

BBT Online's Bucket list – Sabine Neirings (46), Freelance Incentive travel consultant, MaX

Making a bucket list can be quite confronting. It makes you evaluate your life. Looking back, I can say I've been a lucky girl: healthy and surrounded by great friends and family. Life has been gentle to me. Being a little "crazio" and hard headed, sometimes got me on interesting roads. These last 3 years I travelled the incentive road. I was already a globetrotter, but now I can call it an official job. Wow!

As I try to get the most out of every day, I came to the conclusion my bucket list is not quite that spectacular. No need for me to jump out of a plane, climb Mount Everest or other crazy stuff. Maybe it's the age of reason settling in (oh noooo).



1. Inspiration

I love being inspired. An artist, a philosopher, a comedian, the taxi driver or even my 17 year old adolescent. They make you look at the world in a different way. It's great to have your mind challenged and I would wilt if that wasn't the case anymore. Learning is what I love to do every day. It gives me energy. So meeting inspiring people is certainly something that could not be missed on my list.

2. Creating

Looking out of a window, while on a busy terrace or on a top of a mountain, I get excited to make my brain spin. Whether it is creative writing, storytelling or making photographs. Maybe one day I will write a book. On what? We will see.

3. Nature

I really love all kind of animals, and maybe one day I hope I can do more for all those sad little creatures you see on your trips. Hungry, wandering the streets or caged, in need of affection. As a start I make a point of not integrating animal abusing activities in incentive trips we organize. And rather than buying another pair of shoes (and I do love shoes), I try to sponsor nearby and faraway shelters and try to raise a little awareness. And secretly I'm dreaming of welcoming a whole bunch of animals in a beautiful country home surrounded by spectacular nature.

4. Travelling

The buzzing sound of an airport, leading people to new destinations. Each carrying their suitcases and their stories. I find this more than entertaining. And as they say: "if travelling were free, you would not see me again". You'd at least see less of me, that's for sure. Here are some things that are high on the list:

- An adventurous 4 X 4 road trip through Bolivia: the salt desert, the colorful little towns, the never ending roads, the spectacular nature, a cocktail on a rooftop terrace ...
- Or totally different: a pilgrimage to Compostella to meditate on my past life
- Or a 50's retro style holiday in Italy in a Fiat 500

Now all I need is a ticket, my passport, my camera and let's go!

But another travel related item is on my bucket list. If one day I could join Tom Waes on one of his adventures, that would be amazing. He makes breathtaking trips, meets intriguing people all over the world, analyzing history & future. I think he has the best job in the whole world! So Tom, if you are reading this ...



5. Triple L

Live. Love. Laugh. Laugh every day. Have fun. Spend crazy times with friends and loved ones. Dance, be passionate, share, love, feel alive!

Nietzsche once said: "And those who were seen dancing were thought insane by those who could not hear the music"

I have nothing more to add to that.

The end.