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in the country, and a plethora of ancient, medieval and contemporary sightseeing attractions.

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? Hurghada and its neighboring resort towns like Soma Bay and Sahl Hasheesh have literally hund

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and snorkeling destination, but if you prefer to spend time on the beach as opposed to under it, the

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pristine Red Sea islands

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easily accessible by boat from Hurghada's marina. Hurghada city proper has a bunch of restauran

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, whether you're a beginner looking to learn or an experienced kiter.

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Visit Siwa Oasis if you want:to go off the beaten track and explore Egypt?s remote desert and Grea

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Visit Nuweiba & Ras Shetan if you want:to stay at beach camps and disconnect from it all

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Go to the Black & White Desert if you want:to explore and camp in Egypt?s Western desert

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Deep in Egypt's Western Desert, between Farafra and Bahareya Oases, are Egypt's Black and White

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What makes the White Desert in particular so popular for campers are the massive white chalk form

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