



The 5th Element

Motorcycle. Adventure. Iceland

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- Riding the Icelandic backcountry trails: hundreds of kilometres of extraordinary off-road scenery, captured here by photographer Marco Campelli

“Here, then, is Beauty, otherwise known as the fifth element. Like Earth, Water, Air and Fire, it can be found everywhere on this island in its purest form. Nature is an artist and Iceland is her masterpiece”.

Iceland is, in some respects, the most extreme country on Earth. In this book, Iceland sets the stage for a trail-biking adventure of a lifetime. Giulietta Cozzi and Luca Viglio, from half-mag.com, set out to ride the trails across the island with a BMW R 1200 GS Rallye and a BMW G 310 GS as travelling companions – adventure-ready motorbikes, chosen for a trip in a land that is both volcanically and geologically alive. Letting the GS race through the Icelandic trails was an experience of the pure and absolute pleasure of motorbike travel.

The journey took Giulietta and Luca through both pristine and wild places; there was no room for carelessness. Every decision had to be taken with extreme care and nothing left to chance; as the Icelandic proverb states, “Iceland does not tolerate idiots”.

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