

# THE COSTCO CONNECTION

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Costco member Burt Jones, owner of Secret Sea Visions, diving off of Tatawa Besar Island, Indonesia.

## Call of the wild

For some members, work means playing in the great outdoors 36

## PACKING 101: STRATEGIES TO SAVE YOU MONEY

**Buy a lightweight suitcase.** Choosing light, compact, expandable luggage gives you more room for your items.

**Wear—don't pack—your heaviest clothes.** Some people go to extremes and purchase "wearable luggage," with several deep pockets for stowing clothing and gear, sacrificing pride in exchange for luggage savings. If you're not willing to do that, at least wear your bulkiest sweater or jacket, plus your biggest shoes or boots, rather than packing them.

**Ship your bags.** Particularly if you are packing bulky equipment, such as skis or



golf gear, consider shipping those items to your destination. It may end up costing you less in the long run, and it eliminates a significant amount of hassle.

**Think small.** Costco member, stylist and former flight attendant Jo Jo Harder advises that most everything will fit into a small bag if you pare down to wardrobe bare essentials and keep your color scheme basic.—CJD