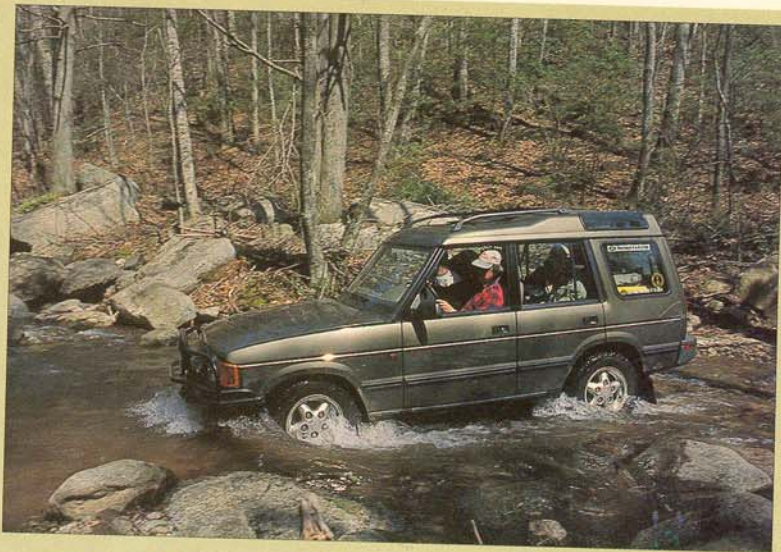


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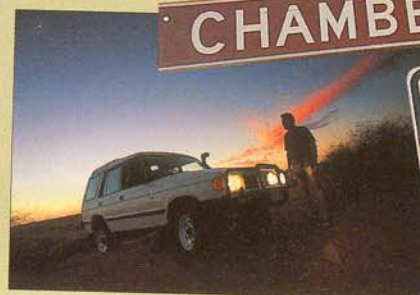
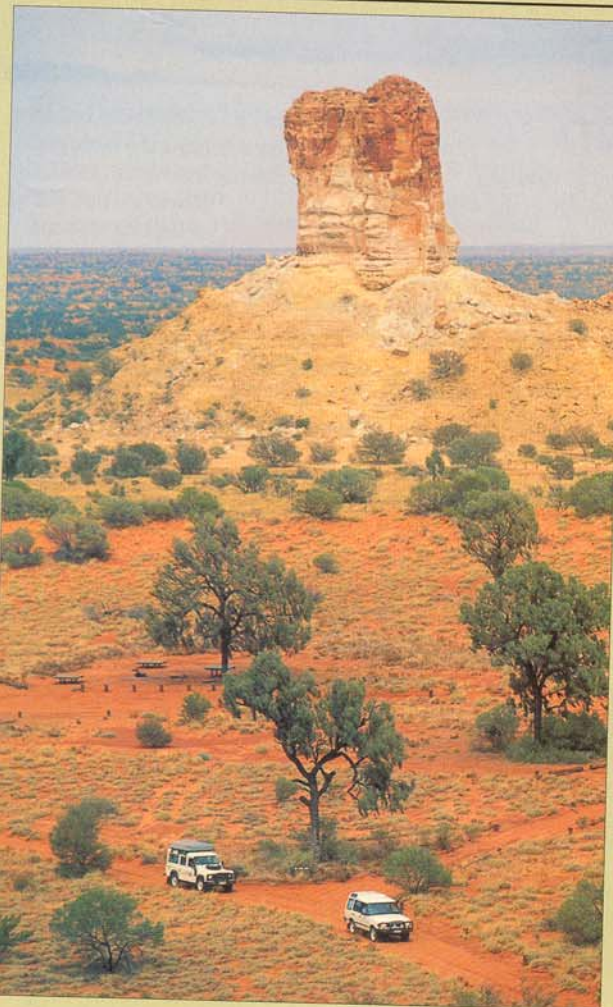
- **Where is it?** Eastern Europe – about as far east as you can get before Europe stops being Europe. Romania, getting back on its feet after the brutal dictatorship of Ceausescu, is a unique country, mostly untouched by the 21st century. It is truly wild and, away from the cities, it's like the rest of the continent must have been 100 years ago. It's also the home of the original Dracula myth.
- **Who organises it?** Colin Shaw, a Land Rover enthusiast living in Romania, who has been running these tours for six years, ever since he brought a 110 over from the UK.
- **What's the holiday?** Exploring Romania by Land Rover. Choose from escorted tours, being driven in Roving Romania's 110, or bring your own Land Rover for a purer off-road adventure. Roving Romania doesn't operate a set itinerary, and each tour can be customised to your needs. The idea is to get away from the obvious bits of the country and see some of the real Romania.
- **What are the Land Rovers?** A 1986 110 County Station Wagon with a retrofit 300Tdi, running on BF Goodrich TracEdge tyres. Trakkers seats are fitted for comfort.
- **Do I get to drive?** Not on the escorted tours, but if you bring your own vehicle then Romania's vast choice of off-road terrain can be all yours.
- **Where do I sleep?** Depends on the tour, but accommodation tends to be with village families in farmhouses, rural guesthouses, or maybe the occasional Transylvanian castle...
- **How much, and what's included?** Prices depend on what each tour involves, but Roving Romania quotes £570 per person as a starting price for escorted tours. Travel, food and accommodation are all included.
- **Anything else to do?** Anything you want, really. Hiking, bird watching, visiting castles, dodging vampires – tours can incorporate your own interests.
- **Who do I call?** Roving Romania, Str Paul Richter Nr 1, Ap 1, 2200 Brasov, Romania. Tel: (00 40) 268 472718. www.discoverromania.ro



Wild, remote and virtually unspoilt, Romania is like Europe 100 years ago. And that means superb off-road opportunities

AUSTRALIA

- **Where is it?** Well, it's the world's biggest island, and its smallest continent. But whichever way you look at it, it's huge: Australia is so big that you can take your pick of climates and weather, and go there. Obviously, you aren't going to be able to cover the whole of this amazing country in a week, so choose one stunning area and go for it.
 - **Who organises it?** You do. There aren't many guided tours in Australia using Land Rovers, and the majority of four-wheel drive holidays are self-drive, but this gives you the chance to go wherever you want, whenever you want.
 - **What's the holiday?** Put simply, it's touring Oz by Land Rover. Pick up a Land Rover from any of the dozens of hire outfits – most use 110s – and go wherever the hell you want. Popular destinations include the Simpson Desert, the Canning Stock Route and the tropical north (including the run to Cape York).
- It's a driving holiday, with lots of off-road routes. If you don't want to organise your own routes, join a tag-along – ie, follow a guide, using your own vehicle.
- **Where do I sleep?** Up to you, really – but plenty of hired Land Rovers come with a roof tent attached.
 - **How much, and what's included?** Prices vary, but Aussie Trax do fully kitted out Defenders for about £60 per day. Land Wide rents a Td5 Defender for about £500 for seven days. Travel Hire does Defenders, but also hires Freelanders, Discoverys and Range Rovers if you're after something different.
 - **Who do I call?** Aussie Trax, PO Box 1471, Hervey Bay 4655, Queensland, Australia. Tel: (00 6) 1 741 244 433. www.aussietrax.com.au
Land Wide, PO Box 37, Appin, NSW 2560, Australia. Tel: (00 6) 1 409 030 027. www.landwide.com.au
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