



Features Editor — *National Geographic Traveller* (UK), maternity leave cover

APL Media, based in Kentish Town, seeks a talented, enthusiastic features editor, keen to work across print and online with the award-winning team at *National Geographic Traveller* (UK).

The features editor has the responsibility of supporting the editorial team in developing, managing and executing the editorial vision of *National Geographic Traveller* (UK), in line with the wider brand strategy. Working across print and online, the ideal candidate will be able to deliver compelling, constantly evolving content across all platforms.

This includes commissioning and editing features and sections across the print magazine and the website, acting as a key liaison with the brand's digital team, and adapting print features for the website, nationalgeographic.com/travel

Role:

- Assisting the senior editors, managing editor and deputy editor
- Delivering consistent editorial excellence in print and online
- Identifying, championing and responding to the needs of our audience
- Discovering and nurturing high-quality content producers across all disciplines and platforms
- Liaising with the subbing, design, production and sales departments
- Understanding the competitive landscape and continuously monitoring all relevant media
- Investigating and developing existing and new content ideas
- Being an advocate for *National Geographic Traveller* (UK) internally and externally, and representing the brand at events in the UK and overseas
- Ensuring production deadlines are met in accordance with agreed schedules and that expenditure is within agreed budgets

Key skills & requirements:

- Excellent written communication skills and proven feature writing experience
- Passion for upholding the style and standards of the *National Geographic Traveller* (UK) brand
- An in-depth knowledge and enthusiasm for travel media and a strong contact book
- Experience commissioning and working with freelance writers

- Aptitude for building and maintaining working relationships with tourism brands and travel PRs
- Managing a content calendar, commissioning on-brand and on-trend features for the year ahead
- Strong time management skills. Able to organise a team and resources to meet deadlines
- Ability to prioritise workload across several projects and varied levels of activities. Using initiative to step in where necessary, and judgement to manage and deploy available resources to best effect
- Contributing to digital activities — using CMS to upload and edit content, having knowledge of SEO techniques and an interest in digital marketing
- Identifying new opportunities and approaches. Championing new ideas and initiatives
- Creating a vibrant, engaging culture for the team. Encouraging calculated risk-taking and seeking different perspectives that challenge the status quo, while also assessing how ideas will work pragmatically
- Having a genuine interest in the wider work and mission of APL Media, caring about our brands and the development of the people who work here
- Public speaking. Representing the brand at events, panel talks and conferences, in the UK and overseas

Key responsibilities:

- Commissioning and editing cover stories
- Commissioning destination features
- Editing supplements where required
- Writing and adapting copy across print and digital alongside the digital team
- Attending meetings with *National Geographic* where required
- Liaising with design on layout amends
- Managing the assistant editor and assisting their development
- Ensuring the budget sheet is filled in and invoices are filed correctly
- Liaising with the picture editor for feature shoots
- Creating and contributing original online content
- Digital headlines
- Signing off newspaper inserts / supplements across the wider APL Media portfolio

What we offer:

- A dynamic and creative work environment
- Opportunities for professional development and skills growth
- The chance to work with a prestigious and globally recognised brand portfolio
- Hybrid working (3 days in the office and 2 days working from home)
- Medicash healthcare plan, including discounted gym membership and mental health support

- One volunteer charity day per year
- One-week office closure over Christmas
- Regular social events
- Cyclesaver scheme
- Regular training sessions and development opportunities

Hours & working pattern:

- Full-time, 9am-5.30pm
- Hybrid working (three office / two home)
- Permanent role
- Start date: ASAP
- Deadline for application: 13 April 2026

What next?

If you're interested in this position, please send a copy of your CV with a cover letter stating what makes you a suitable candidate for this position. Please note that only successful candidates will be notified.

How to apply: via email to careers@aplmedia.co.uk

About us

APL Media Limited is a fast-growing, medium-sized content agency and publisher based in Kentish Town, London, with more than 25 years of experience in travel and lifestyle content for consumer and trade audiences. We're home to a friendly, talented and long-established team of over 125 people.

Our titles include:

- *National Geographic Traveller* (UK)
- *National Geographic Traveller* (UK) – *The Collection*
- *Living360*
- Newspaper inserts for *The London Standard*, *The Guardian* and *The Telegraph*
- *Postcards* (trade)
- *ASTA Worldwide Destination Guide* (trade)
- Travel Media Awards
- Travel Media Awards Step Up internship scheme