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MOTHER NATURE

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MONTY PYTHON  
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SHOW IN LONDON





# THE NEW ADVENTURERS

*In the world of extreme sports, creative adrenaline junkies  
are giving new meaning to the term “mash-up”*



sometimes hold the cable with my feet, or stand on my cousin's back. And of course you get to see the world beneath the water. It's hard to explain the feeling."

**WATER SKIING + SNORKELING  
= SUBWING**



CHRISTIAN HEEB/LAIF/REDUX (VOLCANO SURFING)



**VOLCANO SURFING**

- + **Requirements:** Modified snowboard, jumpsuit, ash slope, faulty survival instincts.
- + **Best place to do it:** The Cerro Negro volcano, Nicaragua.
- + **Origins:** In 2004, Darryn Webb, the Australian founder of the Bigfoot Hostel in León, Nicaragua, started toying with the idea of hurtling down the side of the nearby Cerro Negro. He experimented with everything from mattresses to mini-fridges before settling on a steel-reinforced snowboard. Riders—who can avail themselves of special Bigfoot packages—either sit or stand on the boards, and have been clocked at speeds in excess of 50 mph.
- + **The experience:** "It is an incredible thrill," says Joshua Berman, co-author of the Moon Nicaragua travel guide and one of the first people to try the sport. "First, you hike up and see all these mountains. Then you point yourself downhill and get going. You're avoiding sulfur vents, rocks flying the whole way down. And, yes, this is the youngest and most active volcano in Nicaragua, so there's that element to it, too."

**SNOWBOARDING + VOLCANO = VOLCANO SURFING**

