just a question of thermometers. It's not just about melting glaciers. Cracks are forming in mountain peaks. Rocks are beginning to break off. Landslides are becoming increasingly frequent. Entire rock faces are crumbling. Mountaineering routes are turning into labyrinths. Water is becoming scarce. Ecosystems are disrupted. Seen from below, this apocalypse is soundless. But collapsology scientists have but to take a cable car to validate their theories. The rise in sea level may still be years away, but our peace of mind is silently turning to dust.

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**ARNAUD GOUMAND
OPHÉLIE CHAVAROCHÉ**

Around the world in 80 perils.

› DANGERS INVISIBLES OU IMPRÉVISIBLES

INVISIBLE OR UNFORESEEABLE DANGERS

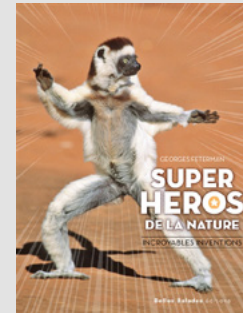
The places listed in this book are dangerous, even forbidden. What is this "Death Valley" located in Eastern Siberia? Does the world's shortest airport runway meet safety standards? Why is the famous Pan-American Highway unpaved between Panama and Colombia? Who created the Poison Garden? What is the Red Sea's Blue Hole? Here is a trip around the world in 80 perils, illustrated with exceptional photographs and maps. It's enough to make you shiver on your sofa.

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GEORGES FETERMAN

*They exist and are fighting
to save their species!*

› SUPER HÉROS DE LA NATURE

NATURE'S SUPERHEROES

They are invincible, indefatigable, seductive, resilient, or seem to come from another world... Superheroes are everywhere, and fight to carve out a place for themselves in the circle of life. From flying snake to gifted mushroom, from killer toad to immortal jellyfish, nearly 100 different species are presented in this striking showcase. Their exploits, their genius, their extraordinary abilities make them the superheroes of our planet. Exceptional photographs, documented texts, and biodiversity are passionately revealed by the author, a specialist in natural sciences. A book that proves that nature has been producing superheroes for millennia.

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GEORGES FETERMAN

The book that proves nature has been inventing superpowers for millenia.

› SUPER POUVOIRS DE LA NATURE

NATURE'S SUPERPOWERS

Turning invisible, moving at blinding speed, seeing in the dark, flying without wings, being immortal, being irresistible... On the other side of the planet, and before our own front door, breathtaking inventions of flora and fauna are everywhere: flying squirrels, walking trees, creatures of the fathomless depths, superglue ivy, springing hawks, mimetic insects... Nearly 100 superheroes are presented here in this striking display. Exceptional photographs, naturalistic documents, and the treasures of biodiversity are passionately revealed by the author, a specialist of natural sciences.

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ARNAUD GOUMAND

Exploring abandoned places is a real adventure.

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Enter forgotten worlds where time stands still. In every country, deserted, abandoned places still echo with life that suddenly appears on every page. Castles, orphanages, amusement parks, factories, train stations... The remarkable legacy of these beautiful sites is revealed in their entirety, thanks to exceptional photographs, maps, and ancient documents.

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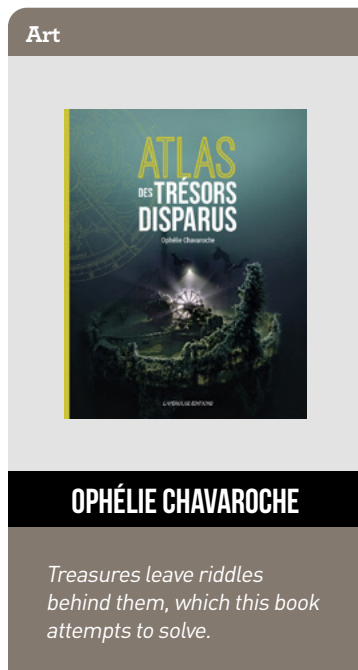
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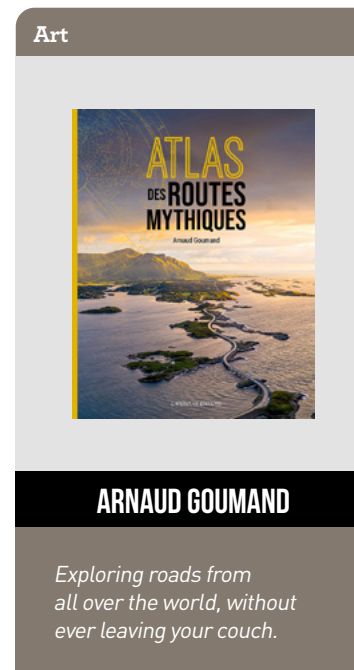
THE ATLAS OF LOST TREASURES

We will never find the Holy Grail or El Dorado. However, we may discover the stolen Van Gogh in a Dutch museum during the Coronavirus epidemic! A lesser-known work, the 15th-century Chinese encyclopedia that was the most extensive source of information until the advent of Wikipedia, was mostly destroyed during a fire in 1900. Equally unexpected is a submerged cypress forest in Alabama, which could very well hold the key to an invaluable pharmacological treasure. Confronted by the disappearance of biodiversity, an island in the northern regions of Norway shelters the underground World Seed Reserve. Indeed, some treasures may miraculously resurface, like the codices of Leonardo da Vinci, victims for over 300 years of a filing error at the National Library of Madrid.

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› ATLAS DES ROUTES MYTHIQUES

THE ATLAS OF MYTHICAL ROADS

Route 66 in the United States has become an icon. The Silk Roads tell stories of commerce. Globe-spanning tours and maritime expeditions have opened up unknown waterways. Unusual highways encourage road-trips all over the planet. And some, described as "panoramic," cut through breathtakingly beautiful landscapes.

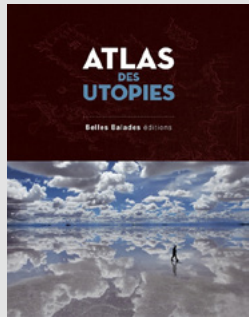
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**OPHÉLIE CHAVAROCHE
JEAN-MICHEL BILLOUD**

*Impossible? Good! Pursuing
the unattainable is what
makes humanity progress.*

› ATLAS DES UTOPIES

THE ATLAS OF UTOPIAS

"A map of the world that does not include Utopia is not worth even glancing at," wrote Oscar Wilde. So why not turn it into an atlas? In this book where anything is possible, Gross Natural Happiness is instituted, we work two hours per day, we reinvent life, we kill death. By crossing the limits of imagination, this book, illustrated with photos, plans, and ancient maps, transforms Utopia into a source of inspiration, a 256-page waking dream.

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