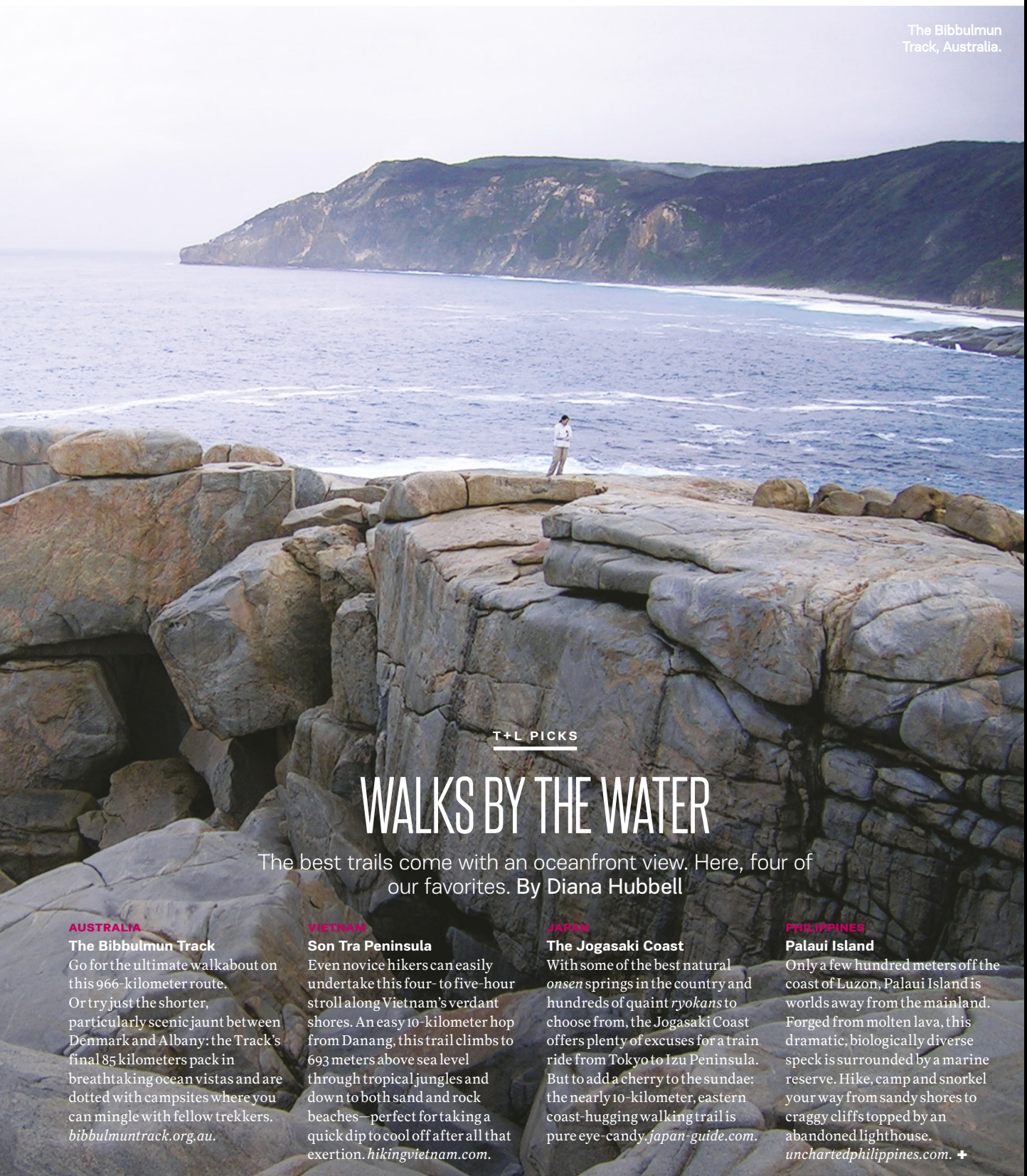


The Bibbulmun Track, Australia.



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WALKS BY THE WATER

The best trails come with an oceanfront view. Here, four of our favorites. By Diana Hubbell

AUSTRALIA

The Bibbulmun Track
Go for the ultimate walkabout on this 966-kilometer route. Or try just the shorter, particularly scenic jaunt between Denmark and Albany: the Track's final 85 kilometers pack in breathtaking ocean vistas and are dotted with campsites where you can mingle with fellow trekkers. bibbulmuntrack.org.au.

VIETNAM

Son Tra Peninsula
Even novice hikers can easily undertake this four- to five-hour stroll along Vietnam's verdant shores. An easy 10-kilometer hop from Danang, this trail climbs to 693 meters above sea level through tropical jungles and down to both sand and rock beaches—perfect for taking a quick dip to cool off after all that exertion. hikingvietnam.com.

JAPAN

The Jogasaki Coast
With some of the best natural *onsen* springs in the country and hundreds of quaint *ryokans* to choose from, the Jogasaki Coast offers plenty of excuses for a train ride from Tokyo to Izu Peninsula. But to add a cherry to the sundae: the nearly 10-kilometer, eastern coast-hugging walking trail is pure eye-candy. japan-guide.com.

PHILIPPINES

Palau Island
Only a few hundred meters off the coast of Luzon, Palau Island is worlds away from the mainland. Forged from molten lava, this dramatic, biologically diverse speck is surrounded by a marine reserve. Hike, camp and snorkel your way from sandy shores to craggy cliffs topped by an abandoned lighthouse. unchartedphilippines.com. +