Virtual TOURIST and TRAVEL INFO part 1

Economics - exchange rates, economic info gopher to: una.hh.lib.umich.edu in the --> /ebb directory http://gopher.econ.lsa.umich.edu

All sorts of world-wide exchange rates and economic news.

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The Money Abroad FAQ http://www.inria.fr/robotvis/personnel/laveau

A good place to come for general and specific info on foreign currency exchange rates as well as the use of credit cards and acceptance world-wide

Currency Converter (David Koblas's Web Page) http://www.ora.com/cgi-bin/ora/currency

From Yen to Lira to British pounds to US dollars, even if your travels are strictly virtual this page is not only informative - it's fun!

Louvre Web page http://mistral.enst.fr/~pioch/louvre/ http://mistral.enst.fr/louvre/

Entrance to the Web Louvre. A virtual trip to Paris and beyond. Includes exhibits at the Louvre as well as a tour of Paris, the Eiffel Tower and the Champs-Elysees. There's over 1,300 pages and over 800 graphics. Tres bien!

Paris. France WWW

http://meteora.ucsd.edu:80/~norman/paris

a Web voyage through gay Paree - well done!

Paris home page http://web.urec.fr/france/france.html

Vive la France!

French Embassy Gopher Gopher to: iep.univ-lyon2.fr select --> "l'ambassade de france"

Most of the material here is in English and even the material that is not is so punctuated with pictures and photos it is unlikely that you'll find yourself getting lost here. There are tourism itineraries that give the traveller informatin and advice on travelling to the various provinces and areas of France along with climate and weather info and info on shopping.

The site basically "catalogs" the different areas and points of interest which may or may not be to your liking but seems to be well organized.

Travel and Tourist information Web site http://www.digimark.net/rec-travel

Everything you want to know about all parts of the world that you may want to travel to. Even virtual web travellers will find this a useful tool. Includes the CIA World Fact Book online and the U.S. State Dept travel advisories. Don't leave home without this web page! **** Excellent ****

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Traveller's Checklist WWW page http://www.ag.com/travelers/checklist

A complete checklist of info for the world traveller. Includes info on different voltages and electrical needs for the tourist and many times says the best thing is to just bring battery operated items with you and a small supply of batteries to get out of worrying about whether that razor or whatever else you have will work or not. Travel safety tips and advisories are also here and this site is a good place to virtually travel to before you actually get to where you're going.

City.Net http://www.city.net

Information on cities around the globe. Includes many links to cities which have their own informative web pages. Graphics abound - see the Opera House in Sydney, Australia or visit the Camino del Sol page in Ecuador. Virtual travel at its finest. Links to places you never heard of - link and launch your way around the world. No suitcase needed!

Images of Sydney Home Page (Australia) http://www.bio.uts.edu.au/sydney/sydney.html

Images from the "Land Down Under". Includes pictures of the great Sydney Opera House and local sights. A virtual tour of Sydney, Australia.

Sistine Chapel Web site http://www.christusrex.org/

Beautiful home page that has over 160 images of one of the world's art treasures - the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. No tourists to get in your way and no Italian taxis to run you over!

Camino del Soul web page (Ecuador) http://gopher.usfq.edu.ec/0c:/ecuador/guia.html

A well done virtual visit to Ecuador. The entire page is in Portuguese.

Pub-guide Web page (Cambridge, England)

http://www.cityscape.co.uk:81/bar/pubguide.html

A jaunty and lively trip through Cambridge's pubs and ale houses. You'll be pouring a pint or two before your done. The page is a volunteer effort and keeps getting better and better. Now if they'd just put down their flagons a while longer and keep the Guiness cold then... nah....

Johannesburg's Active Access network Johann Visagie's home page http://www.active.co.za

Great travel links and neat "nooks and crannies" to surf to. Well done!

Redwood Country Unlimited http://www.northcoast.com/unlimited/unlimited.html

A virtual guide to Northern California's coast. Relaxed and easy going. Stop by the Eureka Inn and see the Tudor exhibit. Many other places to go should keep you travelling until dawn. Throw your TV set away!

Northern California Bed and Breakfast http://www.baynet.com/bb/list.html

A listing and guide to Northern California Bed and Breakfast Inns. You can see where vacancies are and there are some travel tips as well. If you plan to visit No. Calif. then surf on over to this B&B web guide.

Indonesian Army Area Handbook Gopher to: umslivma.umsl.edu:70/11/library/govdocs/armahbs/aahb8

This archive is housed at the Univ of Missouri-St. Louis gopher site and contains a wealth of information. Early History of Indonesia, the coming of Islam, sources of local identification, languages and many other topics. Links to the Library of Congress Asia Field Operations study and a complete chronology of events makes this the most authoritative source on the net for Indonesian culture and information. You might even enjoy the info! The info is exhaustive and full term and research papers can be done from this site alone. Students - take note. One stop shopping for reports here.

Stanislaw Staszic Univ of Mining and Metallurgy (Cracow, Poland) http://www.uci.agh.edu.pl or gopher to: gopher.uci.agh.edu.pl

Includes topical info but also includes info for foreign visitors and links to the local gopher (above). Also has links to Polish Network Resources, a JPEG photo collection and travelogue/tourist guide by Michael Rozek that presents historical facts and cultural traditions in an easy to read and informal style. You'll love this informative virtual trip to Poland.

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The Israel Museum http://www.macom.co.il/museum

Fantastic archive and photographic exhibit. A glimpse into Israeli culture and sights to see. Some historical photos are quite old and have been digitally retouched to preserve their viewability. Another virtual vacation

United Nations Gopher (U.N. Gopher)
Gopher to: nywork1.undp.org
also via WWW at --> http://www.undp.org

A thorughly educational experience awaits for those that travel here. World Trade, the U.N. Charter, World Currencies, The U.N. mission of Peace, and much more awaits the energized traveller. Includes daily journals of U.N conferences and so much more that it will amaze you. Students - go here. Teachers - go here. Everyone else - go here. Learn something of global policies and how they affect each and every one of us. Well worth the trip!

Russian Web server http://www.elvis.msk.su:80

Has links in English and Cyrillic to a plethora of resources. Currency exchange rates, an interactive Russian/English dictionary and links to other Russian web servers. There is also a form that lets you send faxes to Moscow addresses over the web. Getting better all the time. This web server is a joint venture between Russia and Sun MicroSystems. Can you say Unix in Russian? Nyet!

Road Warrior Outpost http://warrior.com

Helpful products for the connected business traveller. From SCSI to PDI to laptops and those hard to fine thing-a-ma-jiggers...

O'Reilly's Global Network Navigator http://nearnet.gnn.com

Index of Net resources. Travel info, financial, weather and a host of other links and info make this a great place to surf to - even if you're not immediately planning to travel.

Global Network Navigator's Traveler's Center http://gnn.com/gnn/meta/travel/index.html

A collection of first-hand accounts of world travel and destinations told by people who actually were there. Most journal entries come complete with pictures and photographs and detailed stories and explanations. You can even include your own stories of travel with photos if you so desire. This is a neat page because you get the feel of travel and what a country is really like - the good with the bad. This web page also has numerous links to other travel related sites and information and is very well done!

Southern California Freeway System

http://www.scubed.com:8001/caltrans/transnet.html

A detailed map map of the So. Calif. freeway road system complete with traffic flow details at various key points. Check it out before you drive!

Las Vegas Online http://www.infi.net/vegas/online/

Contains lots of pictures and movie/video files and a Tourism page that is incredibly well done. Chapels, Gambling, Hotels, Buffet bargains and much more are included in this page along with tons of other Las Vegas info. There is even a "Top Ten Values" list that is updated of the best bargain accomodations including the prime-rib dinner specials at \$3.49. Other info includes Vegas at night and it's all put together by the folks at KLAS-TV and the Nevada Development Authority. Viva Las Vegas!

Unusual Sites across the United States Gopher to: wiretap.spies.com then choose the "Wiretap Online Library" option and then select "Articles", then "Journeys and Travels" and finally the file "Tourist Traps in U.S."

Where else could you find out about where the world's largest twine ball is and where a complete building made of corn is located or where to travel to see an entire highway outlined with colored baseballs! Lots more!

Yucatan Underwater Caves http://www.primenet.com/~trog/ScUbAdUdE.html

Contains many pictures of underwater caves in and off the Yucatan penninsula area. More photos are being added as folks bring back their scuba diving vacation and research photo albums. Impressive!

WELCOME TO ORLANDO!: ORLANDO'S PREMIER WWW SITE ON THE INTERNET http://www.magicnet.net/orlando

[Orlando] Internet Promotions, Inc. is proud to announce its "Welcome to Orlando!" home page on the Internet's World-Wide Web. This exciting new page will serve to advertise the world's number one vacation destination and its business community to an international audience. It will provide "jumping points" to pages sponsored by area attractions, hotels, shopping facilities, restaurants, tour companies, transportation providers, and much more.

Many colorful pages will also include important data about the City of Orlando and its surrounding communities. Parks, recreation facilities, government organizations, and valuable travel information will be available to persons wishing to "visit" the area. Businesses having online brochures linked to "Welcome to Orlando!" may receive electronic mail, and many are planning to use forms on their pages as a method of gathering visitor information and receiving requests.

El Planeta Platica: Eco Travels in Latin America Gopher to: csf.colorado.edu in the --> /environment/orgs/ FTP to: csf.colorado.edu in the --> /environment/orgs/

Ron Mader publishes this quarterly magazine on the Internet desingen to inform travellers going to or coming from Latin America about not only issues dealing with Latin American travel and sights but to also focus on environmentally sensitive travel and environmental issues within Latin America. Articles like "Cycling in the World's Largest City" (Mexico City) and foods and recipes of Latin America will keep the reader interested in the abundance of information presented in the newsletter.

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Internet Resources for Latin America

Gopher to: (2 places)

lanic.utexas.edu in the --> /Latin-America/General-Information

lib.nmsu.edu in the --> /Resources-by-Subject/Border-&-Latin-America

A text document awaits you that gives you a comprehensive list of the many sites (Gopher, FTP, WWW,) containing information on Latin American places and tourist information for visitors. Also contains info on Latin American economies, currencies and hotel accomodations. If you are planning a trip to Latin America - download this gopher document - you won't regret it!

Univ of Texas - Latin American Network Information Center (UT-LANIC)

WWW: http://lanic.utexas.edu/ Gopher to: lanic.utexas.edu

Contains a vast amount of information and links to associated information on Latin America and Cuba. Use the WWW site for a better interface. This is one of the best Latin America sites on the 'net.

University of Guadalajara's Mexico Page http://mexico.udg.mx/ingles.html

The photos here are beautiful and every topic is rich in these wonderfully produced photographs. All aspects of Mexican culture are presented here the one caveat is that every page is in Spanish language only.

Bienvenido a Chile (Welcome to Chile) http://www.dcc.uchile.cl/chile/chile.html

The home page presents a virtual and clickable map of Chile in South America and contains many links to other web sites and gophers within the country. There are few pages in English, however the tourism page is in English and has a lot of info for the traveller.

Spain Internet Resources Map http://www.uji.es/spain_www.html

A virtual map of Spain awaits ready for you to click on points on the map and take you there. Many links to other servers.

Native American (American Indian) Info via Alachua Free-Net

An extensive source of information devoted to the Native American culture. Has links to other sites of related info as well as a complete list of tribes and their histories and present day activities. Great resource!

AESU Home Page (American-European Services Unlimited) http://www.charm.net/~aesu/

A quick way to browse airline ticket prices via the WWW. Select your city of departure and then select your city of arrival (in Europe) and you will get a list of air fares. AESU supposedly offers a competitive list of the lowest cost air fares to your select destination. Many airlines are represented here and the prices change almost daily. You can order tour information through this web site as well as ordering tickets. A discount is available for those purchasing tickets and accessing via the web.

British Tourist Authority Pages http://www.interactive.line.com/british.html

Places to go, things to do and all sorts of events are here for the traveller who intends to visit Britain. Cities of interest and cultural insights are also here. From Windsor Castle to Stonehenge to "Jack the Ripper tours", every possible sight to see is included in this huge web archive. Lodging and restaurant information is included along with some famous (and not so famous) pubs and eateries. Before you take a jaunt to merry old England - take a little jaunt over to this page.

EuroStar Web Page

http://www.iihe.ac.be/hep/pp/evrard/eurostar.html

EuroStar is the name of the "chunnel" train that runs across the English Channel connecting England to France. This page includes a brief pictoral history of the tunnel project along with pictures of the train(s) that provide rail service from/to London, England, Paris, France and Brussels, Belgium. There are online train schedules and price information complete with a link to a currency converter to figure out the cost of train travel. If your trip will include a trip through the "chunnel" then give this page a "look-see" before going on your vacation travels. You can also see the difference in price of using the chunnel vs. the ferry across the channel.

Foreign Language for Travelers http://insti.physics.sunysb.edu/~mmartin/languages/languages.html

A brief language guide attempting to give the world traveller the basic phrases needed to navigate themselves within other countries. French, German, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Hungarian and English are represented here. Many basic phrases come complete with a sound byte to let you check your pronunciation and there are links to other translating dictionaries for many more languages (from Japanese to Welsh dialect it's in here). Before you start out on your journey - surf on over here and brush up or begin to learn some basic phrases you'll need to know to get by in other lands. A highly recommended web site for all travellers!

Amusement Parks http://www.yahoo.com/Entertainment/Amusement_Parks/

Visit an amusement or theme park. Ride a virtual roller coaster and more!

Small is Beautiful - Welcome to Luxembourg http://rzstud1.rz.uni-karlsruhe.de/~ujiw/lk.html

A complete server full of information on the miniscule Grand-Duchy kingdom. Little known facts and travel and tourist information is here too along with a brief geography (I suppose in case you can't find it) and history lesson of the country. Did you know that French is used in the shopping districts and that German is used for the newspapers? I didn't either.

Niagra Falls FallsCam on WWW http://FallsCam.niagara.com

On Tuesday May 23rd Mayor Wayne Thomson of the City of Niagara Falls officially switched on the Niagra Falls "FallsCam". FallsCam, a video camera mounted on the top of the Sheraton Fallsview hotel overlooking the majestic Niagara Falls will provide internet surfers a chance to access a live 15 sec MPEG video of the BIG ONE itself. This project was created to attract the virtual visitor to the Niagara Region. This site is supported by the Internet Connect Niagara and its partners in this project, the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel, Bell Canada and Automated Design Systems. This project is the first of its kind to bring a natural wonder such as the falls at Niagra to the global Internet community. Estimates suggest that the web sitee will have over 35 million visits (page hits) per year, providing a major electronic presence for the Niagara community. Once again we see the intertwining of public resources and potential business purposes of a web page being melded together in a great project effort.

U.S. Information Agency WWW://www.usia.gov gopher://gopher.usia.gov

The United States Information Agency has just put its own WWW and gopher sites online to help explain and advocate U.S. policies in terms that are credible and meaningful in foreign cultures, and to bring the benefits of international engagement to American citizens and institutions by helping them build strong long-term relationships with counterparts overseas.

Resources include information about the Fulbright Scholar programs, student exchanges, international broadcasting, press announcements, and a foreign media reaction section. American and overseas scholars seeking short and long-term grants will find it especially useful for learning about opportunities for travel abroad and travel to the U.S.

A Virtual Window to the Past (Computer Museum) http://www.sentex.net/~ccmuseum

The Commercial Computing Museum has had an exhibit called "A Window to the Past" in downtown Waterloo, Ontario, Canada since July 1994. Now, even if your travel plans don't include a visit to Waterloo, everyone can see the

exhibit because they have put a "virtual window" to the Past on the WWW! Commercial Computing Museum is a remarkable museum and one of the few of its kinds and (perhaps) the only computer museum accesible via the WWW.

FRANCEWEB - French Web site http://www.francenet.fr

FranceWeb is one of the most important Web sites in France (and in french).

Our aim is to provide a comprehensive navigational aid, illustrated and commented links (classified by subjects), to our french speaking visitors.

The URL for our HomePage is: "http://www.francenet.fr"

Here are the URL's for some of our Resource Pages:

France and french speaking:

Directories:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Fra/FraAnn.html" France and Paris:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Fra/FraFrance.html" French culture:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Fra/FraCult.html" French newsgroups:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Fra/FraNews.html"

Other Pages:

Animals:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Cul/culanimaux.html"

Arts:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Cul/culart.html"

Comics & toons:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Cul/culbd.html"

Kids Page:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Cul/culenfant.html"

Litterature:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Cul/cullitterature.html"

Music (general):

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Cul/culmusiquegeneral.html"

Sports:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Cul/culsport.html"

Television:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Cul/cultelevision.html"

Finance:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Eco/ecoecobourse.html"

Geopolitics:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Eco/ecopolitique.htm"

Government:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Eco/ecogovernement.html"

Mac resources:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Inf/infinfapple.html"

Virtual Shops:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Pra/praachetergaleries.html"

Airlines:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Pra/pravoyageravion.html"

Astronomy:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Sci/sciastronomie.html"

Medicine:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Sci/scimedecine.html"

You can also check out our "Gazette du Net" which is a twice-weekly selection of links we plan to put on FranceWeb's Pages:

"http://www.francenet.fr/franceweb/Cal/Calgazette.html"

English/Spanish Dictionaries

http://www.willamette.edu/~tjones/forms/spanish.html

Both Spanish to English and English to Spanish translation dictionaries are to be found at this web site.

English and French Dictionaries

- --> English to French http://mlabpower3.uiah.fi/EnglishFrench/ef.html
- --> French to English http://tuna.uchicago.edu/forms unrest/FR-ENG.html

Both sites offer English/French translation dictionaries although each site is suited to a particular direction in the translation process. Select the correct site for the intended purpose and direction of translation needed.

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Knowles German English Translations http://www.infi.net/~sknowles

Announcing a new homepage for translations: Knowles German English Translations. Come and stop by at and check out rates and other services. Interesting links to sites in Germany and hilarious translations are also included. Unexpected fun and great info all at the same time!

Other German/English translation dictionaries can be found at: http://calamity.rz-berlin.mpg.de/eg.html

English/Slovene Dictionary http://www.fer.uni-lj.si/dictionary/a2s.html

Convert English to Slovenik language(s). A new offering that is being updated and enlarged with more words and vocabulary statements.

Canadian Home Pages Info http://info.ic.gc.ca

A complete listing of Canadian Govt pages is available at the above home page URL. This home page will be continually updated and new sites and URLs will become listed when available. Specialty sites and web pages are shown below...

The Government of Canada, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, has several of the Embassies and Consulates with Home Pages on the World Wide Web, they are:

Canadian Consulate General, Detroit http://bizserve.com/canadian-detroit

Canadian Embassy, Washington http://www.nstn.ca/wshdc

Canadian Embassy, Milan http://www.agora.stm.it/canada

Trade Office, San Diego, CA (US) http://www.cts.com/~cdntrade

Trade Office, San Jose, CA (US) http://www.globalx.net/ccto

Hong Kong Online Guide http://www.hk.super.net/~webzone/hk.html

The Hong Kong Online Guide is an electronic guidebook for Hong Kong. From it, you can find information regarding airlines, hotels and all sorts of interesting places. There are fact files, etc. with lots of pictures. A great place to travel for the virtual tourist. If you plan on coming to Hong Kong or just wish to browse the WWW page this is one of (if not the only) few sources on the WWW that have as much travel and 'guidebook" info as this one. Enjoy!

Macau Home Page http://202.64.33.201/

Besides being the only commercial WWW server in Macau it might be the only WWW page available from Macau. General info and tourist info is available.

Morocco WWW page http://www.dsg.ki.se/maroc

The Morocco web page contains tourist info, Moroccan history and culture including cultural events, a picture gallery of places to see and things to do and a public "auditorium" where people can leave messages and ask various questions about Morocco and travel related questions.

Wanaka - New Zealand web page http://www3.waikato.ac.nz/wanaka/

Wanaka, New Zealand, is the ideal holiday destination providing a wide variety of adventure sporting activities and quieter pursuits. The new web site is available now. Great photos and information not only on Wanaka, New Zealand but on the whole of New Zealand. For the virtual tourist and those who wish to sample the New Zealand lifestyle and places to see.

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New York City WWW sites http://www.pubadvocate.nyc.gov/~advocate/index.html http://www.escape.com/eMall/exploreny/ny1.html

New York City, info capital of the world finally gets some web sites to call its own! The first web site is put up by the Public Advocate's office and is designed to make the Big Apple more user-friendly. Lots of New York info and links! Check it out! Both web pages are excellently done.

FXPO

http://sunsite.unc.edu/expo/ticket office.html

Plentiful links to various virtual "web tours" found across the globe. This site includes links to the Vatican tour (Rome), a Russian tour and many others. A fairly new site that is expanding in both scope and material.

Amtrak WWW page HTTP://WWW.AMTRAK.COM

Hey folks... I don't speak for Amtrak but I thought this was interesting.

PR Newswire and Amtrak WWW info

WASHINGTON, May 16 /PRNewswire/ -- Amtrak, the nation's rail passenger network, now offers it latest promotions and products on the internet via World Wide Web, and celebrates with a sweepstakes and special discount to internet users. Some 50 Amtrak pages of Amtrak photographs and text are continuously available to anyone with computerized access to the internet by entering: HTTP://WWW.AMTRAK.COM.

Amtrak browsers qualify for a special 10 percent discount for all travel through June 15 -- coach and first class. This offer may be extended so see the Web page for details.

"Amtrak is proud to be a travel industry pioneer in reaching customers for real-time marketing utilizing global technology," said Thomas M. Downs, Amtrak president. "Amtrak will use the internet to reach millions of potential Amtrak passengers broadening the company's customer base and providing travelers with a matchless travel experience."

Amtrak's internet pages detail new train services and include Amtrak's travel planner, illustrated with graphics and pictures. Special promotional offers are also available, and Amtrak's timetables will be on-line in the near future. Each month throughout 1995, Amtrak's Internet Sweepstakes will award two sets of All Aboard America transcontinental round-trip coach tickets to World Wide Web users. All visitors to Amtrak's home pages will be automatically entered in the sweepstakes.

Host Marriott Travel Plazas, Airports and Hot Shoppes http://www.ten-io.com/hm/

Host Marriott operates 95 travel plazas on 14 turnpikes and interstate highways, over 70 airports worldwide and 10 Hot Shoppe retaurants in the Washington, DC area. Print out your free coupon for your next trip! You can also view travel and lodging info on the WWW site.
