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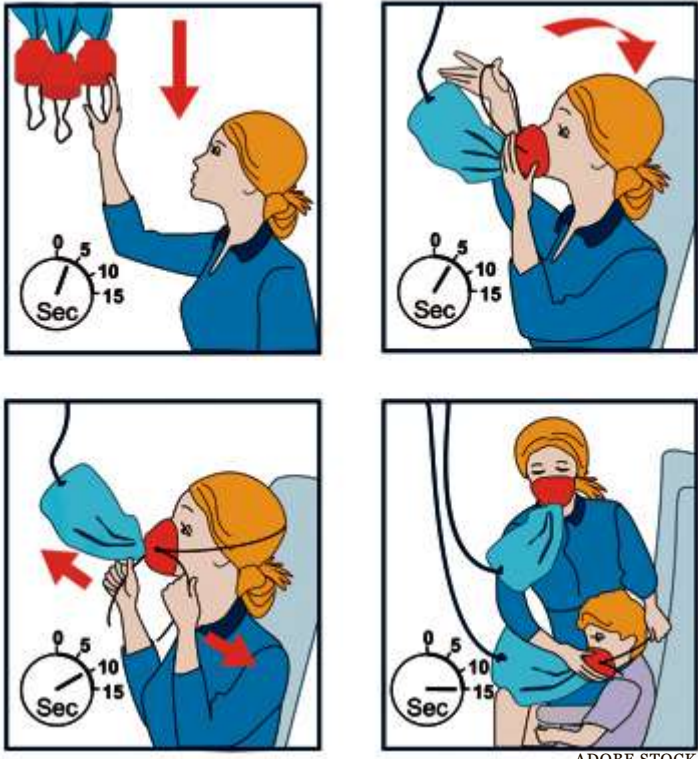
TIPS FOR TOURING HERE AND ABROAD



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Paying attention to flight attendants might save your life. It's a simple message, but passengers often ignore or passively watch along as safety instructions are given prior to takeoff. Images from the recent emergency landing of a Southwest Airlines flight, which lost cabin pressure above 30,000 feet, show several passengers improperly placing oxygen masks on their faces, putting their lives at risk. For the record, here's the proper way to secure the mask: ■ They will drop from a panel above you. You should pull them toward your face to extend the cord as needed. ■ Place the mask over both your nose and mouth. ■ With your free hand, pull the elastic string over your head and tighten as needed. ■ Adults should always secure their masks first before assisting children. You'll be of no use if you pass out from oxygen deprivation. On the Southwest flight, several passengers were only covering their mouths. That means they weren't getting the maximum flow of oxygen available to them.

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Put the mask over BOTH your nose and mouth.

HERE

JFK EXHIBIT OPENS ON THE CAPE See intimate behind-the-scenes photos of John F. Kennedy and his family, taken by Kennedy's personal photographer, during a new exhibit that opens at the JFK Hyannis Museum May 21, called "Creating Camelot: The Kennedy Photography of Jacques Lowe." Lowe's iconic images helped create the legend of the Kennedy presidency, which became known as Camelot. The exhibit, which runs through Dec. 1, features 70 images. The original negatives of nearly all of the photos on display were lost in the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks: Lowe stored more than 40,000 Kennedy photos in a World Trade Center bank vault, which was destroyed. The interactive Newseum in Washington, D.C., spent more than 600 hours restoring the images. An exhibit commemorating Robert F. Kennedy opens July 2, marking the 50th anniversary of his death. Admission: free for members and children 5 and under, up to \$12 for adults. 508-790-3077, www.jfkhyannismuseum.org.

TOURS AND TASTINGS IN NEW CULINARY CENTER Visit Woodstock Inn and Resort and enjoy a class, event, or dining experience offered at the property's new Red Barns culinary center. The state-of-the-art facility, housed in rustic barns, includes a kitchen studio with a six-burner stove and elements made from bowling alley lanes, ethically harvested trees, and salvaged light fixtures. Here, learn about floral arranging, growing herbs, or edible flowers dur-



ing the Summer Garden Series, which runs Saturday mornings from May 19 until the end of September. The Garden Tour and Tasting Series features a tour of the certified organic garden followed by a culinary demonstration showcasing asparagus, mushrooms, or berries (two hours, Saturdays at 10 a.m.; \$45 per person). During the Red Barns Dinner Series in July and August, enjoy a three-course community-style dinner that includes delights from the gardens paired with items from local Vermont cheese-makers, farmers, bee keepers, and dairy workers (5-8 p.m., \$55 per person). 888-338-2745, www.woodstockinn.com.

THERE

O'KEEFFE'S IMAGES OF HAWAII See stunning works created by Georgia O'Keeffe during the artist's trip to the Hawaiian Islands in 1939. The New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) hosts "Georgia O'Keeffe: Visions of Ha-



wai'i," a major exhibition that runs from May 19 to Oct. 28 this year and features more than 15 of the artist's paintings, which she created during a nine-week trip commissioned by the Hawaiian Pineapple Company. These works come from private and museum collections, and were last seen together in New York in 1940. The botanical garden will also hold a flower show in the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory that highlights the types of gardens and landscapes that inspired O'Keeffe, and



conveys the complex story of Hawaii's unique flora and ecology. Learn about the importance of plants in Hawaiian culture and threats to native Hawaiian plants. The Aloha Nights, which run during the exhibition, celebrate Hawaii's cultural traditions and include live music, performances of hula and chant, and artisan demonstrations of lei and poi making. Admission: \$23-\$28 for All-Garden Pass; \$38 Aloha Nights. 718-817-8700, www.nybg.org/event/georgia-okeeffe-visions-hawaii.

STAY ON A PRIVATE ISLAND Sleep in a hand-crafted yurt with a clear skylight for stargazing and have adventures by day during your stay on a private island on Nova Scotia's South Shore. The island, just off the coast of Blue Rocks fishing village near Lunenburg, welcomes up to two travelers at a time on this quiet and secluded spot. Pleasant Paddling's Private Island Yurt for Two adventure includes a guided kayaking outing to a seal colony and hidden inlets for snorkeling, bike rentals, and a picnic lunch, and an overnight stay. The excursion also includes a locally sourced dinner of mussels and charcuterie, and breakfast. Rates approximately \$476 single occupancy, \$714 double occupancy. Book for June 25, July 16, Aug. 27, and Sept. 17. 902-541-9233, www.pleasantpaddling.com/yourisland.



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