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From Gerti Deutsch to Franziska Stünkel: 20 female photographers on the move

The publication *Neugier, Mut und Abenteuer: Fotografinnen auf Reisen* brings together 168 photographs—both in black and white and in color—taken between the 1920s and today. The featured photographers, from Germany, Austria, and Switzerland, offer unique perspectives on everyday life, cultural landscapes, and the human experience across continents and decades.

Since the early twentieth century, female photographers have visited distant destinations with their cameras, often under strenuous conditions. This book reflects the diversity of photographic approaches: for some, a journalistic assignment prompted them to travel to foreign countries, while others worked on freelance artistic projects or documented archaeological excavations or doomed sites.

The photographs provide insight into different countries—from Iran, Japan, and South Africa to Cuba and Tunisia—convey impressions of the everyday life of their respective populations, and reveal the beauty of local landscapes. The images also speak to the individual aesthetics of these German-speaking female photographers, as well as their recurring interest in certain subjects across generations. Finally, it becomes clear how fluid the boundary can be between commissioned photography and artistic photographs created for personal projects.

Some of the images were taken during research trips or archaeological missions, preserving places and stories at risk of disappearing. Others stem from long-term artistic explorations developed across continents and years, driven by personal vision and creative independence.

Artists:

Monika von Boch, Marianne Breslauer, Gerti Deutsch, Lotte Errell, Barbara Klemm, Herlinde Koelbl, Lisette Model, Inge Morath, Elisabeth Neudörfl, Helga Paris, Evelyn Richter, Alice Schalek, Fee Schlapper, Jordis Antonia Schlösser, Anne Schönharting, Elfriede Stegemeyer, Ursula Schulz-Dornburg, Annemarie Schwarzenbach, Ré Soupault, Franziska Stünkel.

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