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### Welcome To My Travel Diary

Who am I:

Hello! My name is Lauryn Rivers and I am 22 years old. I was born and raised in Boston, Massachusetts but currently resided in Syracuse, New York.

My Story:

I got my love for traveling from my mom. Ever since I was a toddler, my mom would plan out and pack us up for road trips every summer. Whether it be to the next state over or going down the coast, my mom made sure our car was always full of gas and snacks were kept in the back seat. Years later, I got to travel farther and farther and eventually got to see cities outside of the U.S. (something I did not imagine I could do when I was younger). With my passport in hand, I am eager to explore the world again (once the pandemic is over). Until then, I will reminisce through this travel diary.

What is this Website:

This website is designed to act as a recording of the different cities and countries I have been to. I hope to encourage other people to explore new places through recording my experiences.

Seville Page:

Destination: Seville

Country: Spain

Language: Spanish

Date of Visit: June 2015

How Did I Get Here?: In the 10th grade, my school offered to lead a trip to Spain in order to visit the sister school there. It was my first trip out of the country without my mom coming.

Highlights:

Plaza De Espana - As the name suggests, the Plaza De Espana is a large plaza. I was able to walk around here on a bright sunny day, so I was able to take in all the beauty of the architecture. Water is also a big feature of the plaza with a canal running by and a large fountain in the center. There were a few street merchants on the plaza, so be sure to bring some cash for a cool souvenir.

Alcazar of Seville - This palace has both beautiful tile decorated rooms and large bright green gardens. The building was quite full of other tourists however, it is well worth the crowds. I enjoyed taking photos of the scene so I would make sure my phone was fully charged before heading home again

Favorite Food:

Churros - I ate these every single morning. Similar to fried dough, this delicacy is pretty common and is usually eaten with chocolate sauce.

Copenhagen Page:

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Destination: Copenhagen

Country: Denmark

Language: Danish and English

Date of Visit: December 2016

How Did I Get Here?: Because no one in my family wanted anything for christmas, we decided to go on a trip instead of buying gifts. After a quick google search, it turns out Copenhagen is quite popular at christmas? So we booked a flight and packed our bags.

Highlights:

Tivoli - Tivoli is an amusement park including various attractions including an aquarium, a light show, and tones of carnival rides. For christmas time, I found that the illuminations were the best part. At night, statues and trees are covered in christmas lights allowing visitors to wander around the art. Even the water is illuminated and music was playing over the speaker to add to the magical atmosphere. I think this place is best to visit with others as I saw many couples and families visiting the park.

Ny Carlsberg Glyptotek - This museum had many rooms filled with paintings, statues, and riches. It felt pretty empty when we went, but that may be because it is large. I spent hours here. My mother and I saw art from around the world including Egypt, Greece and of course Denmark.

Favorite Food:

Smorrebrod - The most common way I see people describe Smorrebrod is like a deconstructed sandwich. Just like sandwiches, smorrebrod involves bread and a variety of ingredients including (but not all together) salmon, herring, beef, cheese, shrimp, herbs, radishes, eggs, and more. Smorrebrod is a Danish special, so I recommend grabbing a few if you ever visit.