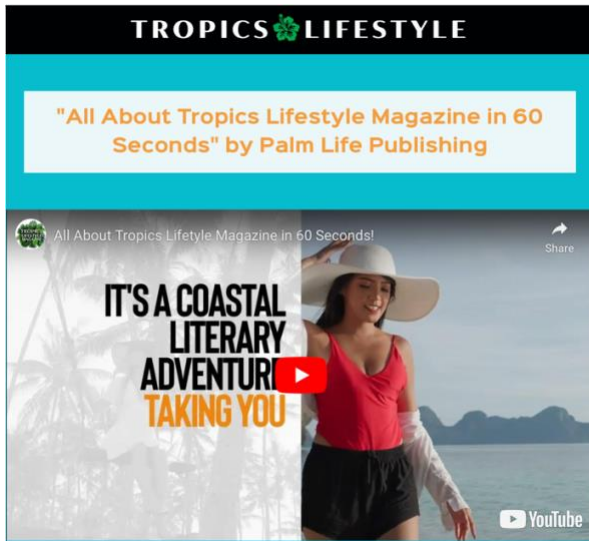




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Happy Birthday Pickapeppa!

THE MAKER OF JAMAICA'S WORLD-FAMOUS PEPPER SAUCE ENTERS ITS SECOND CENTURY OF TANTALIZING TASTEBOUDS EVERYWHERE



By Lisa A. Bastian, TropicsLifestyle.com

WAY UP IN COOL, FORESTED hills nestled in the middle of Jamaica, one of the most obscure but gastronomically important factories in the world operates against a backdrop of lush, panoramic views.

SURFING DOGS RIDE WAVES AND CAPTURE HEARTS

HANG 201 WORLD-FAMOUS SURF DOG SURF-A-THON FUNDRAISES FOR PETS WHILE CELEBRATING SURFING CANINES AND THE LOVING HUMAN-DOG CONNECTION



By Lisa A. Bastian

DOGS ARE ADORABLE ANIMALS with such diverse personalities. For many, yapping at leaves, playing Fetch or simply sleeping with their pet parents are their favorite activities.

But for a small cadre of adventurous canines, the relatively new water sport of dog surfing is by far their Reason for Living.

In September 2006, the Helen Woodward Animal Center (HWAC) of Rancho Santa



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Home
★ Furniture: 33 Garden Stools
Enjoy a brief history about this ancient little seat from China, then view over 30 garden stools perfect for coastal and tropical spaces, both indoors and outside.



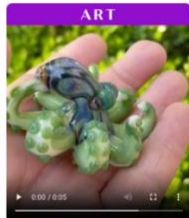
● Lighting: Bubbles & Waves!
Just for you! We put together an eclectic collection of lovely lamps and lighting fixtures evoking happy oceanic bubbles and undulating ocean waves.



▲ History of Rattan & Wicker
The truth about the history of wicker and rattan just may surprise you. In fact, these natural materials are embedded into the story of civilization itself, and now are seeing a resurgence in popularity worldwide.



Happy 100th Birthday Pickapeppa!
The world-famous Pickapeppa Sauce celebrated its 100th birthday last year. Read all about this delicious condiment, its sister sauces, and the company that makes it in the cool mountains of Jamaica.



ART
▲ Meet the Glass Octopus Whisperer
Oceanic artist Marilyn Ure creates whimsical tiny octopi collectibles (watch video, above) with her exceptional glassblowing skills and vivid imagination. Legions of fans can't get enough of her jewelry and sculptures.



MEET THE GLASS OCTOPUS WHISPERER

OCEANIC ARTIST MARILYN URE CREATES WHIMSICAL, TINY OCTOPI COLLECTIBLES WITH HER EXCEPTIONAL GLASS-BLOWING SKILLS AND VIVID IMAGINATION. LEGIONS OF FANS CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF HER JEWELRY AND SCULPTURES



OCTOPI LOVE (L to R): These four borosilicate glass kraken pendants and ballpoint pen adorned with a baby octopus are just some of the hundreds of treasures sold in the artist's two online stores.

THROUGHOUT HISTORY, many talented artists have tapped into a muse, that special someone who provides high-octane levels of inspiration.

For glassblowing artist Marilyn Ure of Utah, her beloved muse is not human, but rather a sea creature that is just as powerfully influential on her work: the octopus.

Over the years, she has created thousands of unique and colorful art pieces that delight people of all ages worldwide.

Marilyn is genuinely in awe of this blue-blooded, aquatic invertebrate powered by three hearts that is basically a mollusk without a shell.