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Hello. You're on this e-mail list because you requested to be on it or some mysterious Internet entity added you to it.

As always, if you prefer not to receive our newsletter (or if you receive duplicates) just let us know. Please type the term "NOV97" in your reply.

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The holiday season is almost upon us, with only six weeks to Christmas. We'd like to remind everyone that travel gear makes excellent gifts. We've put together page of unique stocking stuffers at:

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/stuff.htm>

Also, in what has almost become an Internet tradition we invite you to take an interactive Walkabout to the real St. Nick's homeland. The journey ends with a look at the Jolly Old Elf's bones.

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/walkab.htm>

NEW PRODUCTS, ETC ++++++

PentaPure Sport Water Purification System

For those travelling to areas where a water purifier is recommended, but don't feel it necessary to purchase a full-blown system, we now stock a simple, inexpensive, yet highly effective solution. The PentaPure Sport is a "squeeze and sip" water bottle which removes viruses, bacteria, protozoa and other nastiness from the water. Price: \$34.00. See it at:

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/penta.htm>

INFORMATION PRETENDING TO BE USEFUL BUT ACTUALLY PROPAGANDA ++++++

Global Priority Mail is now available for selected cities in Mexico (Mexico City, Guadalajara, and Monterrey) and Israel (Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, and Haifa) in addition to many other countries. Global Priority is an extremely quick method of international shipping, with prices ranging from \$5.00 to \$10.00, with a usual delivery time of just a few days. For more details, visit our shipping page at:

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/shipping.htm>

TRAVEL TIP ++++++

Don't take your mace/hot pepper sprays overseas. They are not allowed on airplanes as they are considered a weapon and could get you detained. (Not a good way to start your trip.) Also, they are illegal in some countries.

See all the other travel tips at:

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/tips.htm>

INTERNET RECOMMENDATION ++++++

The best travel site on the web has gotten even better; Lonely Planet has upgraded their site. Largely responsible for the rise of budget travel, Lonely Planet is still the king. Their guidebooks are the Bible of independent travellers.

<http://www.lonelyplanet.com>

WALKABOUT TRAVEL RECOMMENDATION ++++++

CHRISTMAS ISLAND

There are actually two Christmas Islands; one by Indonesia on the Indian Ocean side, and one about three hours south of Hawaii via airplane. We're concentrating on the latter.

Christmas Island (Kiritimati Island) is part of the Republic of Kiribati, previously known as the Gilbert Islands. Independent was gained from

the British in 1979. There is not much on Christmas Island to remind a visitor of the Arctic tradition of the holiday; the name's origin is a result of Captain James Cook "discovered" the island on Christmas Eve, 1777. The island is in fact a tropical paradise, and is the largest coral atoll on the planet. The island is largely unspoiled and untouched by modern tourism, although like all undiscovered places will continue to see increasing visitors because of people like us who discover them then promote them. The island is already popular with fishermen, as bonefish fishing is reported to be the best in the world.

Be prepared for sun and water. Recommended gear: Sunscreen. A hat. A PackTowl for the beach. For snorkeling and diving, a Solo Headlamp (waterproof to 2,000 feet) and a SealPak to keep valuables dry and safe while in the water. These items can be found at:

PackTowl:
<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/care.htm>

SealPak, Solo Headlamp:
<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/misc.htm>

For more information:

<http://www.escapeartist.com/kiribati.htm>
<http://www.earth.tohoku.ac.jp.xmas.html>
<http://www.netilus.com/netilus/XmasIsle/ChrCulture.html>

OTHER STUFF ++++++

As always, explore the world now.

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