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WORKING IN IT ABROAD

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1998

**Fleet**



2002

**San
Francisco**

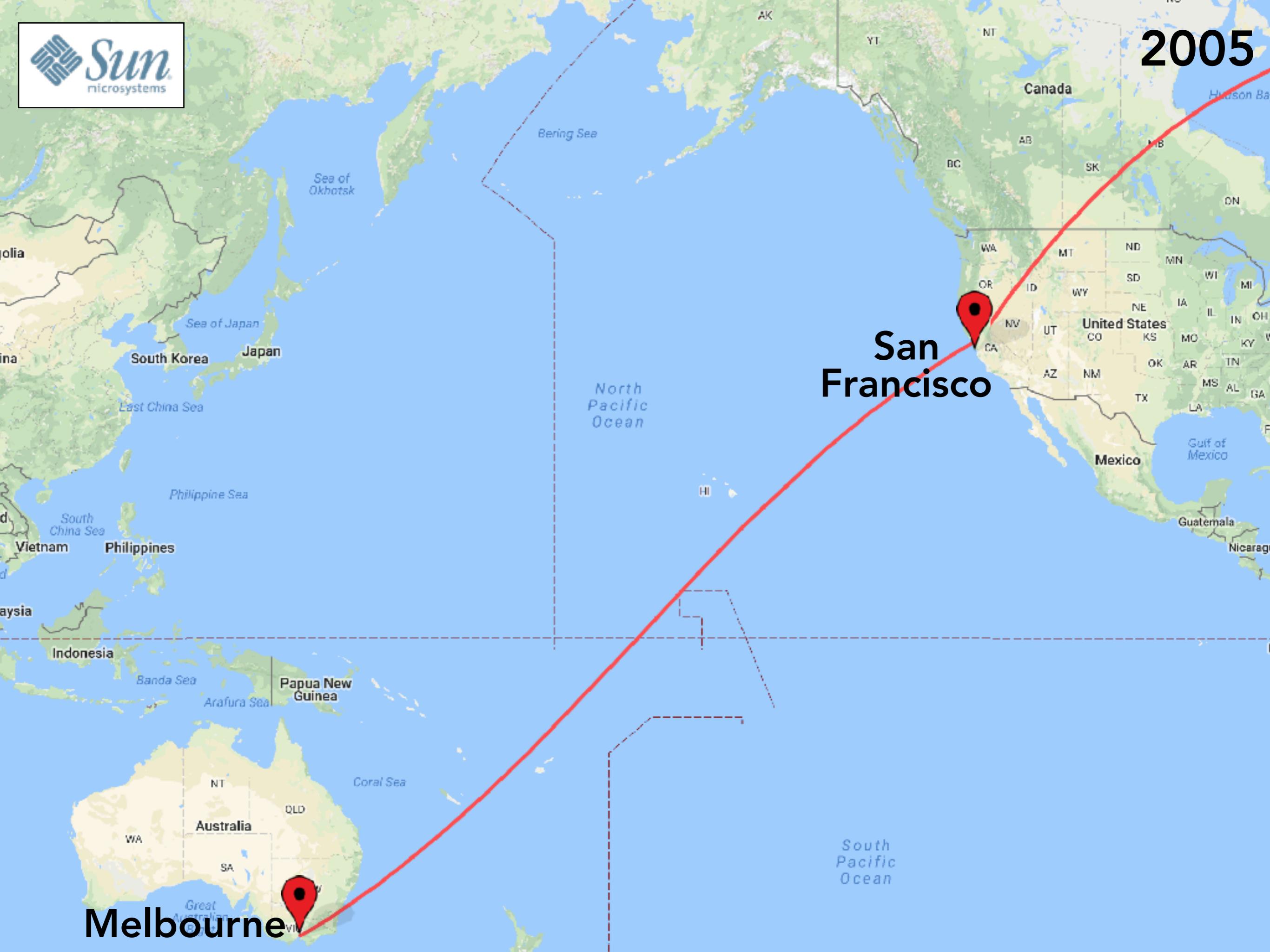




2005

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Francisco**

Melbourne





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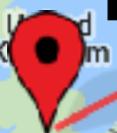
London



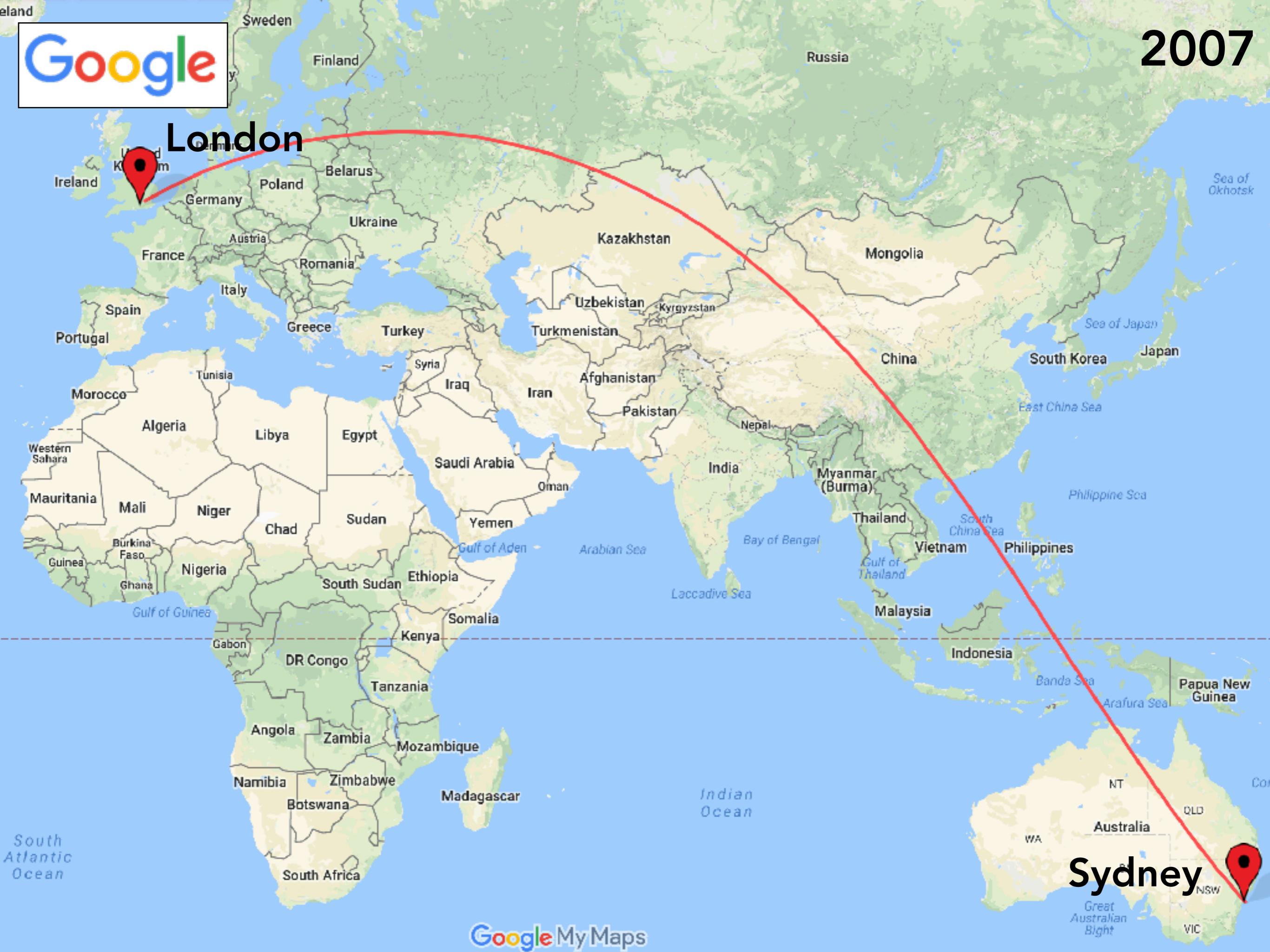


2007

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Sydney

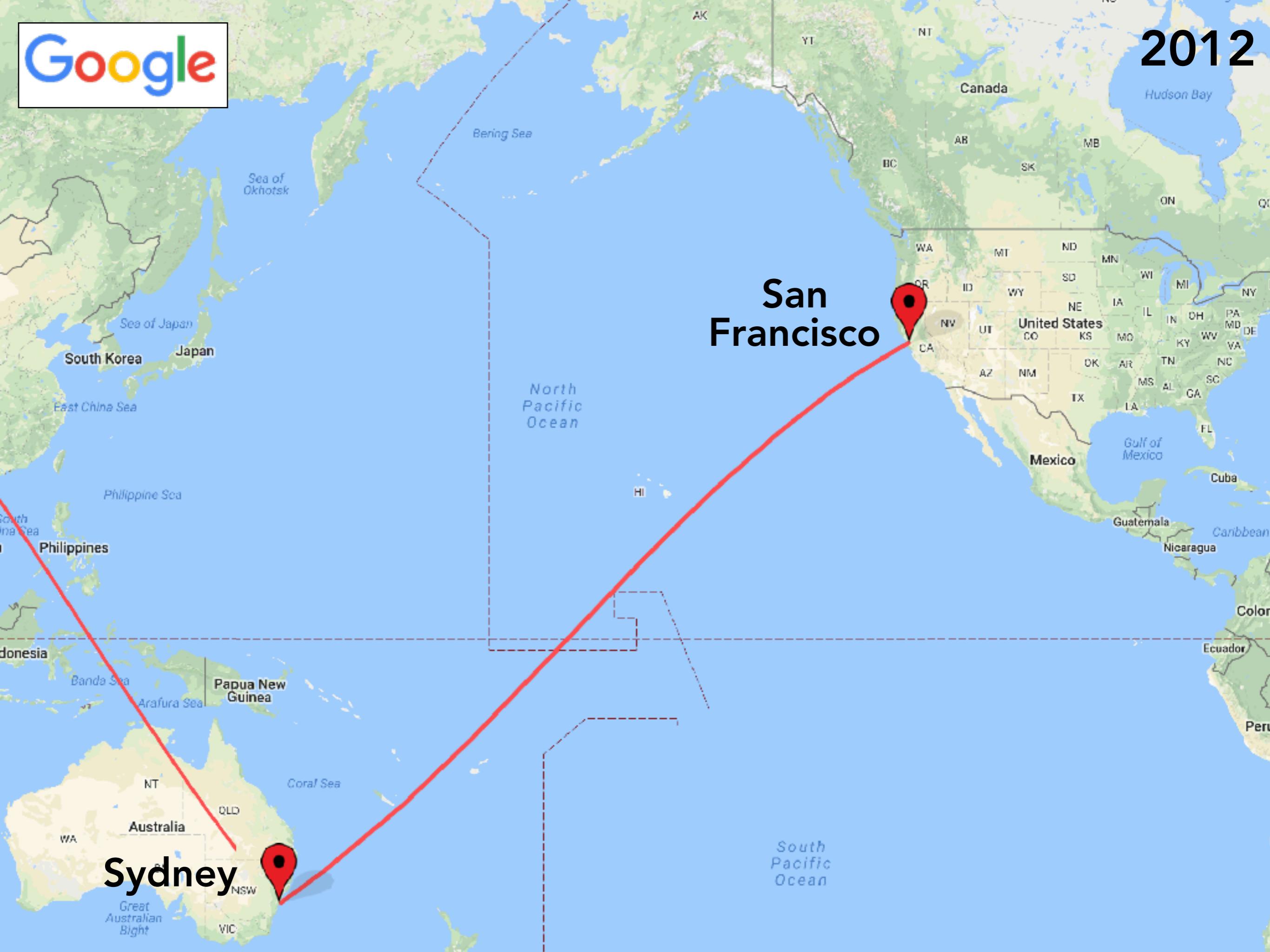




2012

San Francisco

Sydney



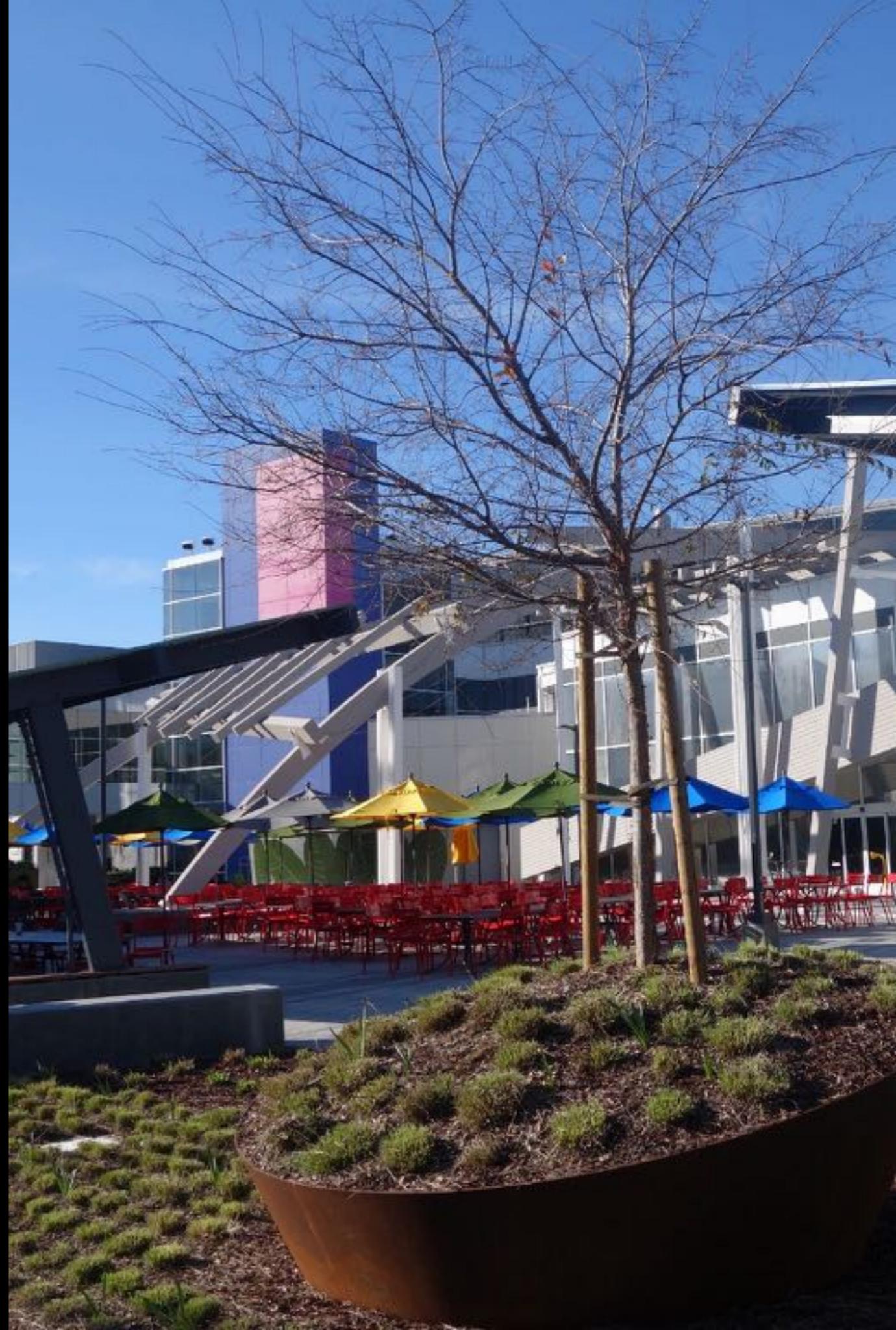


**San
Francisco**

Exeter

AGENDA

- Why work abroad?
- Challenges
- How to work abroad
- Living in Australia
- Living in the U.S.A.
- Making the most of it



WHY WORK ABROAD?



WHY WORK ABROAD?

- See the world



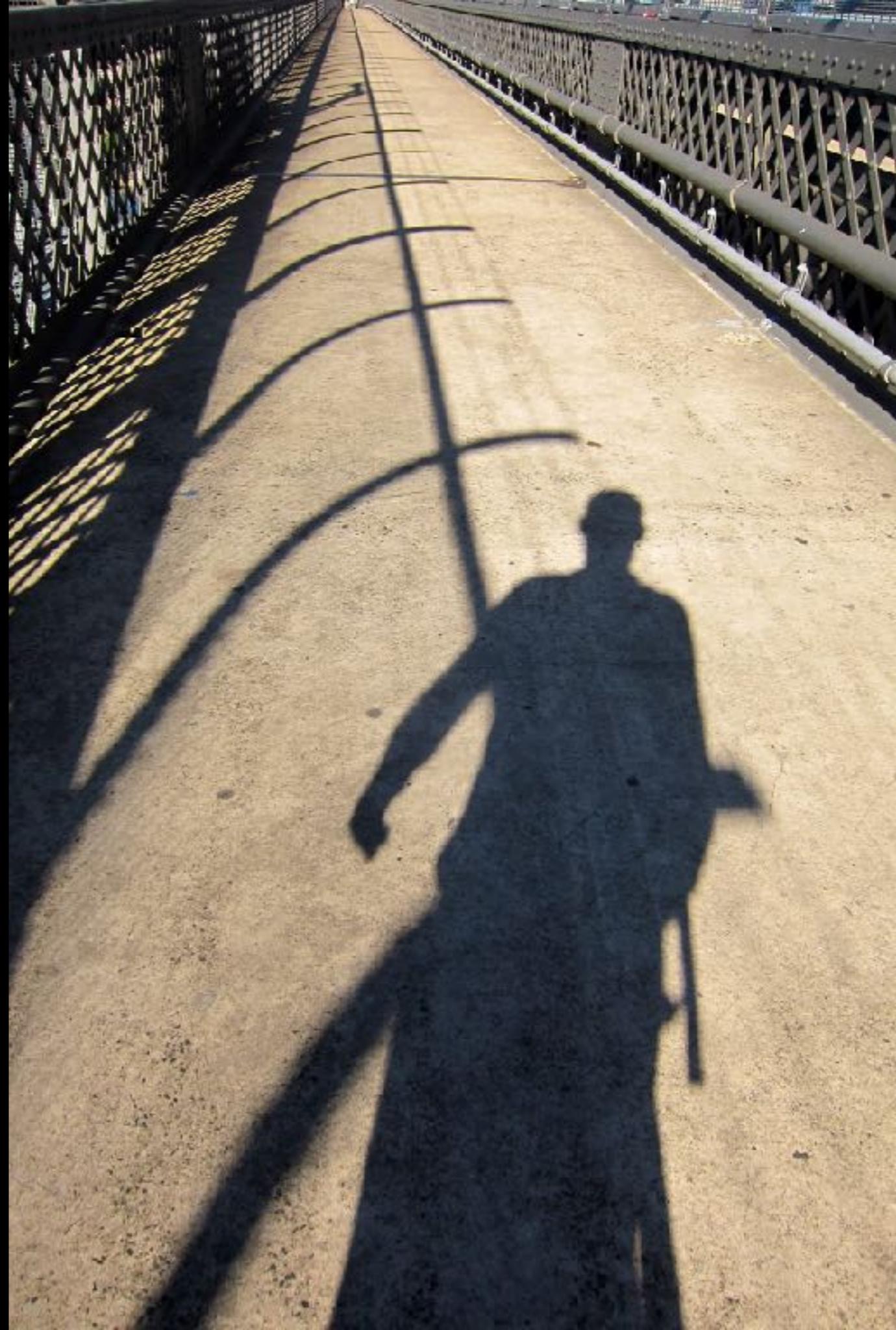
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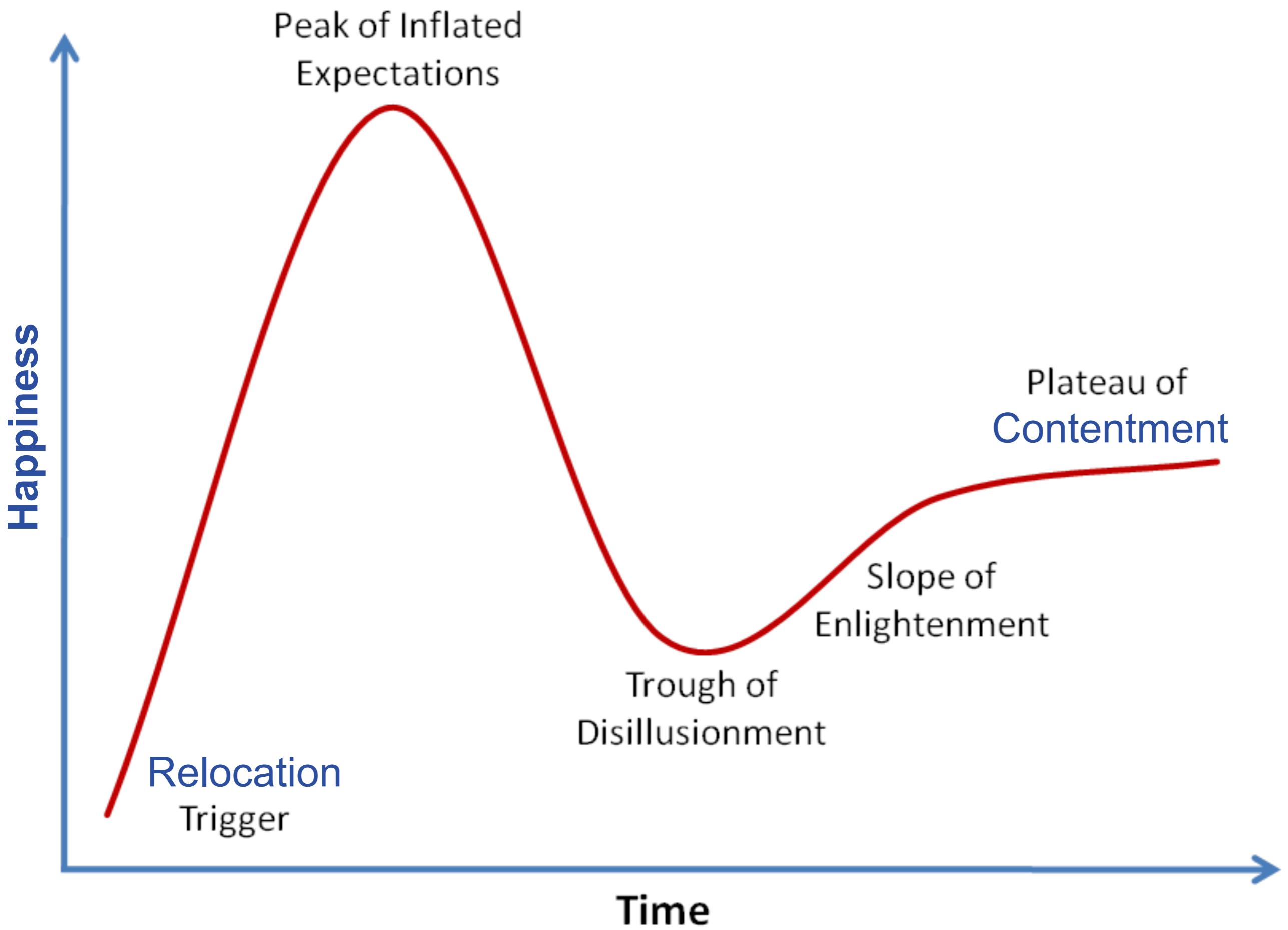
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- See the world
- Start afresh
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- Meet interesting people
- Develop professionally
- Have fun



CHALLENGES

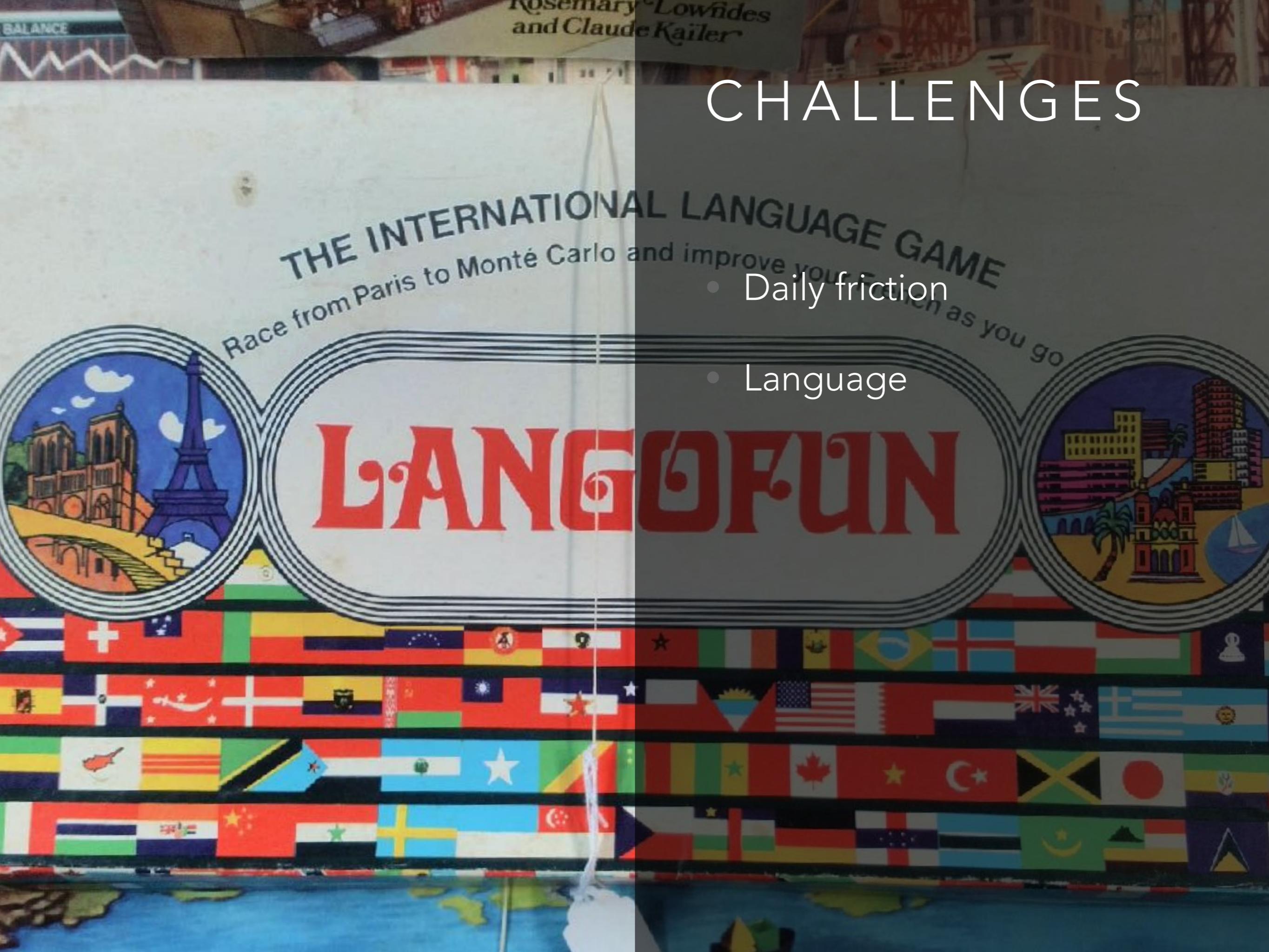






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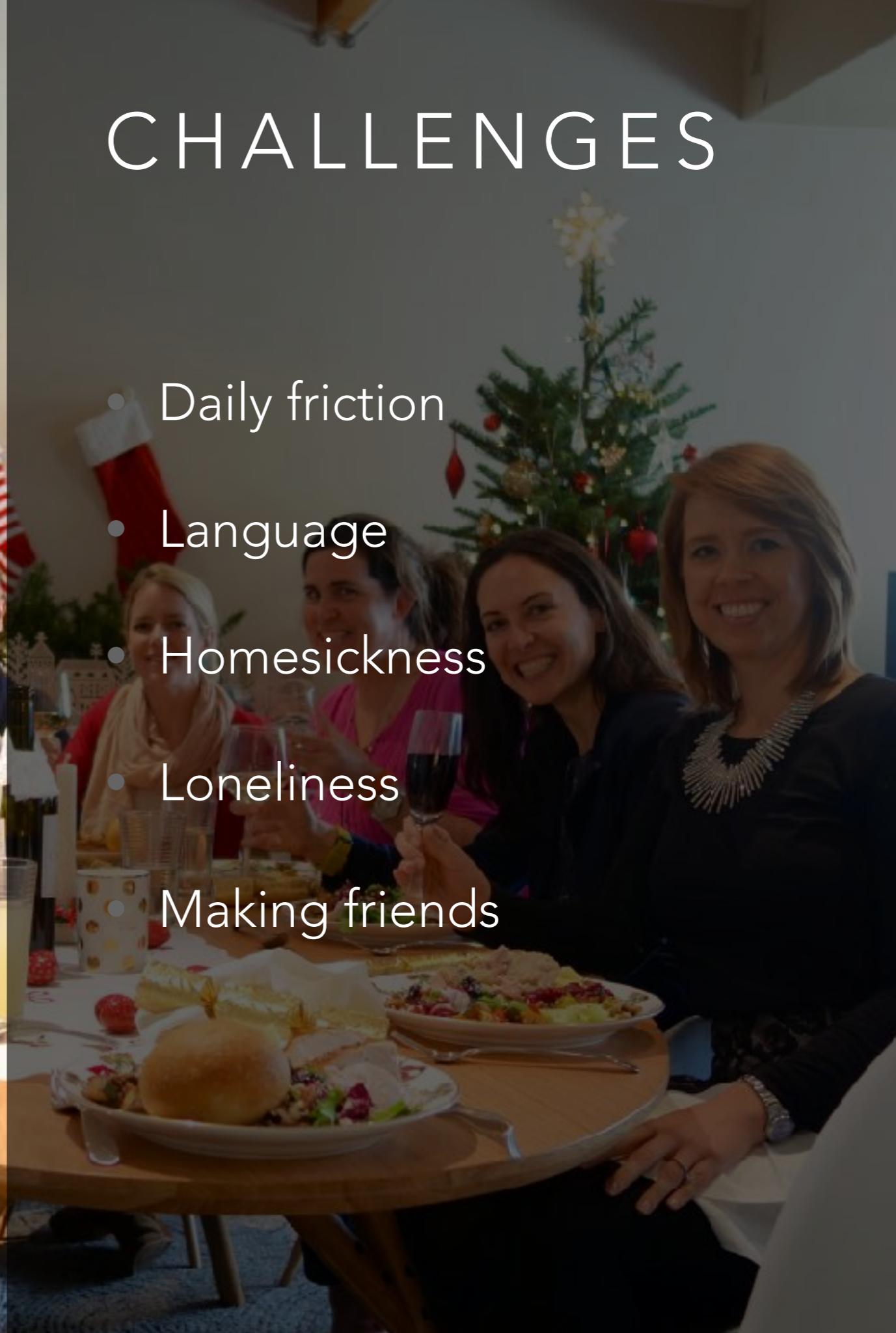


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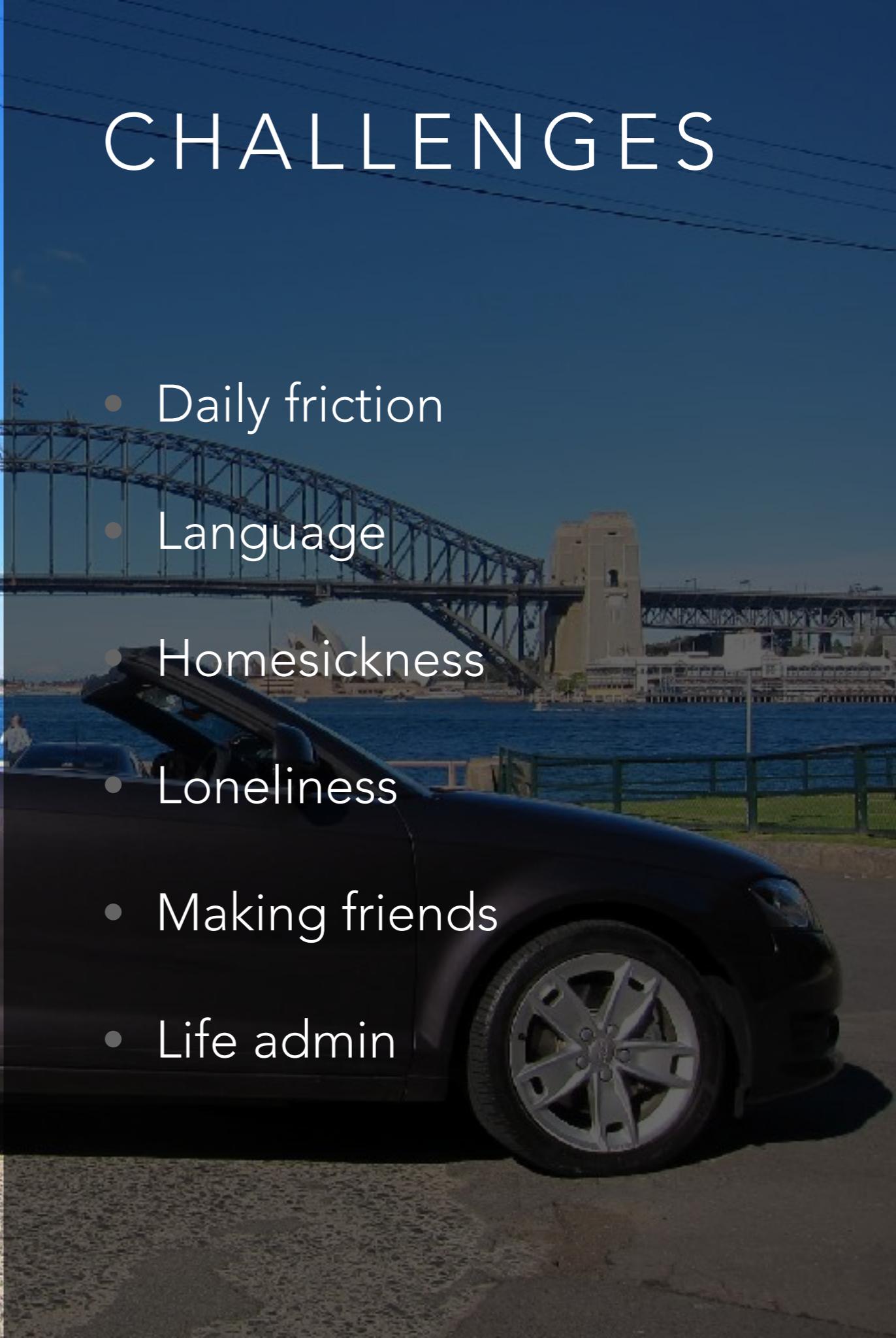
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 - Language
 - Homesickness
 - Loneliness
 - Making friends
 - Life admin

HOW TO WORK ABROAD



A photograph of the Sydney Opera House, showing its iconic white sail-shaped roof against a clear blue sky. The building is reflected in the dark blue water of the harbor in the foreground.

AUSTRALIAN VISAS

- 417 (Working holiday)
 - Applicants aged 18 - 30
 - Initially valid for 1 yr
 - Max 6 months per employer
- 482 (Temp. skill shortage)
 - Sponsored by employer
 - Requires 2 yrs work experience
 - Eligible skilled occupations only
 - Short term - valid for 2 years
 - Medium term - valid for 4 years
 - Renewable once
- 189 (Skilled independent)
 - Points based, by invitation
 - Eligible skilled occupations only
 - Applications cost ~£2,155

A photograph of the Statue of Liberty standing on Liberty Island in New York Harbor. The statue is shown from the waist up, facing slightly left. The sky is clear and blue. The water in the foreground is calm.

U.S. VISAS

- H-1B (Skilled workers)
 - 65,000 annual quota
 - +20,000 for Masters holders
 - Highly competitive lottery
 - Sponsored, but transferable
 - Valid for up to 6 yrs
- L-1 (Intracompany transfer)
 - No annual limit
 - Sponsored, non transferable
 - Valid for up to 5 yrs (L-1B)

Only larger companies can afford to sponsor a visa

Australia

- Defacto partners recognised
 - Requires proof of 1+ yr relationship
- Full work rights on 482 visa



U.S.A.

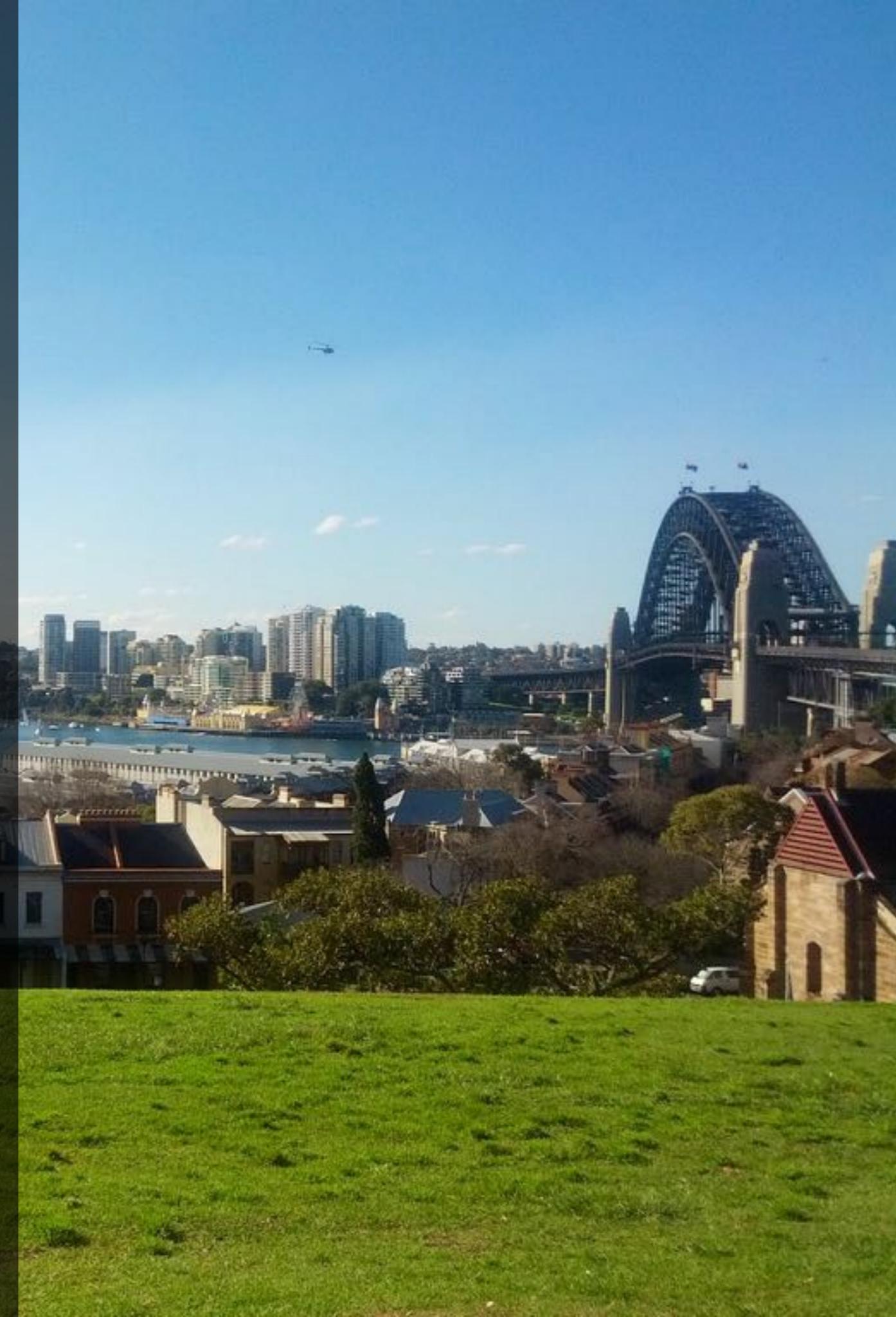
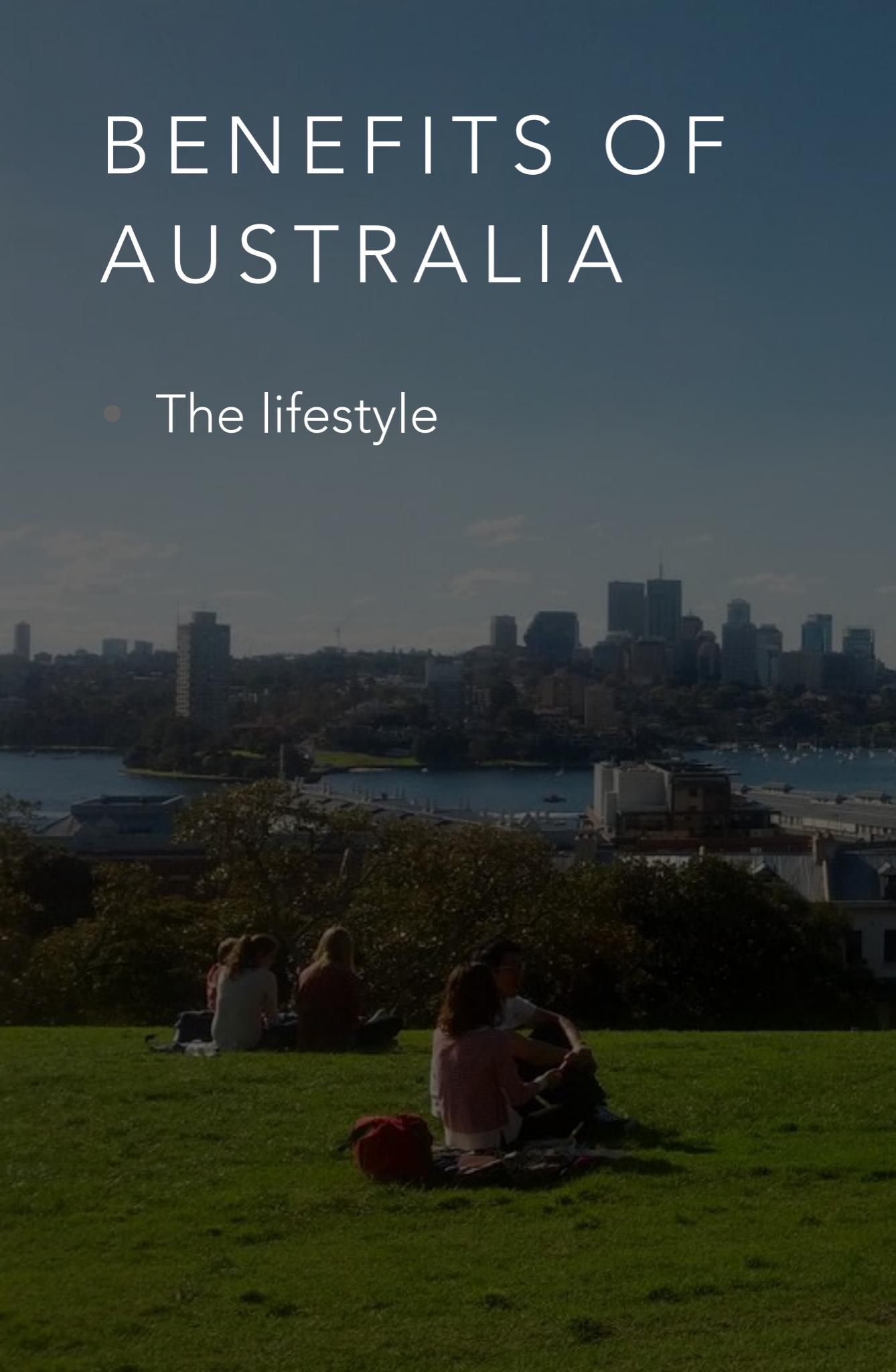
- Spouses only
- No right to work on an H-4 visa (partner of a H1-B holder)
- Full work rights on an L-2 visa (partner of a L-1)

LIVING IN AUSTRALIA



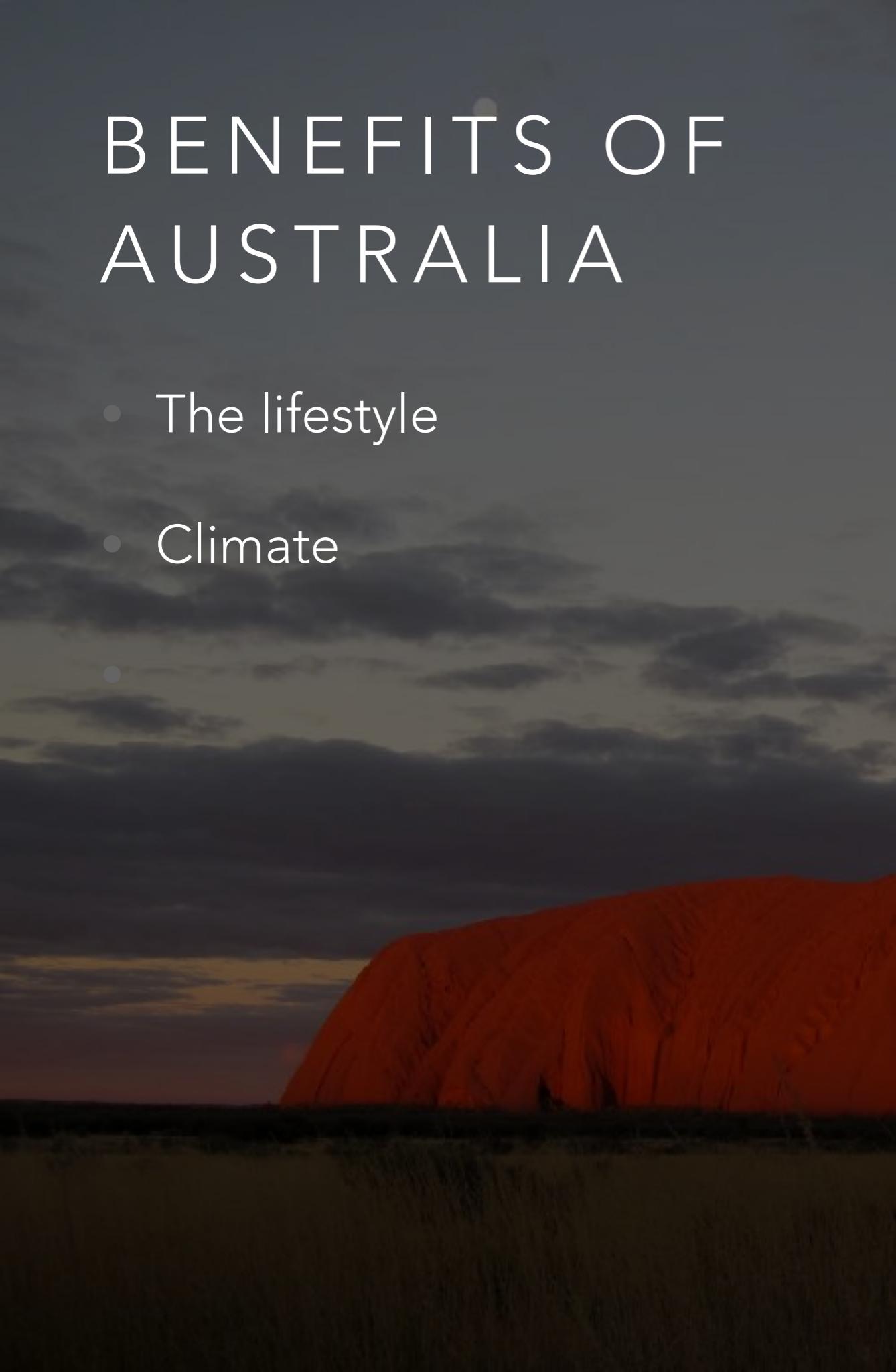
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- The lifestyle



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- The lifestyle
- Climate
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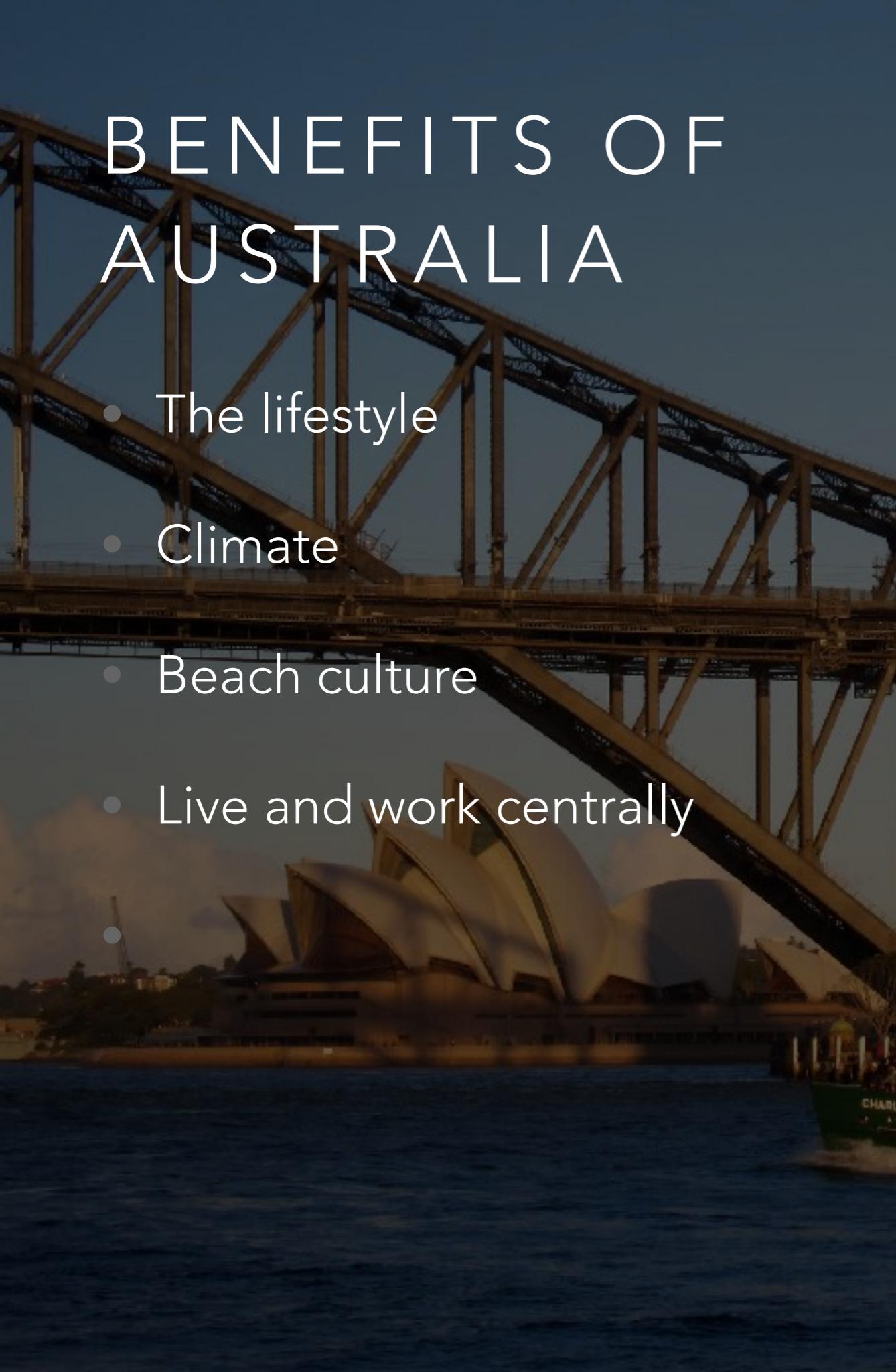
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BENEFITS OF AUSTRALIA

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- Travel around Asia
- Culturally familiar
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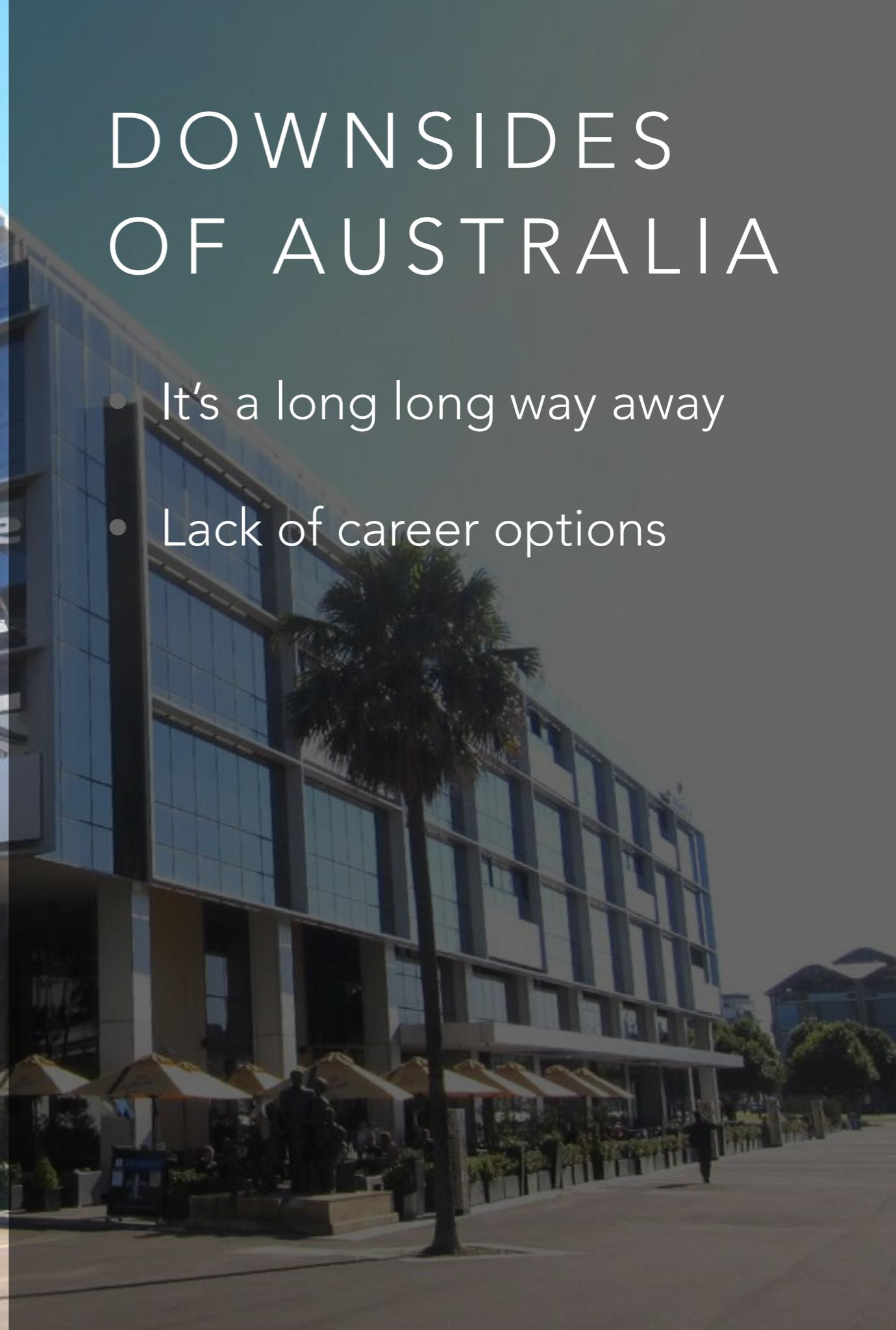


DOWNSIDES OF AUSTRALIA

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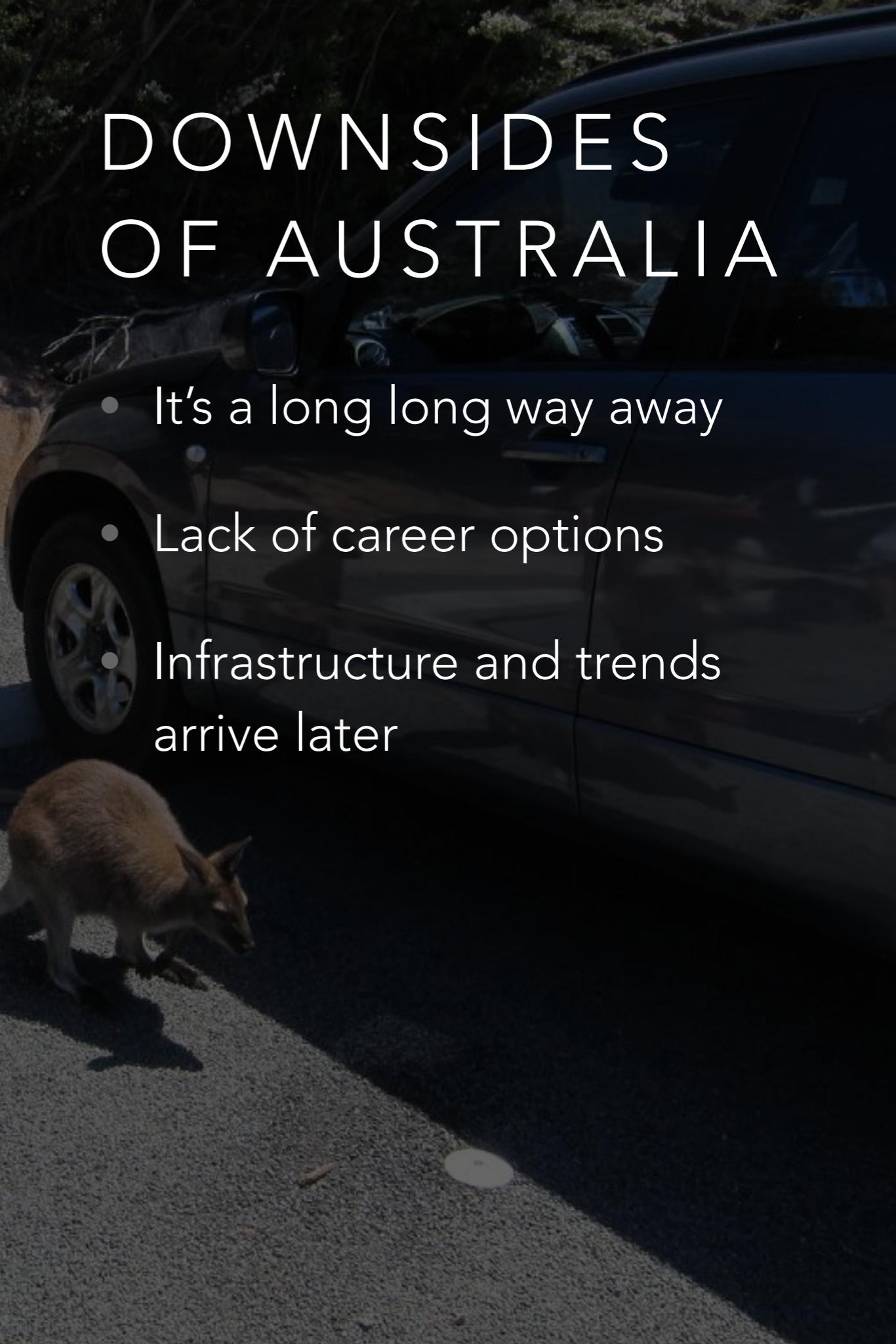


DOWNSIDES OF AUSTRALIA

- It's a long long way away
 - Lack of career options
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DOWNSIDES OF AUSTRALIA

- It's a long long way away
 - Lack of career options
 - Infrastructure and trends arrive later
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LIVING IN THE U.S.A.



BENEFITS OF THE U.S.A.

- Where the future is at





BENEFITS OF THE U.S.A.

- Where the future is at
- Cultural melting pot

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- Where the future is at
- Cultural melting pot
- So much to learn



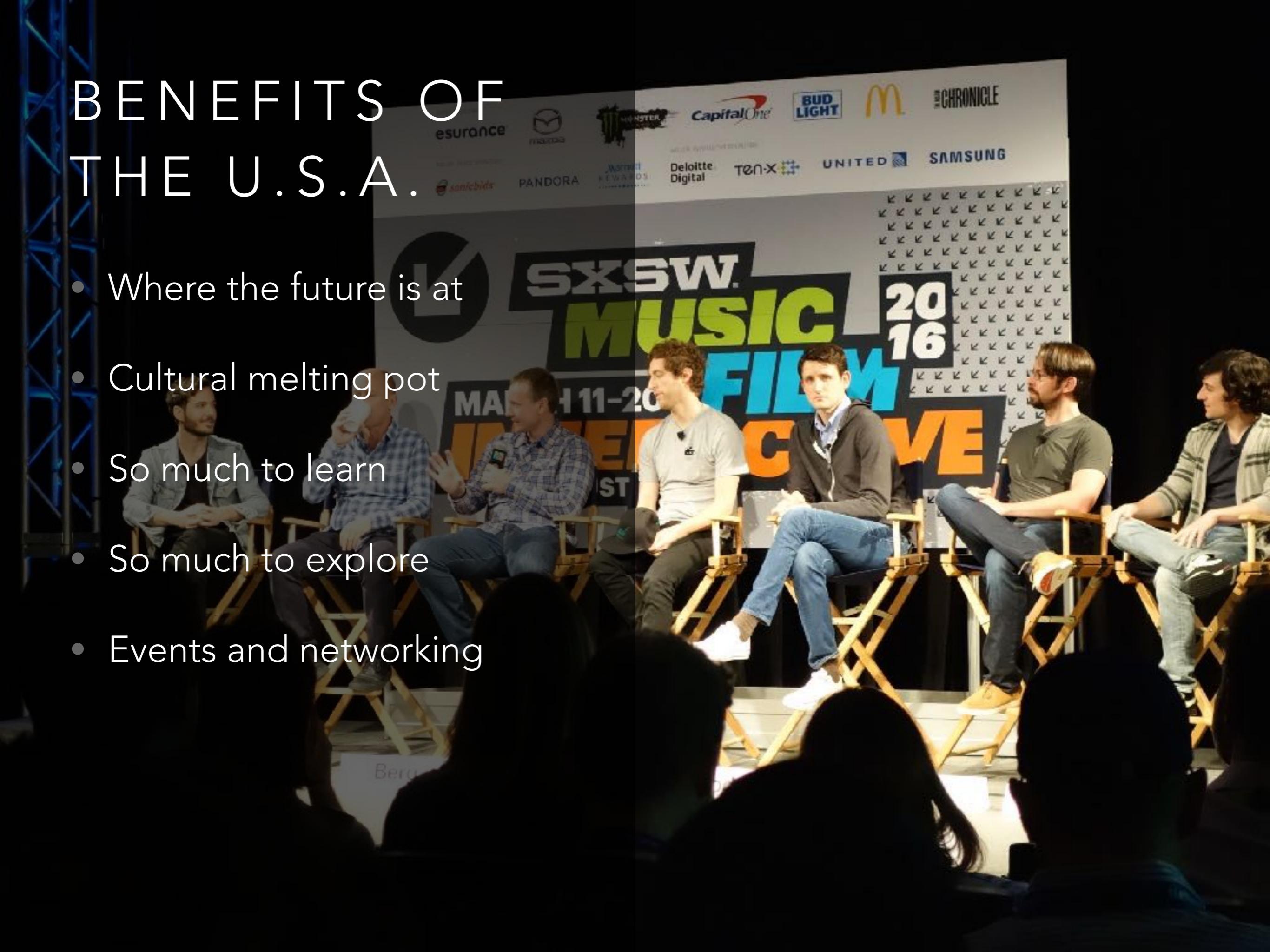
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- Where the future is at
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- So much to learn
- So much to explore
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- Events and networking



BENEFITS OF THE U.S.A.

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- Cultural melting pot
- So much to learn
- So much to explore
- Events and networking
- Surprisingly close

SO CLOSE

YET

SO FAR OUT

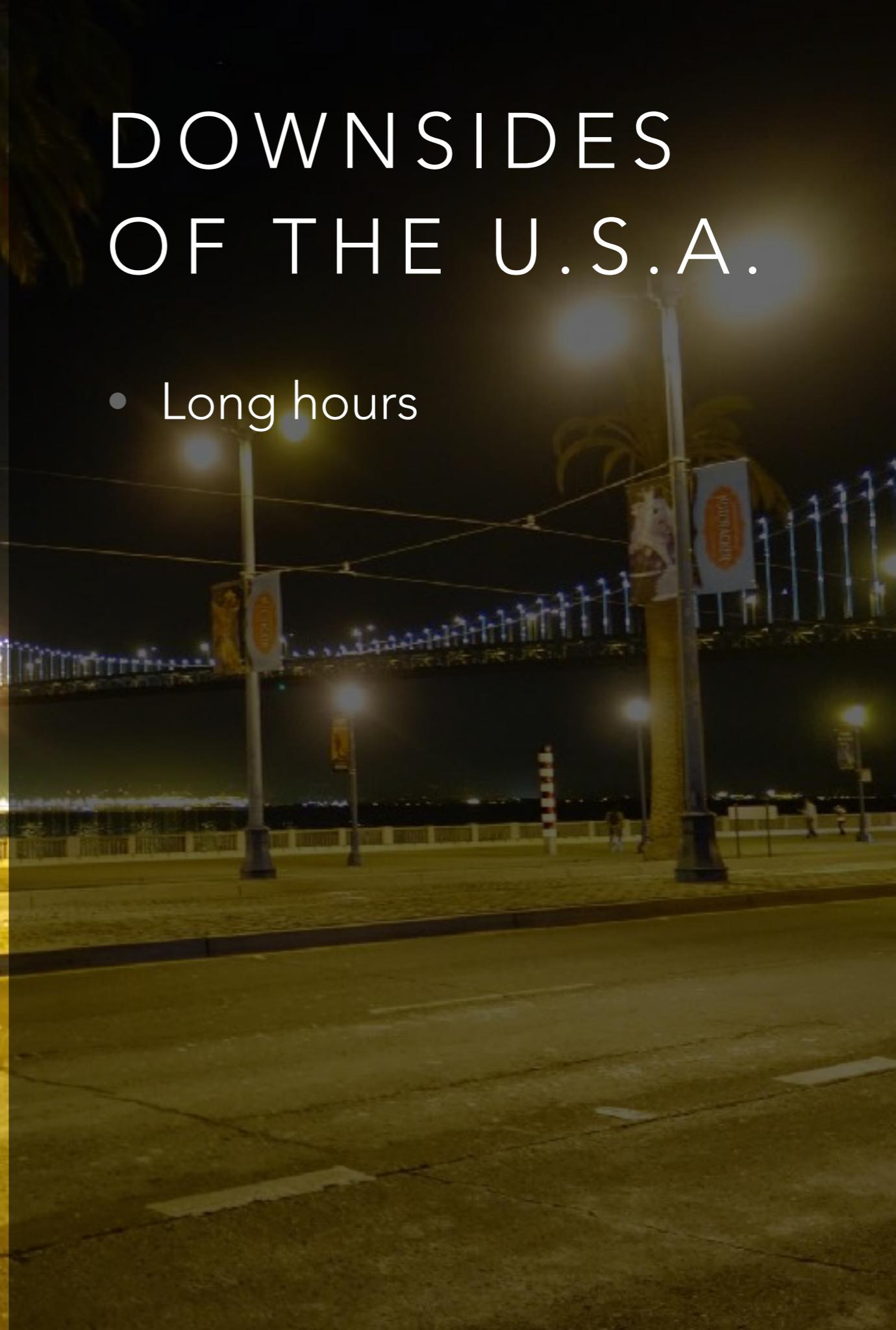
THE ORIGINAL ELEGANTTM
WORLD WIDE HOTELS



NO
VACANCY

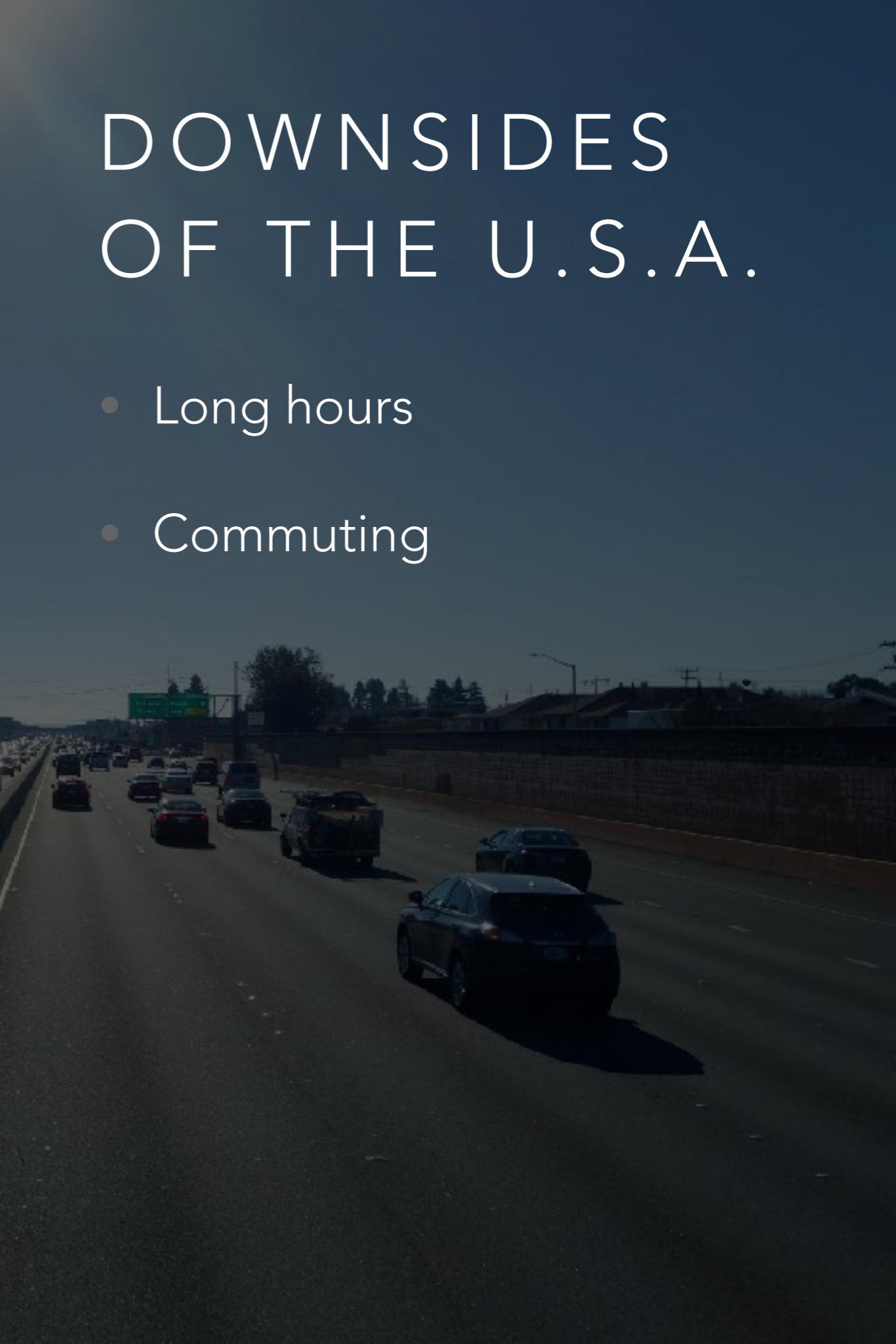
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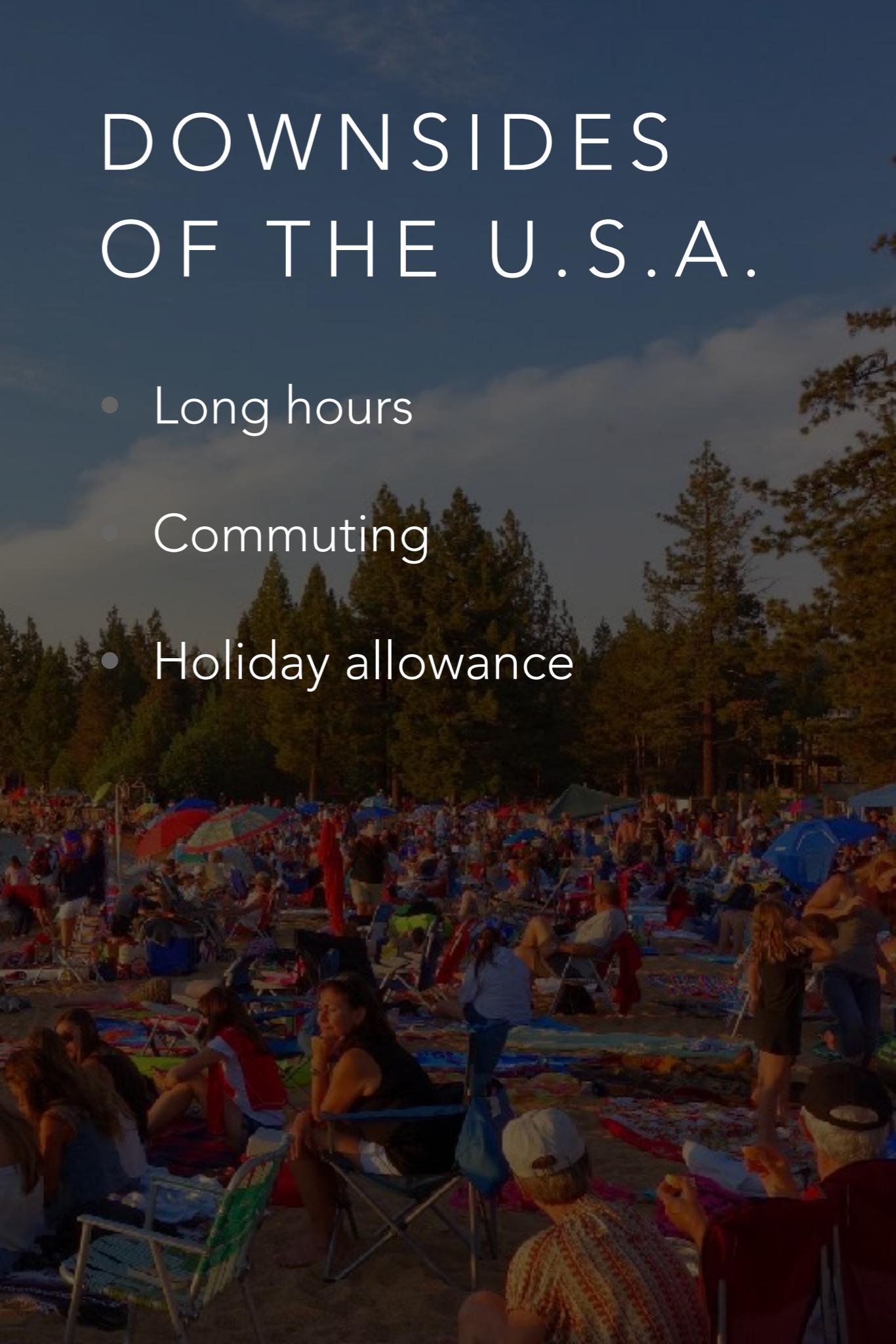


DOWNSIDES OF THE U.S.A.

- Long hours
 - Commuting
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DOWNSIDES OF THE U.S.A.

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 - Commuting
 - Holiday allowance
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DOWNSIDES OF THE U.S.A.

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- Commuting
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- Cultural dissonance

U.S. TECH HOTSPOTS





Seattle

New York

**San Francisco
Bay Area**

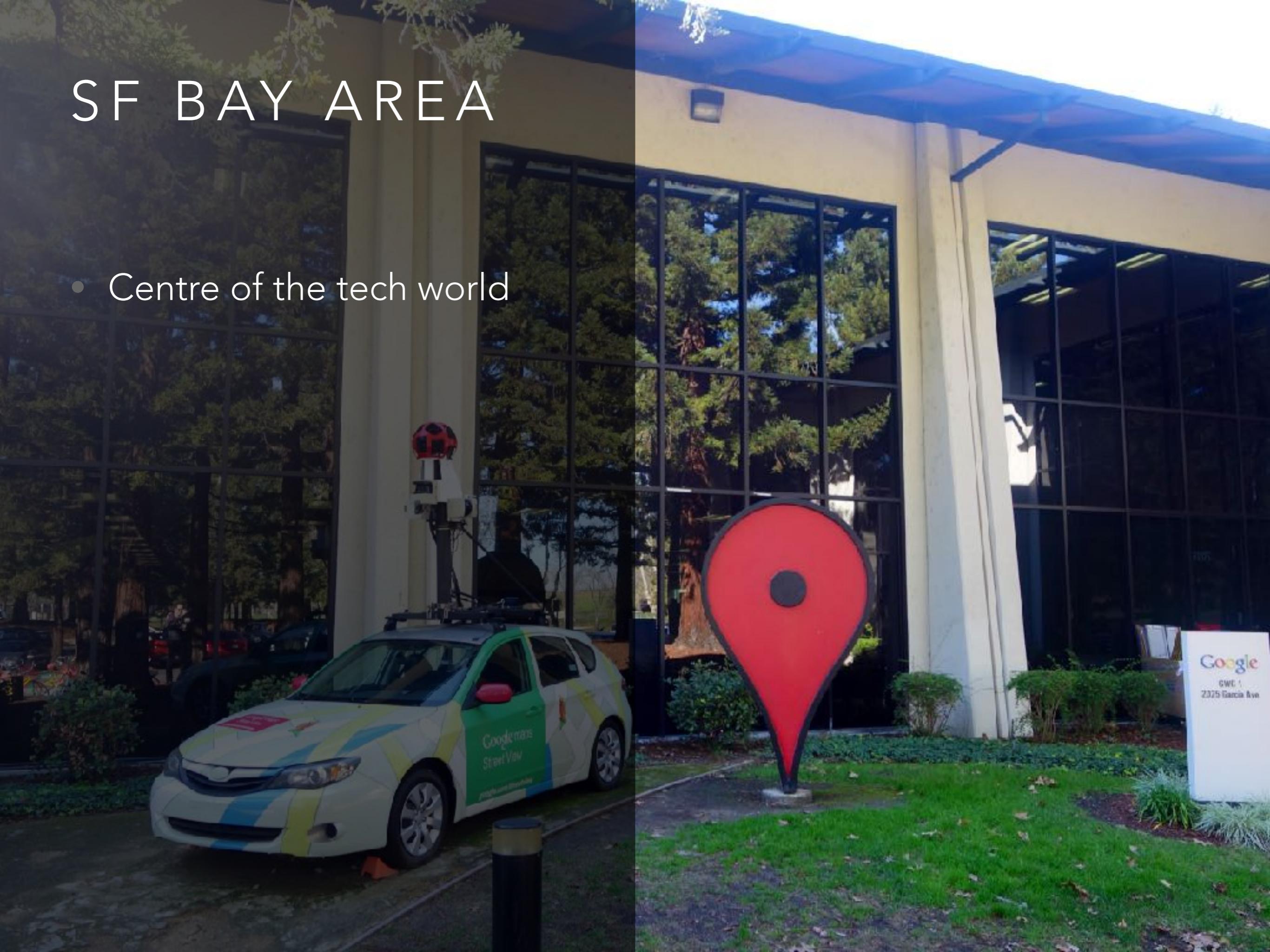


SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA



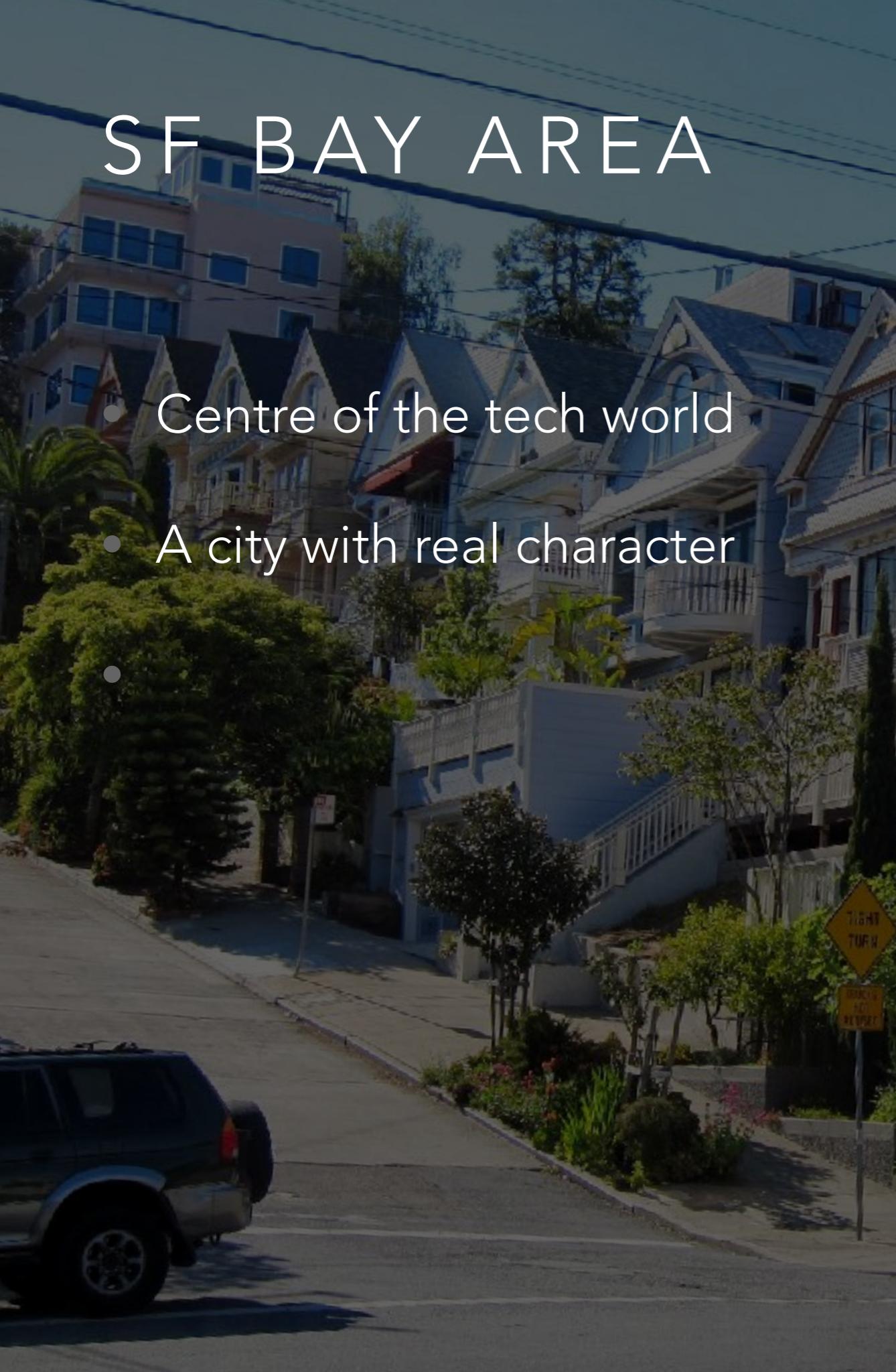
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- A city with real character
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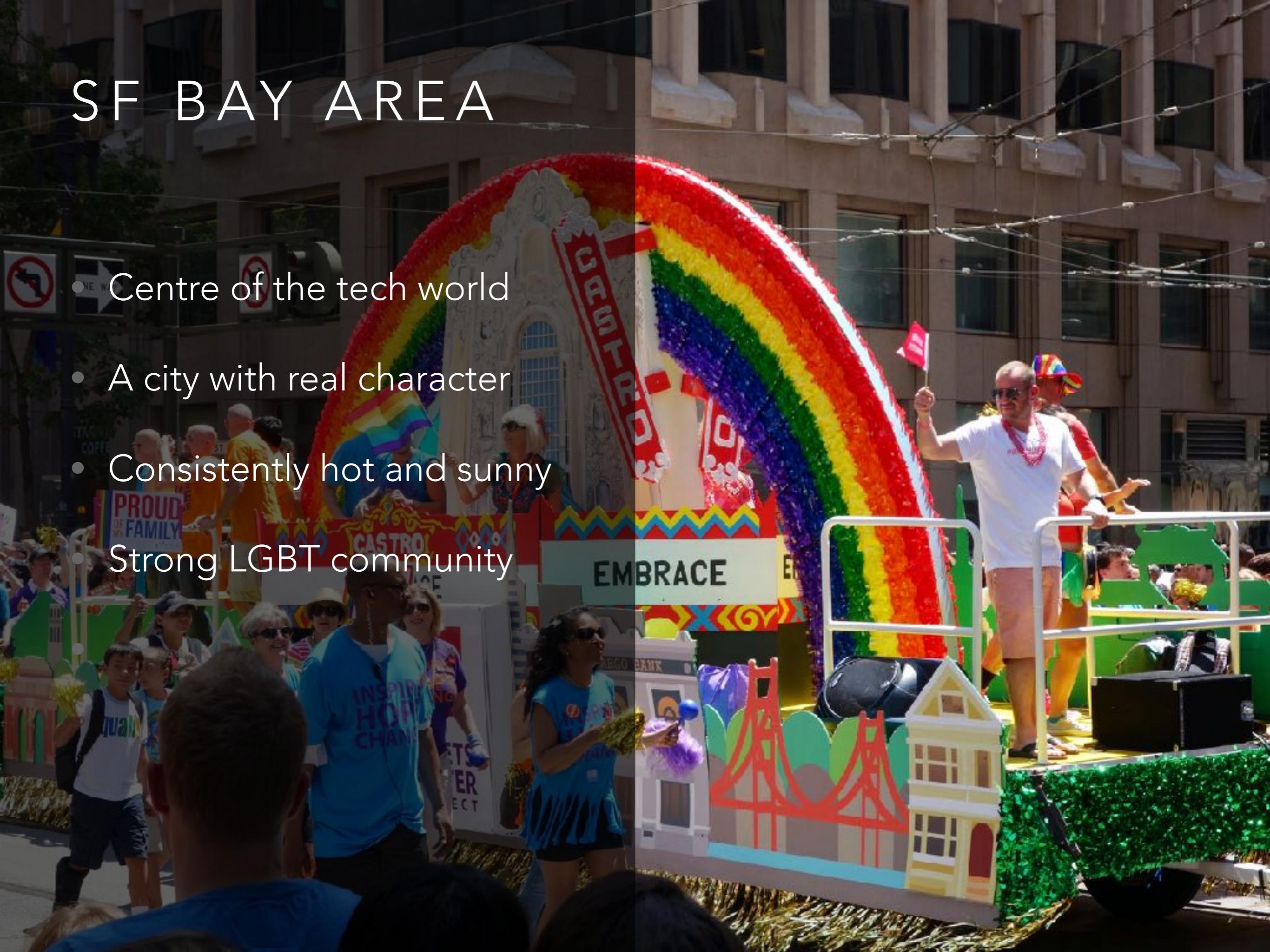
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- Consistently hot and sunny
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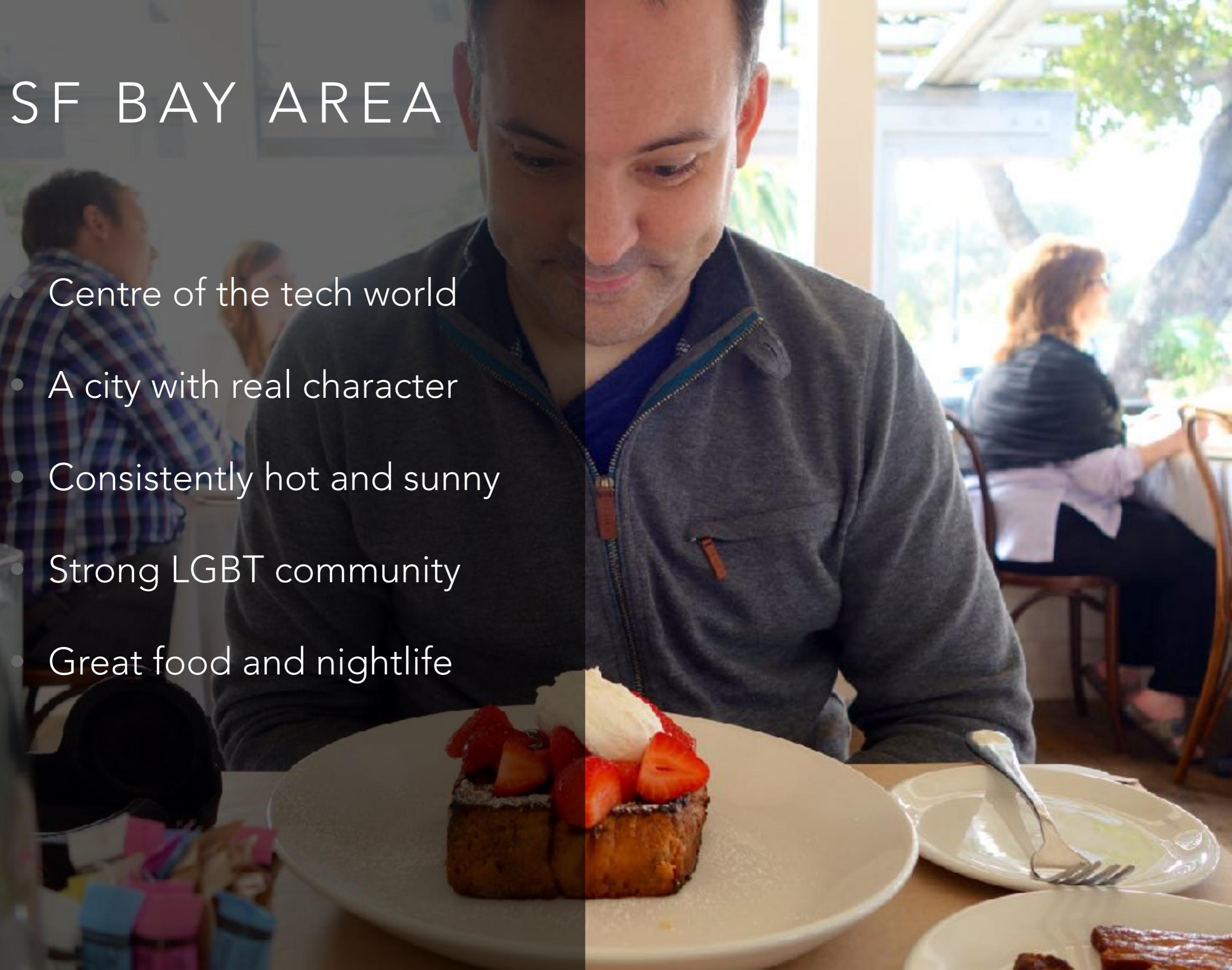
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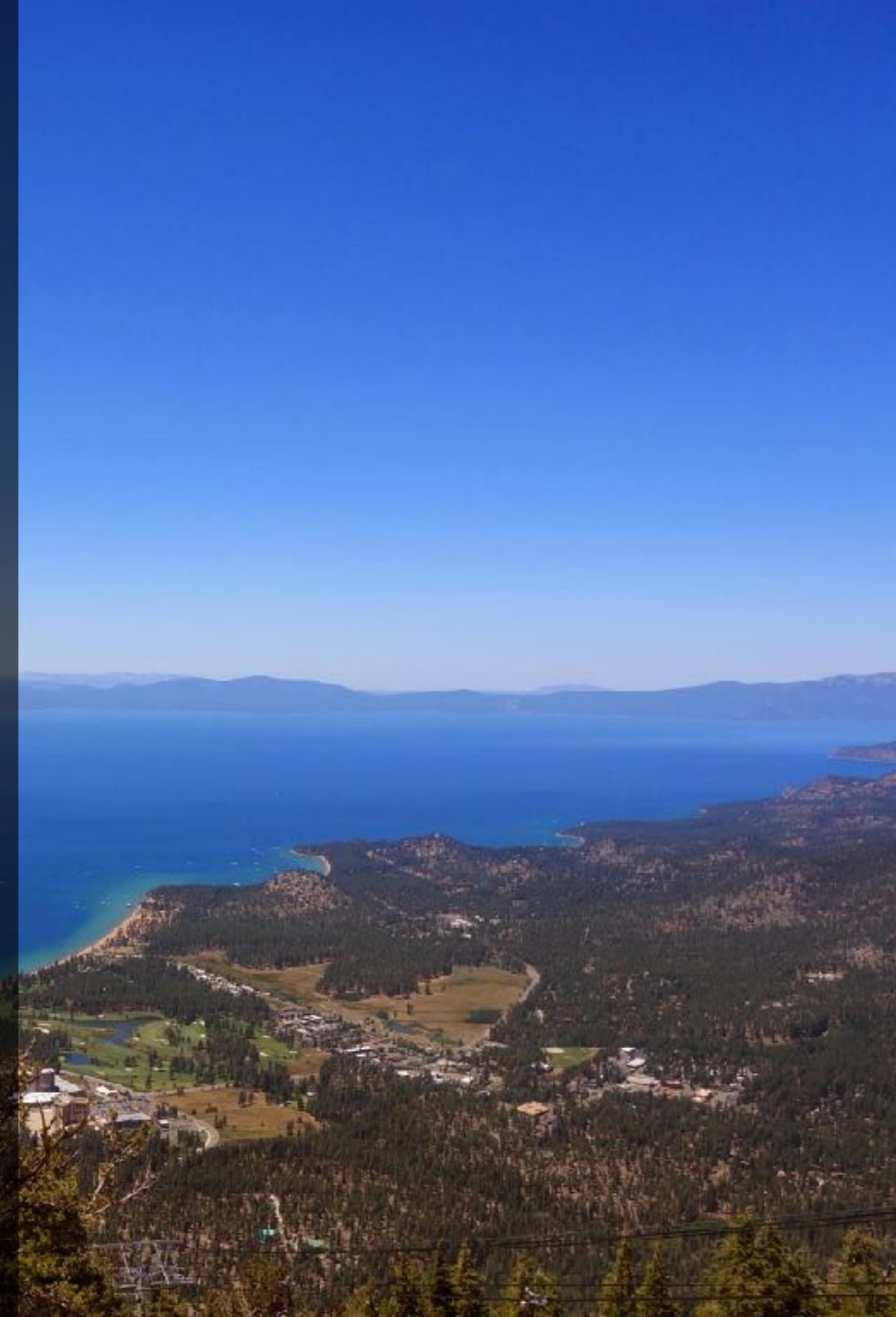
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- A city with real character
- Consistently hot and sunny
- Strong LGBT community
- Great food and nightlife
- Surfing, skiing, and hiking



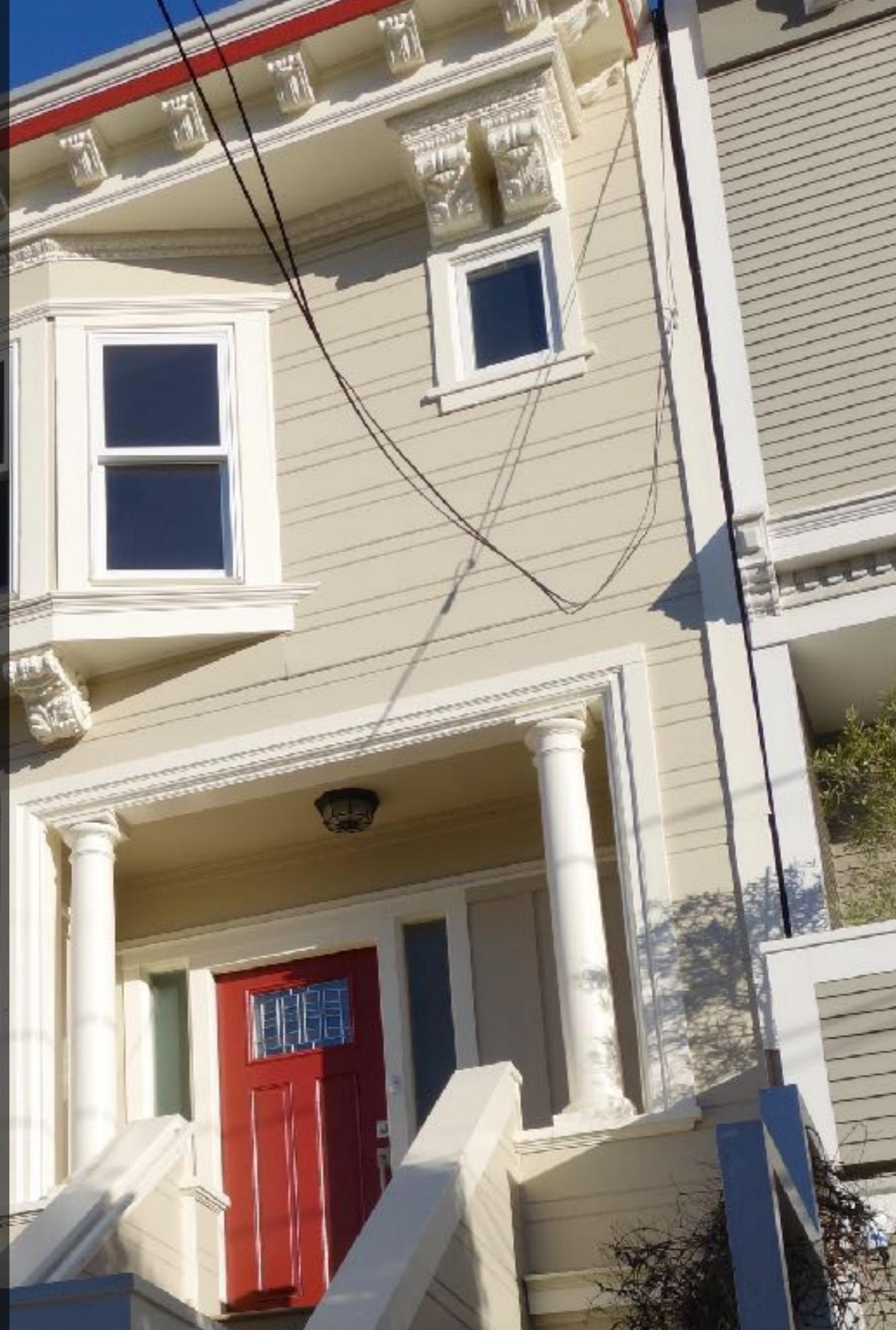
SF BAY AREA

- *Everybody works in tech*



SF BAY AREA

- *Everybody* works in tech
- Hideously expensive
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SF BAY AREA

- Everybody works in tech
- Hideously expensive
- Serious social inequality





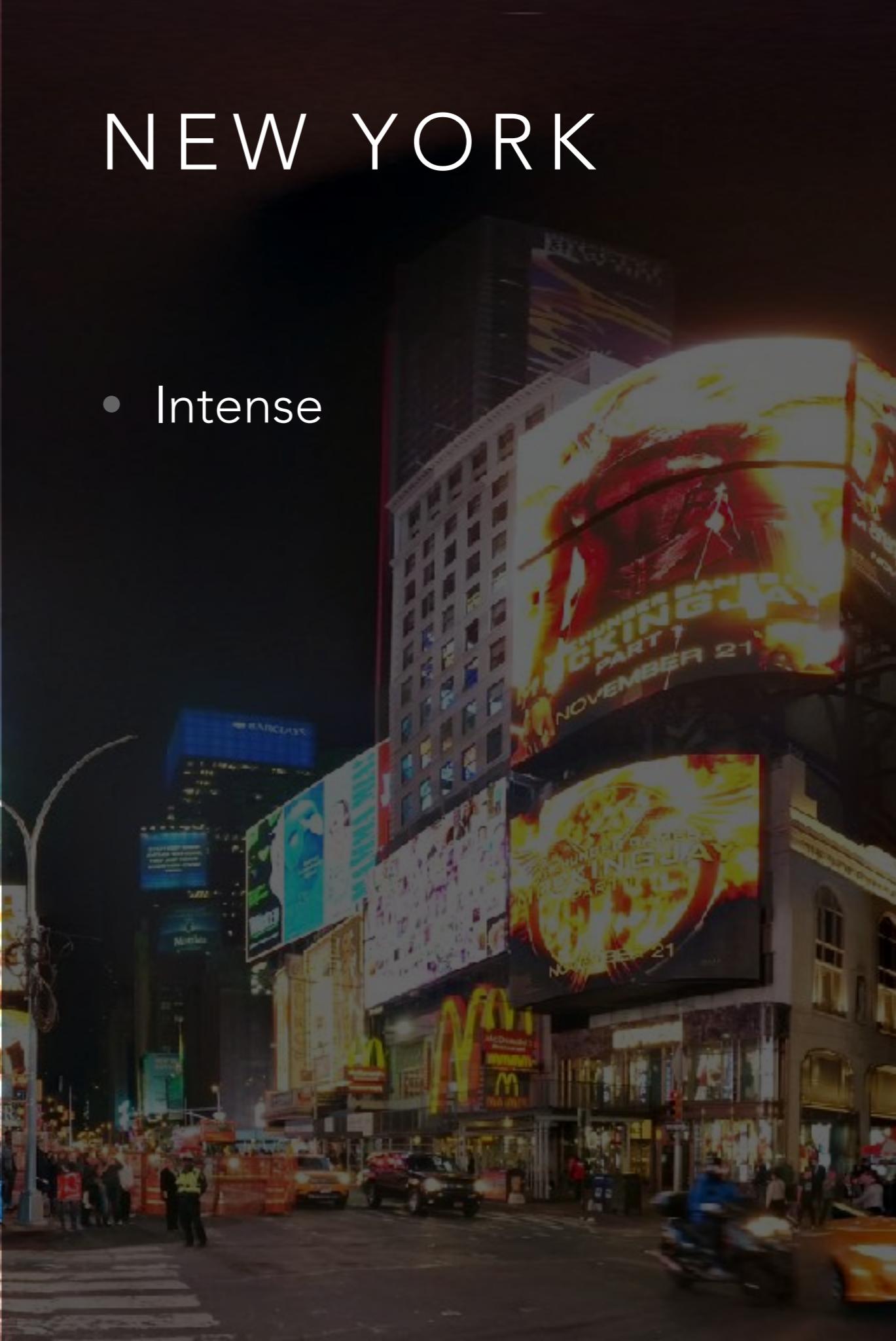
NEW YORK



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- Intense



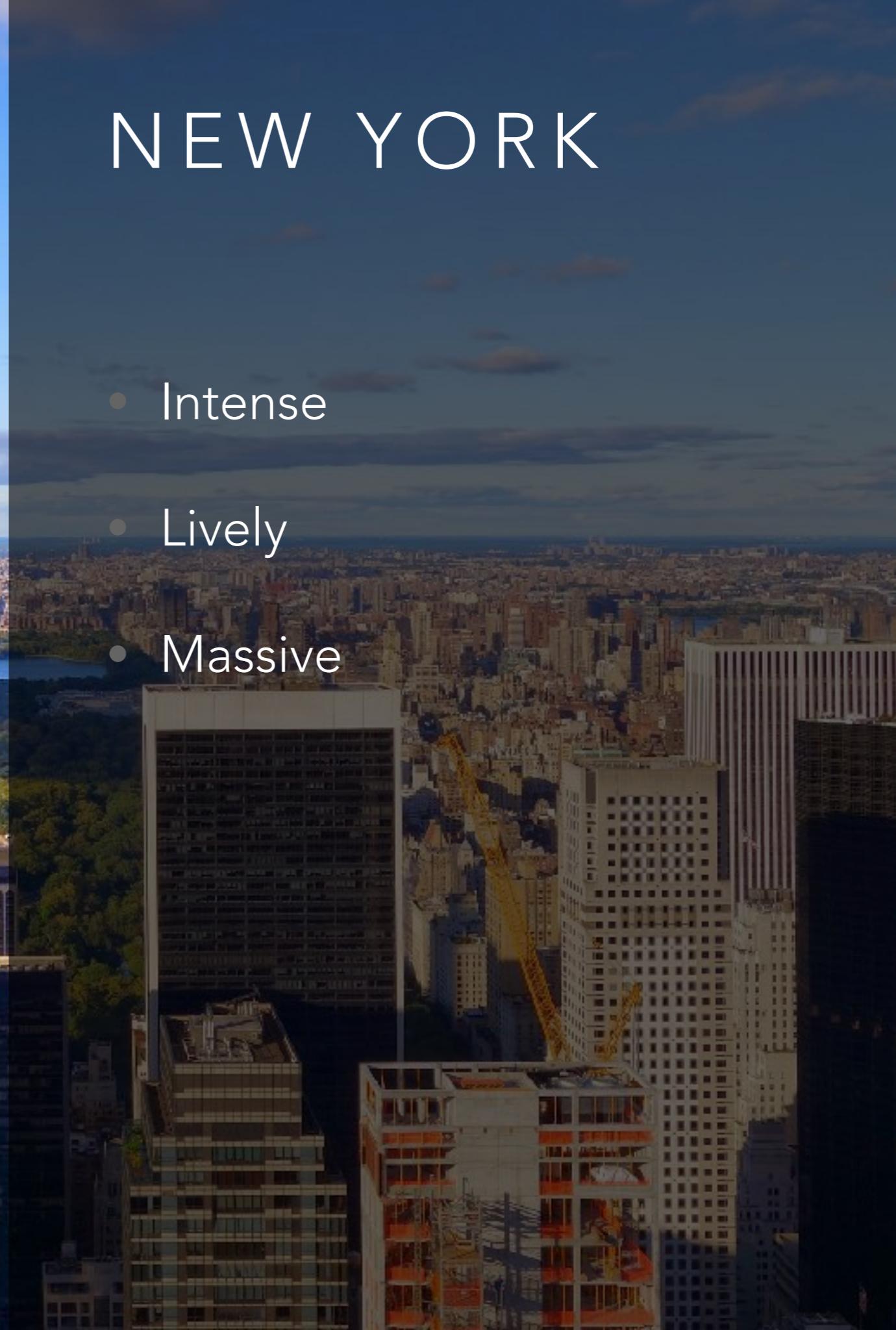


NEW YORK

- Intense
- Lively

An aerial photograph of the New York City skyline, featuring the dense urban landscape of Manhattan buildings and the green expanse of Central Park in the foreground.

NEW YORK

- Intense
 - Lively
 - Massive
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- A close-up, low-angle shot of several skyscrapers in New York City, showing their facades and some construction activity with a yellow crane visible between the buildings.

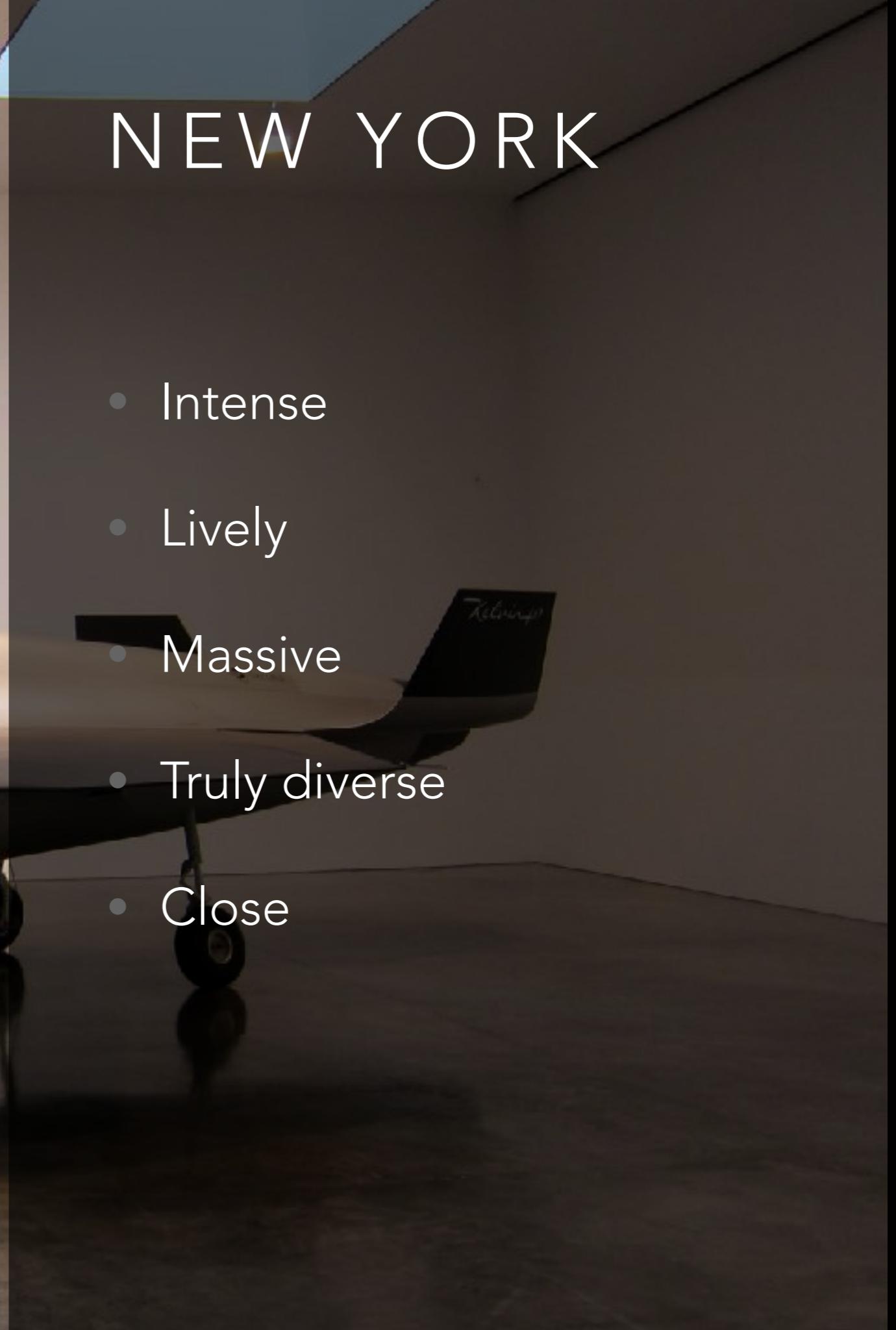


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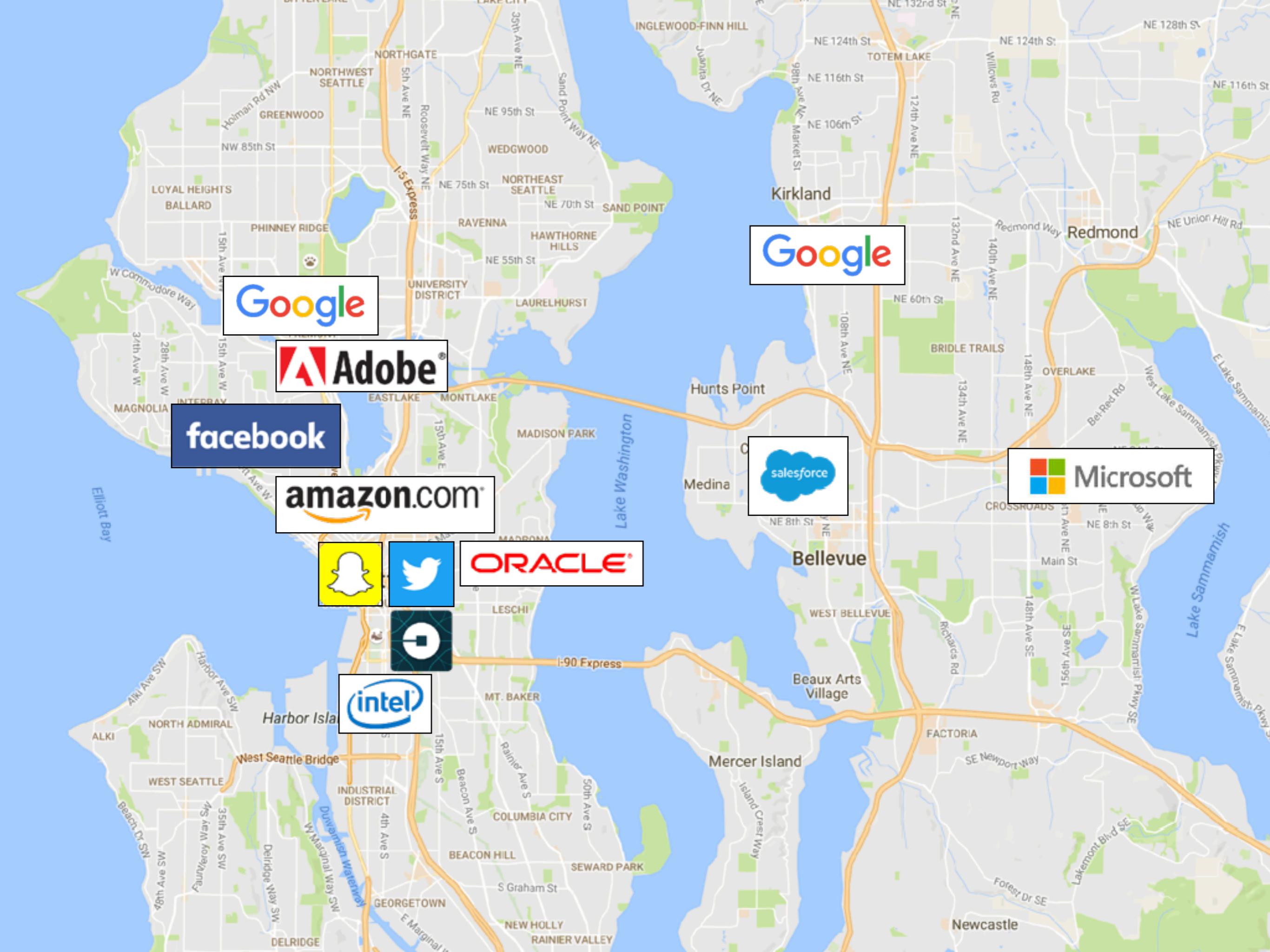
A wide-angle aerial photograph of the New York City skyline at sunset. The Hudson River is in the foreground, with a bridge stretching across it. The city buildings are silhouetted against a sky filled with warm, orange and yellow clouds. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright reflection on the water.

NEW YORK

- Intense
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- “Gritty”
- Really cold in winter



SEATTLE



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- Relaxed



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- Outdoorsy



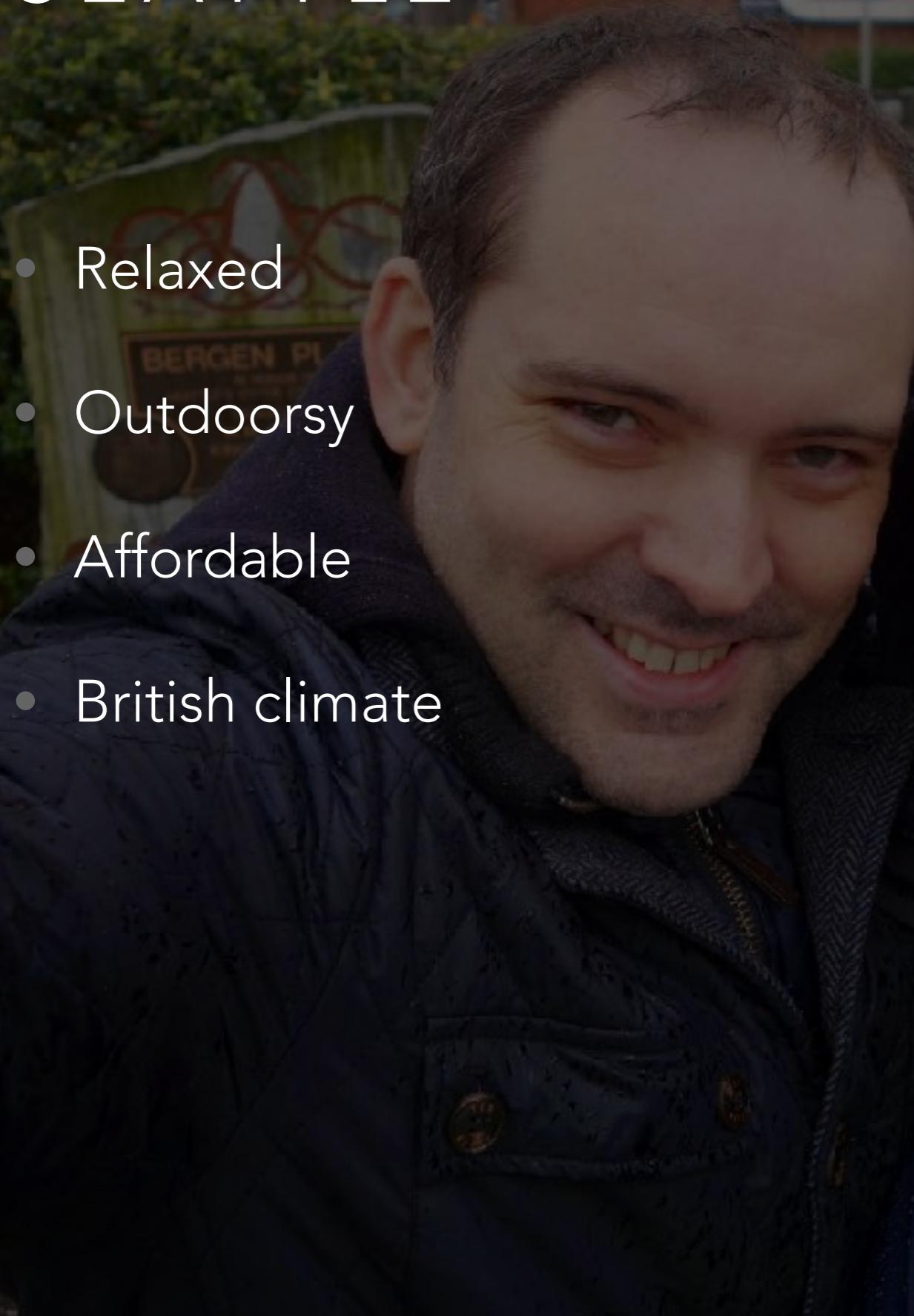
SEATTLE

- Relaxed
- Outdoorsy
- Affordable



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- Affordable
- British climate

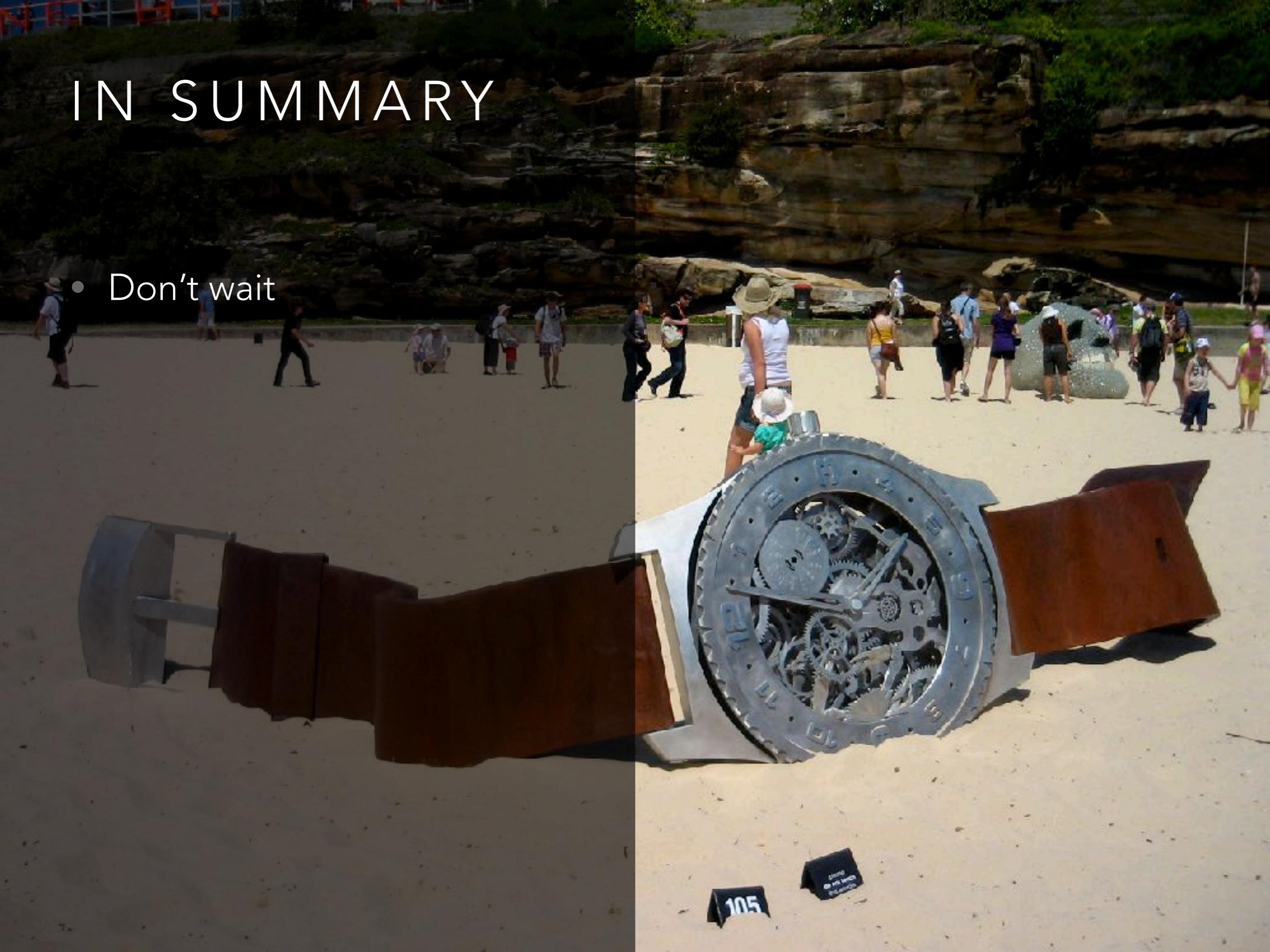


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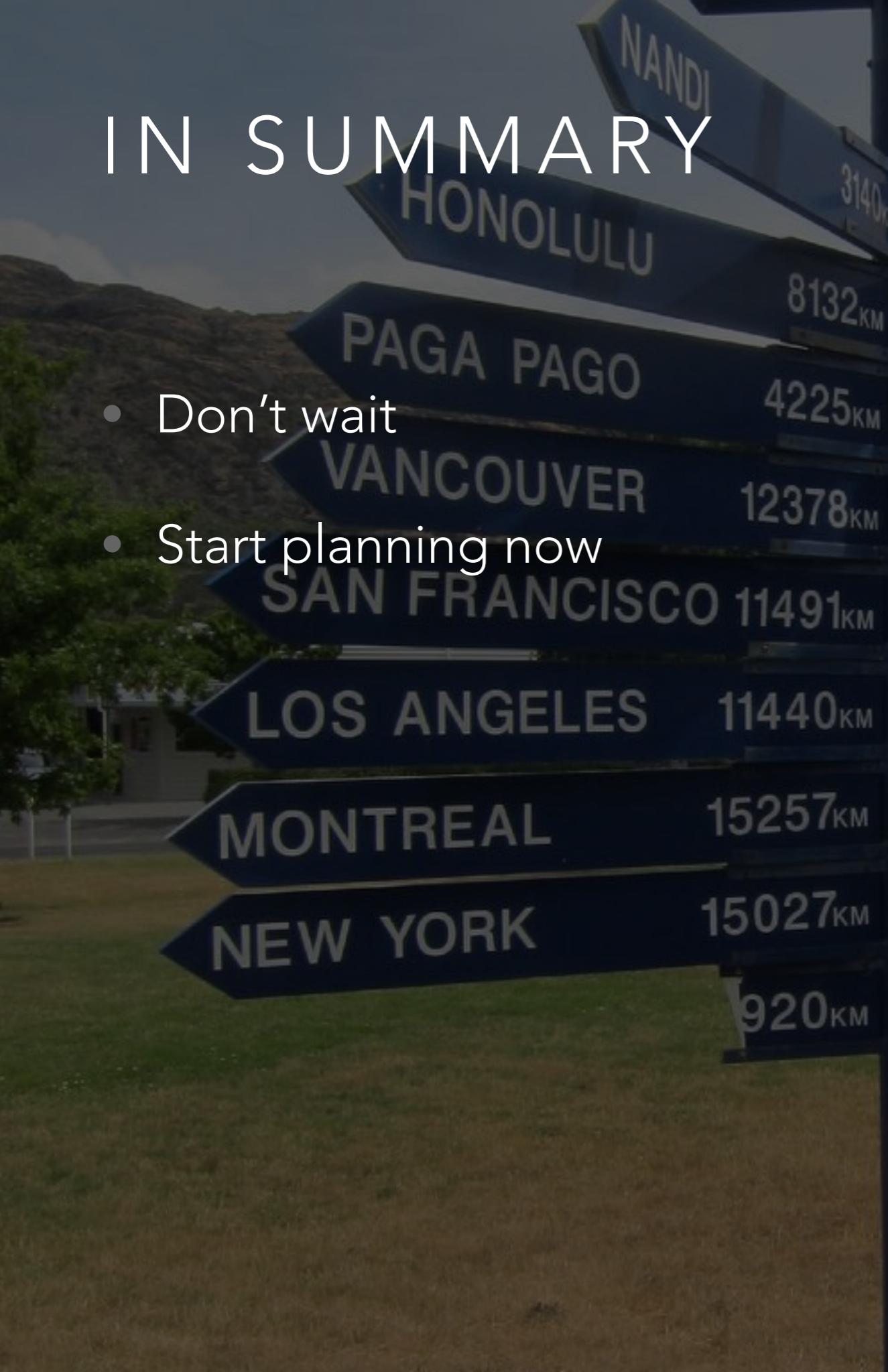
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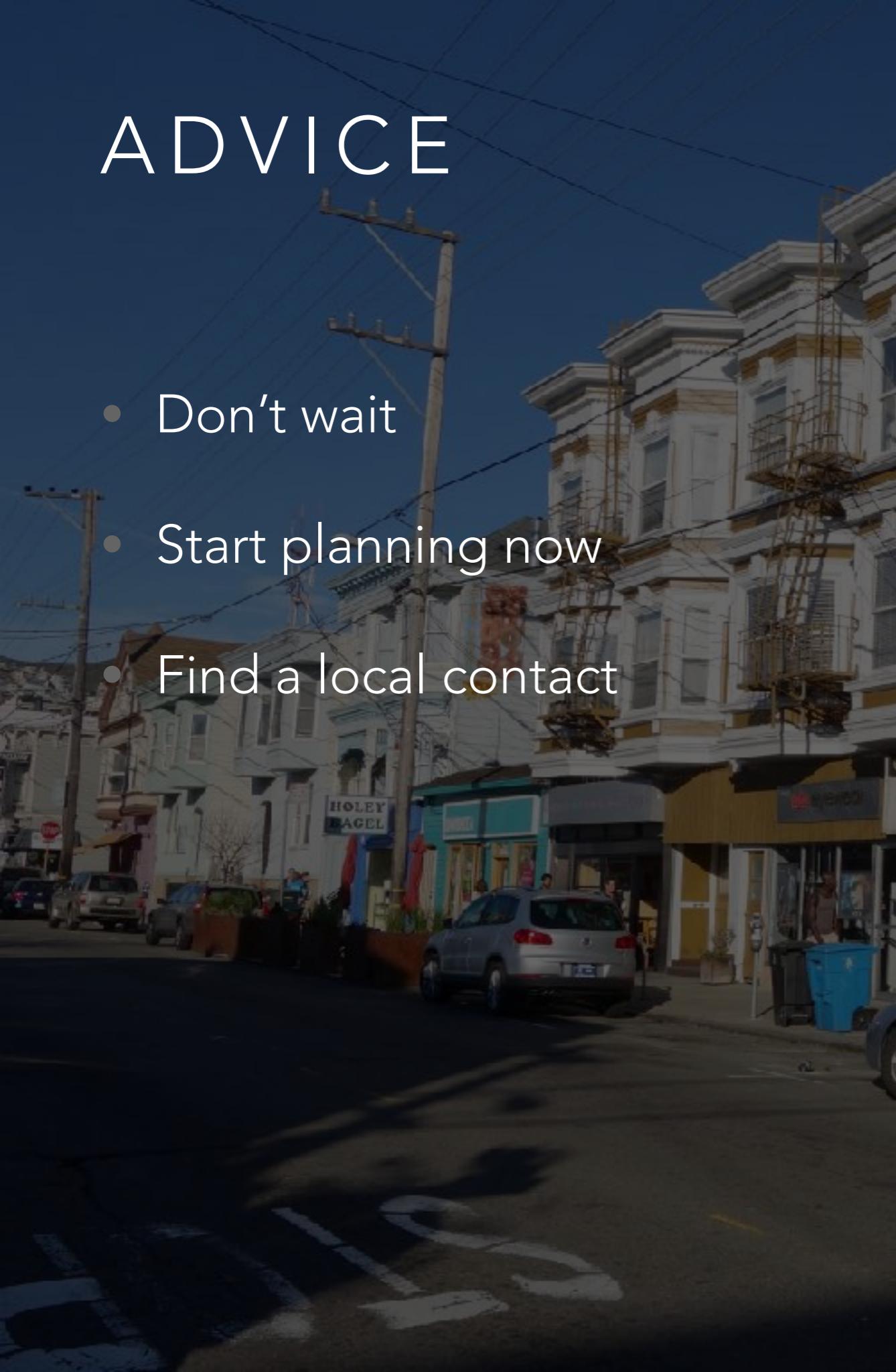
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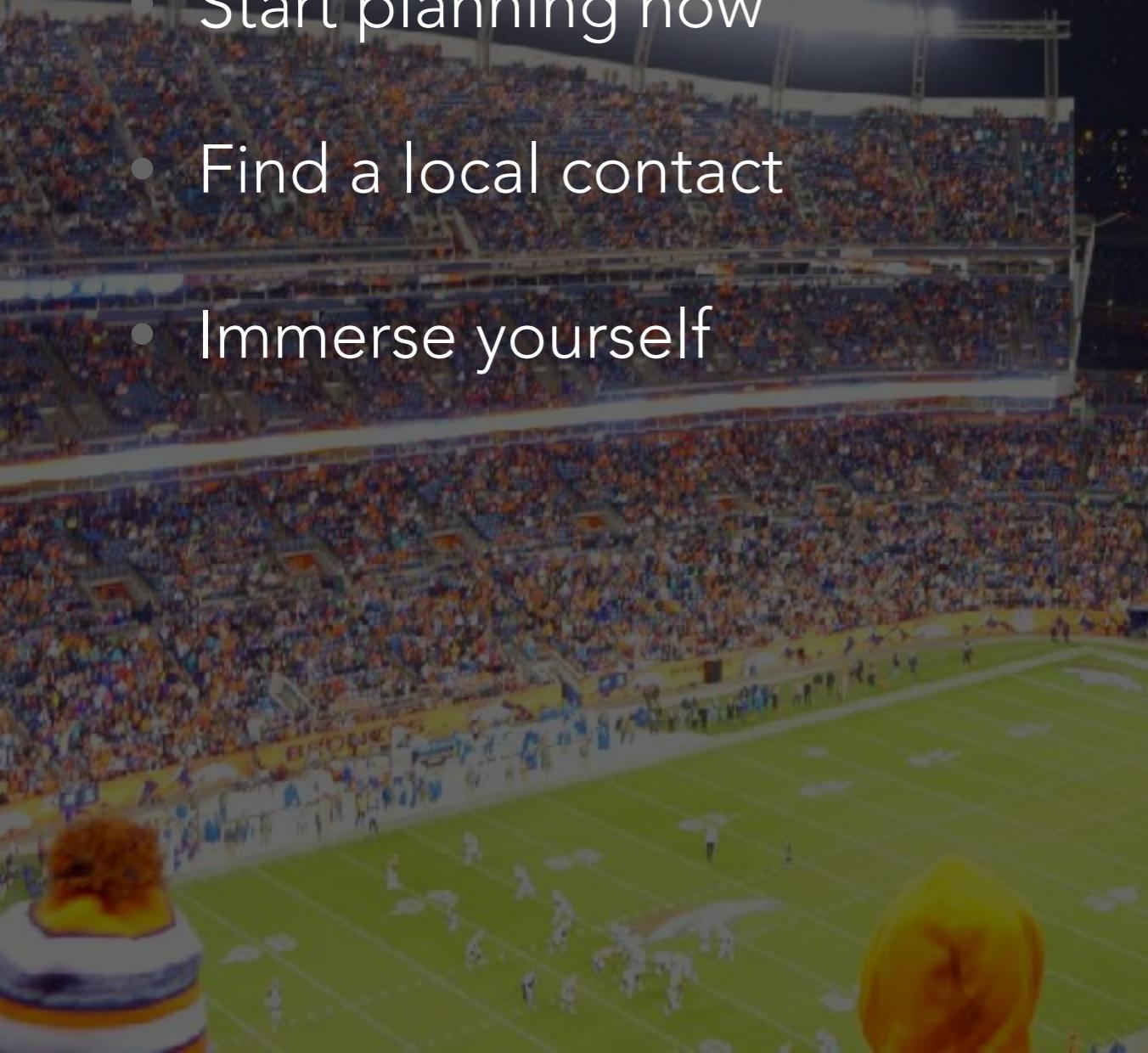
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- Make the most of it



THANK YOU



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