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## Book of the week

Unforgettable Things to do Before you Die, by Steve Watkins and Clare Jones

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**T**his book does exactly what it says on the tin: it is packed with gorgeous images of places that you really, really want to visit - and makes you slightly hate the authors for having been able to do all these things. But it is absolutely not an exercise in one-upmanship, because each entry, be it on taking a river journey to Angel Falls in Venezuela or diving for pearls in Tahiti, includes a short descriptive inspirational blurb about the place, backed up by useful factoids about how to get there. And since more of us are eschewing beach holidays and choosing trips with a life-changing experience built in, it can almost be seen as a tick-list for the get-up-and-go crowd. My one criticism is that the photographs are wasted in this small, soft-back format. This book should be coffee-table big.

Unforgettable Things to Do Before you Die, by Steve Watkins and Clare Jones is published by BBC Books. To order a copy for £18.04 with free UK postage and packing, call the Observer Books Service on 0870 836 0885 or go to [www.observer.co.uk/bookshop](http://www.observer.co.uk/bookshop)

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