

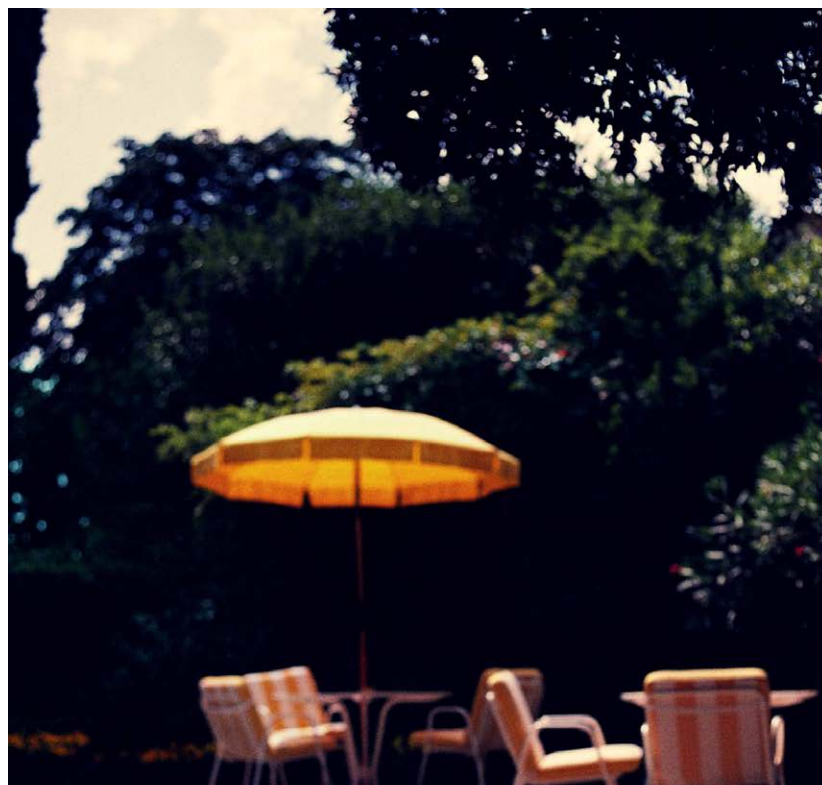


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Italian Road Trip: Amalfi, Liguria & Lake Como

Join photographic travel website The Tourist on a journey

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When Australian photographer Tabitha Karp relocated to Istanbul, she decided to create *The Tourist*, a photographic travel website she describes as “a collision between the travel stories and the pieces we travel with.” Before her move, Tabitha was a photographer for Louis Vuitton and worked on food markets at the weekends; readers can expect similar high-low combos on [her site](#).



The Tourist is a rolodex of travel addresses by Tabitha and other women at the vanguard of art, design and fashion, including DJ/model Inès Méliá, *Girlboss* event producer Claire-Marie Rutledge and filmmaker Zoë Le Ber. They tell you where to go if you're in Beirut, Costa Rica, Haifa or Guadeloupe.

The Amalfi, Liguria and Lake Como photostories featured here document a road trip Tabitha and her family took one summer before creating *The Tourist*, "This was a long road trip to take with my mother, sister, her boyfriend, and my then-boyfriend. Imagine everyone meeting each other for the first time...it was something like out of Gerald Durrell's *My Family & Other Animals*."

She then stayed in the Residence La Limonera for a few nights in Bellagio before moving onto Villa Le Barone in Tuscany (owned by Duchess Franca Visconti's heirs), ending up on the Ligurian coast in Corniglia at CECIO Ristorante Camere. "My Italian friend at the time had told me it is the most relaxed Ligurian town, and high up enough to keep out most of the tourists...he was right. The nights were dominated by local villagers taking their summer holidays there, wandering the streets talking, eating ice-cream."

Based on her own travels in Turkey, Tabitha accompanies *The Tourist* with a small collection of womenswear made by the artisans she's met along the way. Each tailored, unique piece is made to be travelled with, and so far includes a patent leather leather trench and suede ankle boots. The upcoming *aero* jacket rivals any Acne aviator, and is much more reasonably priced too.