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## 52 Places to Go in 2016

It's a big world out there, so we've narrowed it down for you. From ancient temples to crystalline waters, here are our top destinations to visit this year.

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### Sydney Australia

Embracing nature in two urban reclamation projects.



Home to beaches and national parks, Sydney is a city outdoor lovers can embrace. Expanding that appeal, two new developments have turned industrial plots into beauty spots. Opened in September, the new [Barangaroo Reserve](#) reclaimed 14 acres once piled with shipping containers on the harbor. Inspired by the precolonial landscape, the newly contoured headland edged in sandstone features a shoreside promenade and, temporarily, the Copenhagen restaurant Noma, which will take up residency this month for 10 weeks. The [Goods Line](#), a new elevated walkway, opened in August, repurposing a defunct train line. More reclamation: the new [Old Clare Hotel](#) joining a 19th-century pub and brewery offices. More convenience: American Airlines introduced daily Sydney to Los Angeles flights in December.

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