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32 ENVIABLE INBOUND MARKETING EXAMPLES



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INTRODUCTION

Are you feeling the itch to refresh your inbound marketing campaigns, but unsure where to begin? Inbound is all about publishing helpful and interesting content your audience wants to consume, but with the infinite number of approaches and ever-increasing creative standards, the possibilities of how your campaigns might take shape can be overwhelming.

To help get the inspiration flowing, we've collected 32 examples of truly enviable inbound marketing. Whether you want to rethink your approach to social media, email, or blogging, we've curated top-notch examples to expand your thinking. Or, perhaps you are ready to experiment with a new medium for your content. Explore the video and microsite chapters to discover what the leaders in multimedia marketing are creating to share their story.

While we've included the industry each enviable brand is operating in, don't stay confined within your vertical. This guide is all about taking a step outside of your niche to expand how you think about inbound marketing.

But before we dive in, a warning. While some may say that copying is the highest form of flattery, see these examples as a means to your content genius, not the exact playbook. Keep your own persona and product in mind, and let the overarching strategy behind each example prompt your brainstorming. You might be surprised how an international supermarket could inspire your insurance firm's marketing, or how a backpack retailer could make you rethink content for your SaaS startup.

The image features the words "SOCIAL MEDIA" in a large, bold, white, sans-serif font. The text is centered horizontally and spans across the middle of the frame. The background is a vertical-grained wooden texture. A diagonal graphic element, consisting of a teal-to-purple gradient, cuts across the bottom right corner, partially overlapping the text.

SOCIAL MEDIA



STARBUCKS



Starbucks was an early adopter of social media, and today continues to use beautiful visuals to give customers the longing for a warm cup of coffee. But aside from their photography, Starbucks' Facebook page includes a myriad of extra features including job postings, contests, and even an international app. Can't get that latte out of your head? Next time you're on the go, test out the store locator embedded right in their Facebook page.



Give thanks for the healthy kids in your life, and give to those who are not.

PLEASE **GIVE**
to help them live.



St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
Hospital · Medical Research

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ST. JUDE

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital understands the power of social media to raise awareness for a charitable cause. St. Jude's Facebook page features a "Donate" button directly on their cover photo to make the process as easy as possible. To encourage donating, St. Jude uses touching stories and photos of the children they support to connect givers with the heart of the organization.



1,212 likes 5d

chobani Saying 🍌🍌 to Thursday with a spinach + mango + chia + Chobani smoothie. #yum #madewithchobani

cathy_lemontreedwelling So delicious!!

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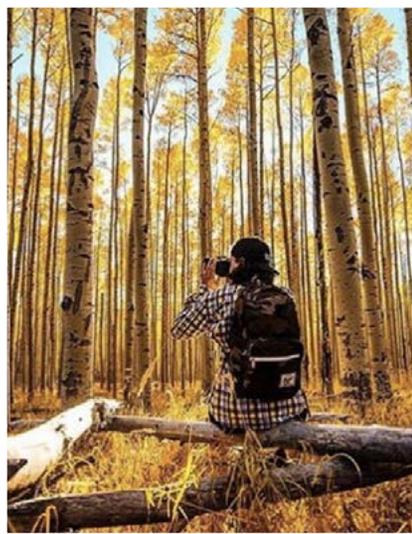
ollvianye @ericanye811 yum?

beth_poler_ Looks yummy!!!!



CHOBANI

When you have an extensive catalog of products, the potential for visual marketing is endless. But what about when you specialize in one product? Chobani is an excellent example of diverse photography for a single, simple item: a spoonful of yogurt. Check out Chobani's Instagram to browse colorful photos of fruit salads, pineapple smoothies, and frosted pumpkin cookies. You too might begin experimenting with all the tasty possibilities of greek yogurt.



HERSCHEL SUPPLY CO.

There is nothing quite like Herschel Supply's Instagram account. Between mountaintop views and chaotic city streets, each one of their breathtaking photos communicates a story of travel and exploration. The best part? Most of Herschel Supply's posts come directly from their customers. By tracking the #WellTravelled hashtag, Herschel Supply has cultivated a community of followers and adventure-seeking artists. Warning: Overwhelming feelings of wanderlust may result immediately after following.

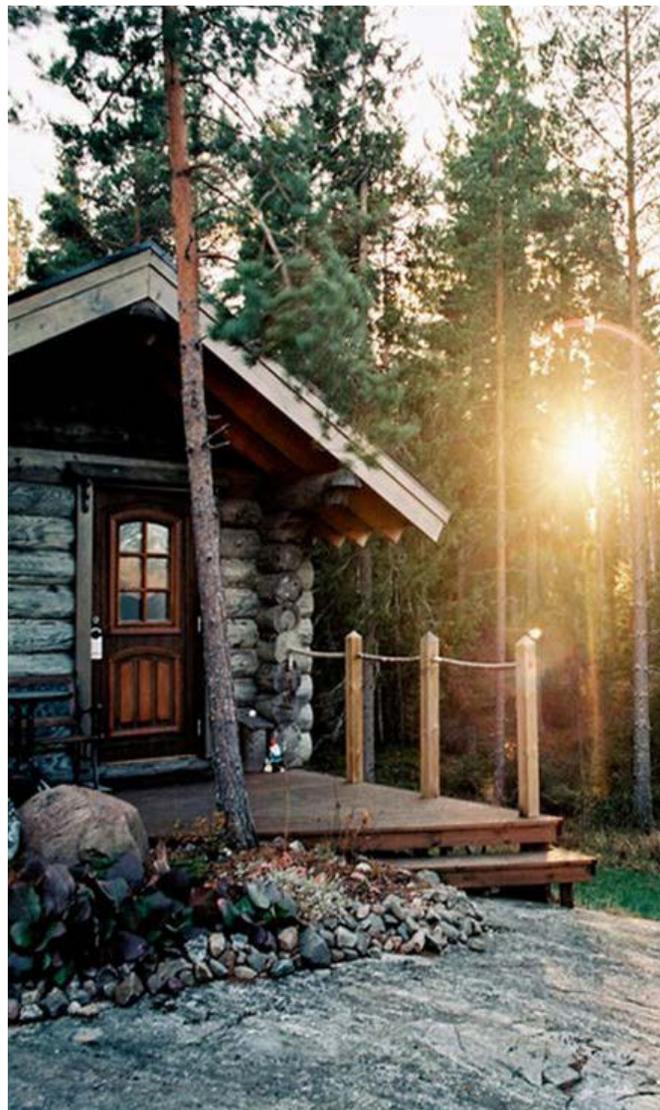


101
THINGS
TO DO WITH
YOUR KIDS
BESIDES
WATCHING TV



SEWICKLEY ACADEMY

Even if you're new to the inbound marketing space, you've probably figured out the cardinal rule: Be helpful. As opposed to the intrusive nature of outbound marketing, inbound gains the trust of potential customers by creating content the audience actually wants. Check out the Pinterest account of Sewickley Academy, a college preparatory school in Pennsylvania, for an impressive collection of helpful content geared toward helping parents through one of the hardest decisions they have to make: where to send their child to school.



L.L.BEAN

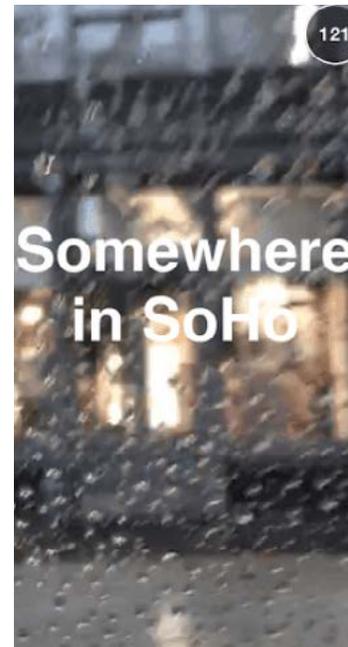
When your brand has been around since 1912, how do you keep product marketing fresh? Value the customer over the product. Take L.L.Bean's Pinterest account, for example. Instead of posting repetitive photos of their traditional (but oh-so-comfy) winter boots, L.L.Bean's boards feature stunning photos of sunrise hikes and crackling campfires. With this strategy, L.L.Bean follows Pinterest best practice by curating boards around the aspirations of their target customer.



TACO BELL

If there is one part of your marketing where you should flaunt a bit of your personality, it's social media. Taco Bell's Twitter account is a prime example. With the brand's hand-drawn doodles of unicorns and tacos, you'll feel like you've opened one of your middle school notebooks. As quirky as it is, Taco Bell has still established a consistent brand image. Plus, the brand's creative use of animated GIFs results in a social strategy you can't help but love.





EVERLANE



Each of Everlane's social media accounts work to break down the barrier between the customer and their favorite brand. By illustrating the how and why behind what they do, Everlane provides a window into company culture and differentiates themselves against similar fashion brands. As recent social media trends shift away from the public and toward the private, Everlane has done an exceptional job of using Snapchat to send messages to their customers that feel honest and personal.

REI 1440 PROJECT

CELEBRATING EVERY MINUTE OUTSIDE

There are 1,440 minutes in a day.
Let's spend every one of them outside.

SHARE YOUR PHOTOS USING
#REI1440PROJECT

REI

As you work to raise brand awareness, often it's better to go a bit off the beaten path -- even if it means excluding yourself from the largest shopping day of the year. REI created its fair share social media buzz for Black Friday 2015 as they encouraged shoppers to #OptOut of their post-turkey trip to the mall and instead spend the day in nature. Yet, the holiday season is not the only unique social campaign REI launched. Check out their 1440 Project for an admirable example of inviting the customer into your social sharing.



Never realized how amazing fall is!

via @eric_pnw



It's almost time to trade in singletrack for skin tracks but @kid_cudighi still has a little more brown pow shredding to do. #mountainbike #ridethetotons #mtb #bemorestoked #wydaho #rei1440project #campvibes #lifebehindbars #bemorestoked

via @cywhitling



With how busy our lives are these days, I sure do cherish relaxing moments like this :) #campingwithdogs #camp4pix #canon #WhatGivesYouLife #OutdoorResearch #outdoors #REI1440PROJECT #rei #arizona #theoutbound #TeamCanon #apachelake #dogsofinstagram #dog #relax #lake #wildernessculture #hipcamp #MountainGirls #justgoshoot #natureaddict #NeverStopExploring

BLOG

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A Customer-First Approach to Fresh Ideas and Innovative Products

Innovation doesn't mean reinventing the wheel, but it does mean staying relevant for your customers. These 5 tips can help keep your small business on trend.

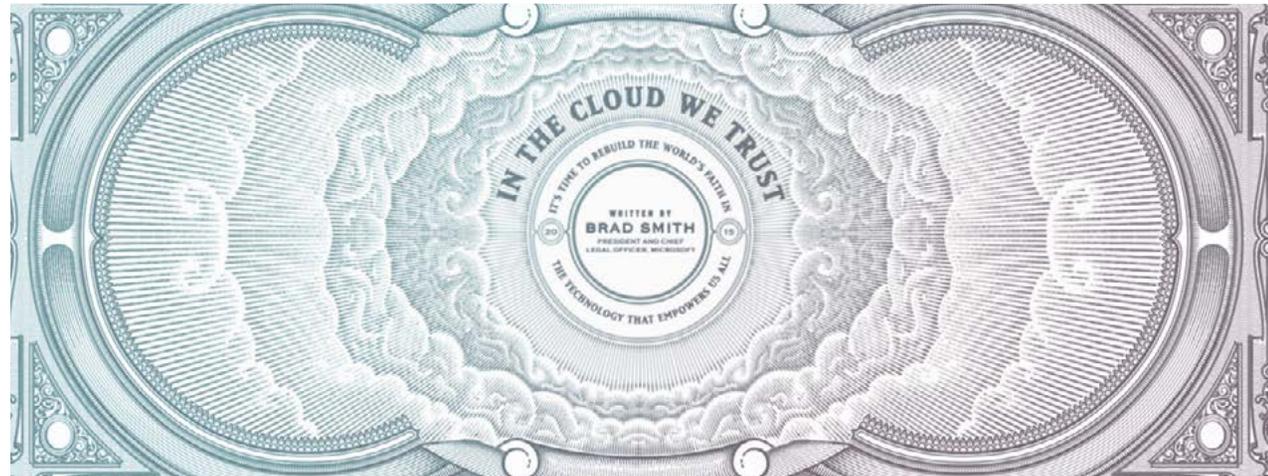
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AMERICAN EXPRESS

The American Express OPEN Forum shows how a brand can expand beyond a traditional blog to create a larger community. OPEN Forum exists to help small businesses grow through original content and a personalized user experience. Upon subscription, the blog prompts the reader to choose the focus areas right for them, including productivity, leadership, growth opportunities, and much more. Within each post, the platform makes it easy to follow the author, respond to the content, or dig deeper into related stories.



MICROSOFT

Who says B2B marketing has to be boring? Check out Microsoft Stories and prepare to be impressed. The first thing you'll notice is visual quality of the site. As opposed to following a blog template, each post is customized with parallax scrolling, animated graphics, and tedious illustrations. Beyond the design, the writing is reminiscent of feature journalism, packed with empathetic characters and a personal touch. Despite the immense resources of a brand like Microsoft, this blog nevertheless sets a high bar for product storytelling.



5 Unbelievable Gifts They'll Never See Coming

by Anna on 12/02/2015 in Misc.



Extraordinary presents for all the anything-but-ordinary people on your shopping list.

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Epic Wrap Battles, Round 1: We Have a Winner (& 2 DIYs!)

by Anna on 12/03/2015 in DIY, Lifestyle, Misc.

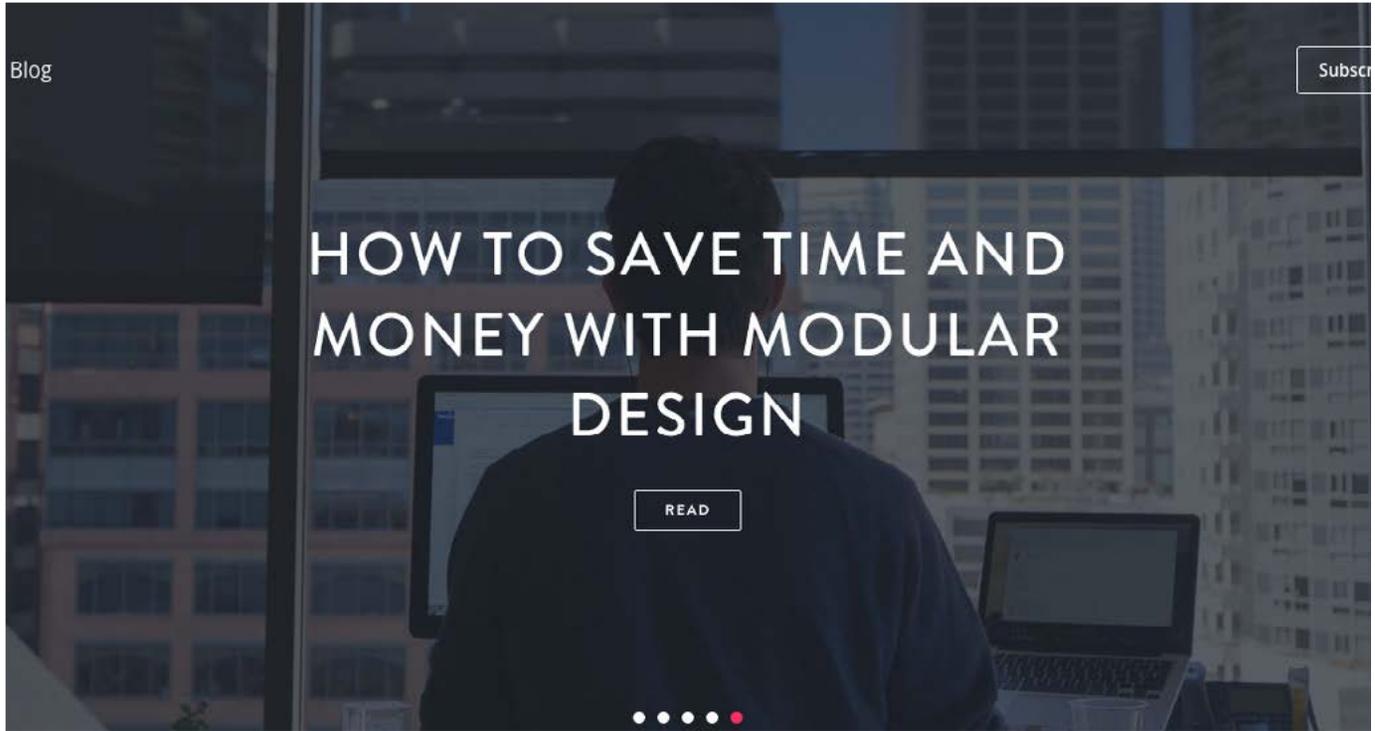


All December, our employees are going head to head in battles for present-packing prowess! This week, Head of Writing & Social, Natalie, went up against Creative Director, Joe in a dazzling DIY competition. Now, the community has spoken, and the winner of our first round is...

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MODCLOTH

If you're in search of an all-around high quality blog, look no further than Story by ModCloth. The fashion retailer knows their persona well and consistently publishes content with a unique and witty voice. The blog is broken down by categories and subcategories to make it easy for readers to locate evergreen content. While the design follows a traditional blog layout, the color scheme, icons, and pinnable images add up to a pleasant user experience.



INVISION

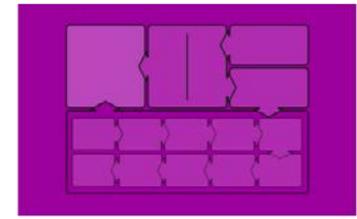
While you would expect the blog from a prototyping platform to have exceptional design, it's not simply looks that makes this blog stand out. Instead of always featuring the product, InVision's content marketing focuses on the passion for creation every designer shares. The blog maintains a loyal audience by publishing deep-dive posts around common pain points designers feel, and reflecting back on the big picture goals of their work. And of course, the slick design doesn't hurt.



COMMUNICATION
HOW TO MANAGE A PROJECT AS A CLIENT



NEW FEATURES
**MARKETPLACE BY INVISION
- GOODS MADE FOR DESIGNERS, BY DESIGNERS**



UI/UX
HOW TO QUICKLY CREATE A POWERFUL SURVEY





Making & Doing

Funny DIY Christmas gifts to spark a laugh

Download our printable labels to create hilarious novelty gifts perfect for Secret Santa or as stocking fillers.



Making & Doing

How to make limoncello

Make a batch of this after-dinner liqueur using our easy step-by-step recipe. It's the perfect edible gift to make for friends and family this Christmas.

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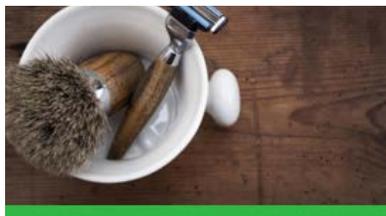


Making & Doing

How to make daisy bunting

Get crafty with the kids with this simple idea to decorate your home

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Home & Garden

How to get the most from your razor

Fed up of buying blades? Help your razor last longer with these four simple steps

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Making & Doing

How to make a rocket launcher

This simple kids' craft idea will easily keep them entertained on Bonfire Night

SHARE



Making & Doing

This chair covers hack will change your life

Transform mismatched dining room chairs into stylish identical ones with this brilliant trick.

TESCO

Based in the UK, Tesco is an international grocery store with a keen understanding of the helpful nature of inbound marketing. On its blog, Tesco Living, shoppers can find ideas and inspiration on topics ranging from how to save money when you go grocery shopping to holiday craft ideas for your preschooler. The navigability of the blog is among its best features, with a card user interface organized into six main categories. Click on a post to find a how-to article complete with ample pictures and easy-to-follow instructions.



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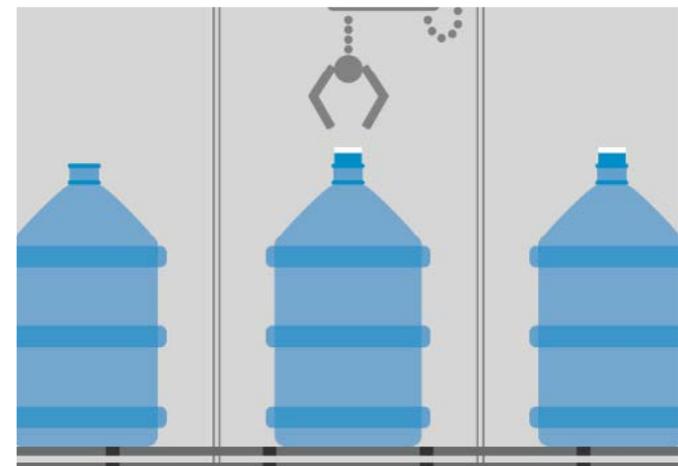
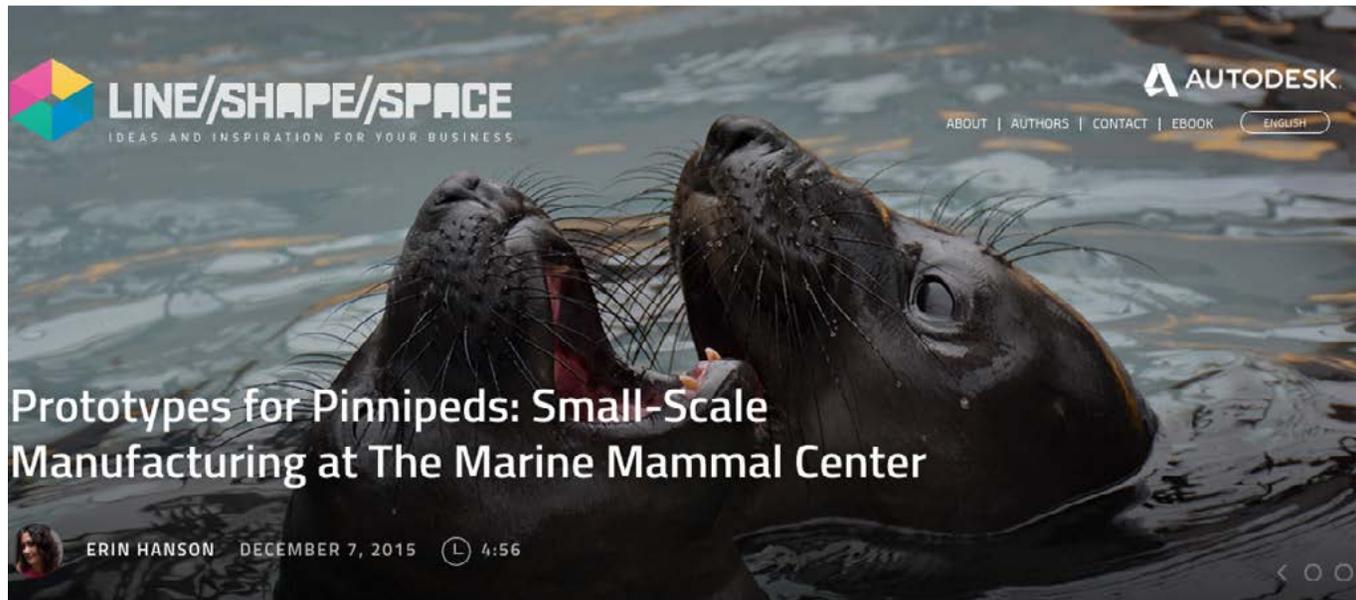
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Mutiny on Four Wheels: How RAC Is Redefining Car



3 Construction Industry Trends: A Golden Age of Profitability



AUTODESK

Since the blog's launch in 2013, software builder Autodesk has received a lot of buzz for Line//Shape//Space. While the brand focuses on the 3D printing and engineering niche, the blog expands to a larger audience by inspiring all businesses with a hand in design. Each post shares pragmatic business advice in the context of a story, featuring a real and unique example of innovation. In addition to the quality of the content, Line//Shape//Space uses fascinating imagery to invite readers into each story.

VIDEO

THIS IS NOT A SHOE



TOMS

November 29 at 11:32pm · 🌐

Experience Giving and witness the impact of TOMS Shoes first-hand when you take a virtual journey to Peru. See the incredible work our Giving Partners are doing and meet some of the children who receive our shoes in his 360 video.



TOMS

By sharing the stories of the people the brand supports, TOMS is able to quickly turn prospects into all-out brand evangelists for their one-for-one giving model. In their latest piece of visual marketing, TOMS uses virtual reality to take the audience alongside on a giving trip. Drag the frame to get a 360-degree view of the surroundings. Better yet, tilt your smartphone for a seamless experience. As more brands discover the possibilities of virtual reality, expect for this form of video marketing to be around for a while.



GOPRO

Pink gorilla jumping out of a plane? Check. Bird's eye view of a scenic canyon? That too. To experience a unique series of B2C video marketing, check out GoPro's YouTube channel. The brand curates videos from its customers to show just what heights and depths their product can withstand. In addition to featuring the product, the videos also create a community for GoPro users to share their extreme experiences.



HOOTSUITE

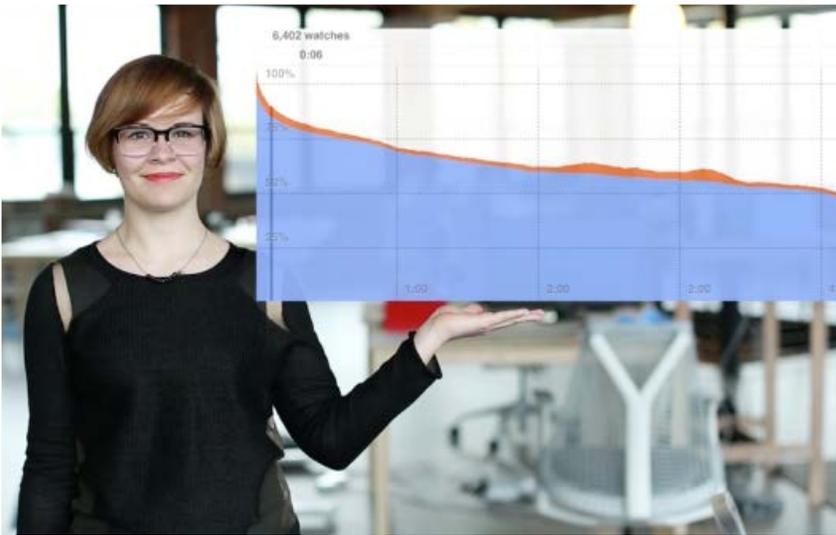


Successful B2B marketers know the power of the case study. And especially for brands in the SaaS space, these success stories are often necessary to share the customizable nature of the product for the user. Hootsuite, creator of a social media management dashboard, uses video to highlight their customer's personality in each case study. Check out the series on their YouTube channel to see an impressive example of each part of the video process: interviewing, production, and editing.



KLEENEX

For this marketing example, you might just need a box of tissues. Entitled "Best Friends," Kleenex tells the story of a man who finds companionship in a dog who shares his same challenges. What makes this piece of content truly remarkable is the lack of explicit advertising for the brand itself. Instead, Kleenex uses its platform and name recognition simply to share a worthy story and inspire audiences.



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How Vooza Uses Video to Grow and Retain Their Email List

Vooza's creative business model and witty content have been featured in publications like TechCrunch and the Financial Times, but we decided to focus on how they're using Wistia's Turnstile...



BLOG » PRODUCTION

How Apple Explained Their Watch With 13 Videos

Apple just released a series of video ads about their Apple Watch, a product that can do a lot of different things. If you took it out of the box, would you know what to do with it? It doesn't come...



BLOG » PRODUCTION

#WistiaChat Round Two: Producing Video on a Team of One

We did it! Thanks for helping make our second bi-weekly #WistiaChat was a great success! We spoke about mastering video production on a one-person team, including which tools to...

WISTIA

You'd expect a video hosting platform to excel at video marketing. Yet, it's not simply the lighting and lack of jump cuts that makes this an enviable marketing example. Wistia's video library consists of self-service tutorials to help businesses create awesome marketing. But before you pass this off as another set of boring educational videos, take a look. Wistia's content is helpful, courteous, and honestly, fun to watch. Packed with humor, Wistia sets an example of engaging writing brands should aspire to emulate.



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EDEKA

Commercials don't have to feel like commercials. German supermarket EDEKA kept this in mind in its Christmas video advertisement, #HeimKommen. The video tells the story of a grandfather spending the holidays alone. In an act of desperation to bring his busy children and grandchildren home for the holidays, he ... Well, no sense in ruining it for you. Watch the video yourself to learn why empathy is a vital ingredient in video marketing.





PURINA

In partnership with Purina, BuzzFeed has created an adorable video you'll immediately want to share -- but is it a commercial? This video shares the first day of bonding between a man and his new puppy. While the piece does include Purina product placements, the video is so much like a funny BuzzFeed skit that you'll probably want a sequel. Good news here. The video links to a multimedia microsite.

MICROSITE

THE STORIES WE WEAR



He's Gonna Need a Good Shirt. Connie Magee. Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Dear Patagonia,

Today is my dear friend Corey's birthday, and he got a ratty, dyed, indestructible Patagonia climbing shirt from me.

The shirt belonged to me and my freshly-ex-boyfriend Mike. I say we, because though he owned the shirt first, it was ours. He "stole/inherited" it from his best friend in high school and early climbing partner (note the old school tag...this goes back to the early 90's). It used to be tan or grey, but somehow it got dyed purple during a late night drinking incident. No one remembers what the stain on the chest is from. I think my guy was actually wearing this shirt the first time I saw him in the Gunks and I kind of knew I was going to fall in love. In my mind's eye, Mike is flaking a rope, shy smile, blue eyes flashing, ready for the next hard line. The shirt was already old when I met Mike. He'd been through some major health problems including a kidney transplant, but he came out resilient, climbing stronger than ever- just durable. Like this purple shirt. It is the splash of color in so many memories of hundreds of amazing trips to the Dacks, White Mountains, Chatty, the Red, the New, all over Utah, Colorado, Potrero, Spain, Acadia, Cochise, Wild Iris, Vedauwoo...

It's seen nearly every state in America, late-day bouldering sessions, trips to five or six countries and was always one of the key items in the trip bag. We sometimes negotiated over who got to wear it. It has survived so many crack climbs, so many snaggy bushwhacks, so many WTF benighted descents. I think one of us was even



More than just a Frisbee. Kern Ducote. Baltimore, MD.

"All along the Pacific Crest Trail, this served as my cutting board, fan, frisbee, and plate. It hit the ground a few too many times and cracked. Nothing ducttape can't fix!" - Kern



15 Year Old Fanny. Kacie Lynn. Chattanooga, TN.

"I've had this fanny pack for 15 years. It's been with me on the farm, at concerts, everywhere. It



Matt Looby. With a Little Help From a Friend. Horseshoe Canyon, AR.

"I tore the seat during the last day of a bouldering trip at Stone Fort, TN. I was really bummed since I loved these red pants. I asked one of my friends to patch them up so she used a piece of fabric from an old pair of pants to patch up the large hole, and also sewed up the smaller tear. I used them again



My Daughter & My Hat. Matt McNall

Dear Patagonia,

My daughter means everything to me. Even as a young man I knew that I wanted to be a good father someday, and that I wanted to raise my kids with respect for the wilderness. My youth was a topsy turvy...and through all of the hurdles of 21 parents living two states apart, the wild lands between Salt Lake and Huntington Beach mean everything. The long drives with Dad always meandered through seascides, deserts, and canyons...delaying the inevitable drop off for just a few days longer. The mountains, campfires, an moving waters from Utah to California became a thread that kept me connected with my family...a thread that always wore well with time. Just like good hat. I have always been a "hat guy." As a bald, bearded, beast nowadays my hats mean even more to me. I have worn numerous Patagonia as Black Diamond hats over the years. Each one getting seemingly grosser than the last. Sweat stained, torn, broken, battered and loved...just like me. My little girl loves my hats. She loves the sun and she loves to make fun of my shiny head underneath. She loves to steal them from me as she loves to hold onto them while she rides on my shoulders as we hike through the Wasatch Mountains. She laughs almost as beautifully as I mother does. She loves to keep up with her brother, she loves to sleep on her dog Moses, and she has the kindest heart you could ever imagine love my daughter, I love my son. I love my wife, love the wilderness, and I love this hat.

-Matt



WORN WEAR

a film about the stories we wear



PATAGONIA

The drive behind much of Patagonia's marketing is the Worn Wear campaign, a program that encourages customers to repair their damaged outdoor gear rather than buy new items. The heart of the campaign consists of stories told by actual customers. These narratives are enhanced with a variety of multimedia elements, including how-to articles for common clothing repairs, a beautiful Instagram account, and even a 30-minute documentary. Overall, Patagonia stands out by sharing customer stories through a nontraditional campaign angle.

Welcome to

THE CHALLENGE LAB

Explore the five challenges below to learn about the human behaviors that are getting in the way of planning for our financial future.

Map My
RETIREMENT

Imagining your retirement is the first step towards planning for it. Find out how much it will cost to live where you want in retirement.

EPISODE ONE: YOUR FUTURE SELF
YOUR BRAIN IS TO BLAME



A DAY IN THE LIFE
of a
PROCRASTINATOR

What's your Procrastination Personality?

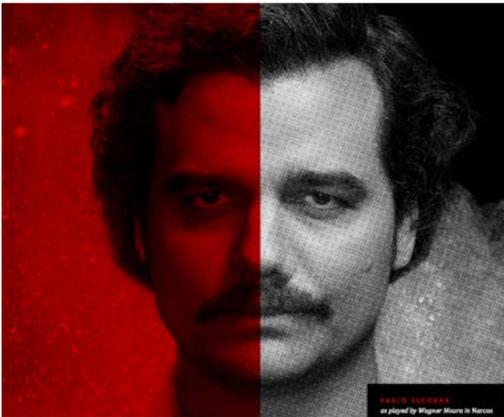
To help you find your procrastination personality type, we worked with leading procrastination expert, Dr. Piers Steel. Together, we identified six distinct styles of procrastinators, and designed this test around them. Because the more we understand why we put things off, the more we can make better financial decisions.

THE CURIOUS SECRETS OF A LONG LIFE
(IN A SHORT FILM)

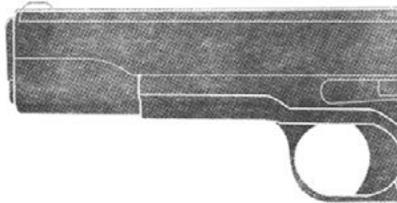
PRUDENTIAL

Prudential shows that marketers of any company can excel with an exciting multimedia approach -- even if your main objective is to teach people about retirement. In "The Challenge Lab," Prudential uses videos, quizzes, and other interactive elements to debunk every excuse a millennial might come up with to avoid thinking about retirement. As you explore the microsite, don't be surprised if you too are reawakened to the significance of your 401(k).

COCAINENOMICS



"I would rather have a grave in Colombia than a jail cell in the U.S."
- Pablo Escobar



NETFLIX

Netflix has partnered with the Wall Street Journal Custom Studios to create a game-changing piece of native advertising. In Cocainenomics, a combination of breathtaking graphics, professional reporting, and multimedia features tell the gritty story of the cocaine business. In addition to being an impressive piece of journalism, Cocainenomics arrived just in time to promote "Narcos," a Netflix original series.

cartel members, was killed by his legion of *sicarios*, hired guns as young as 14, plucked straight from the hellish ghettos of Medellín. He paid them \$100 to \$3,000 to kill Colombian cops—a huge amount of money in a city where kids from the slums had few options.

Peña remembers *sicarios* telling him, "Our life expectancy is 22. If we have some money to give to our mama, some money for sneakers and drinking, what else do we want?"

Cartel member José Gonzalo Rodríguez Gacha built the cartel's military arm, hiring British and Israeli mercenaries to train his men, and uniting with right-wing death squads and paramilitary groups battling Colombia's leftist guerillas.



Finally, the Medellín organization used vast amounts of money to bribe law enforcement and government officials. The bribes were the criminal equivalent of legitimate businesses hiring lobbyists and paying regulatory fines. Although it meant handing over "a very sizeable share of



SPONSOR GENERATED CONTENT - WHAT'S THIS

NETFLIX **NARCOS** | **WSJ** CUSTOM STUDIOS

ALL EPISODES NOW STREAMING



DEATH

OF THE OFFICE?

HOW TECHNOLOGY IS SHAPING THE WORKPLACE OF THE FUTURE

Today, the cloud has become impossible to ignore. While we're always hearing about how technology is going to change everything, it now seems that innovative approaches to how we live, work and play are having a drastic impact on everyday life. What does the workplace look like in a world where physical location has become unimportant, and where people are able to connect seamlessly from almost anywhere on the planet?



86% of executives surveyed thought that workers of the future would be expected remain in close contact while on vacation.



Would forego free meals

78%



Would take a reduction in holiday

31%



Would take a smaller salary

25%

INTUIT

In the realm of B2B marketing, a solid grasp of data visualization can be a make-it-or-break-it attribute. For an impressive example of an infographic that not only displays data, but animates it, check out "Death of the Office?" In this infographic, the UK division of financial software company Intuit explores the growing trend of working from home and how that has affected workplace culture.

 **CHIPOTLE** PRESENTS

TASTE INVADERS

A galactic battle against
artificial ingredients.

CHIPOTLE

As Chipotle has gained popularity, so too has its non-traditional marketing. The fast food chain knows its audience well, targeting each hand-drawn cup design and social media post toward the Millennial generation and a goal of word-of-mouth marketing success. Chipotle continued this strategy in their creation of "Taste Invaders," an Atari-style online game that challenges players to shoot lasers from a foil-wrapped burrito.

EMAIL



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The how-to guide to responsive email design

LITMUS

Litmus, an email testing and analytics platform, sets a high bar for what campaign emails can accomplish. As opposed to static text, each email uses eye-catching GIFs and bold colors to make the reader feel like they're on a professionally designed website, not in their inbox. Because of the superior visual elements, Litmus avoids the graymail trap and invites subscribers to explore their content further.



JETBLUE

There are few brand emails that will make you blush quite like JetBlue. While their design is clean and simple, the cheeky content hits the airline's personality perfectly every time. Each email has a distinct purpose to avoid cluttering the audience's inbox. Meanwhile, even the unsubscribe email is witty enough to make you reconsider your decision to stop the emails.

HEY, YOU! KNOW WHAT TODAY IS?
WAIT...DON'T TELL US YOU FORGOT.

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**IT'S OUR
ONE YEAR
ANNIVERSARY!**



We've been emailing for 365 days now. Huge, right? We've made such great memories together – remember that time you opened our sale email and giggled at our travel puns? Or that time you scored a super-low fare to your favorite destination – all because we lovingly emailed you first? (We won't talk about that one time you deleted us. We know you didn't mean it.)



It's OK you didn't remember this one-year mile(high)stone – we still adore you. What if we plan a fun date together to celebrate? The beach, the mountains, a spa retreat, a surprise adventure – name the time and place, and we'll be there. In our finest tailfin pattern.

APRIL'S NO FOOL.

If your first name is April, your flight today is on us.*





Hi Megan,

Judah & The Lion on Audiotree Live by Judah & the Lion are now available on Spotify!



LISTEN NOW



Thank you for being a top listener.

Hey it's Charles Kelley from Lady Antebellum.

You're getting this email because you are one of Lady Antebellum's top listeners on Spotify. Thanks so much for listening to so much of our music.

I'm going on a solo tour and as a way to say thank you I want you to be one of the first to get access to tickets.

The presale starts **Wednesday October, 14th at 10am** and runs until Thursday, October 15 at 10pm. You'll be able to purchase up to 6 tickets while supplies last. The password is **BELIEVER**

I have a new single out and would love for you to listen to it on Spotify. It's called **"The Driver"** and also features Dierks Bentley and Eric Paslay. Hope you like it!

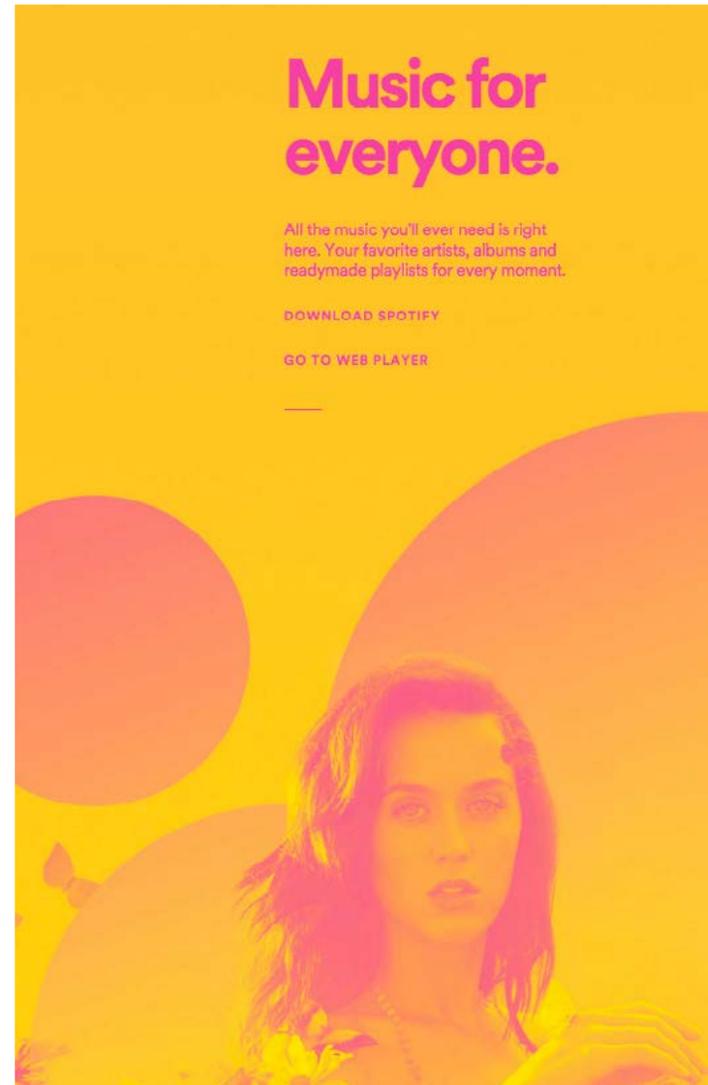
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SPOTIFY

Spotify's emails master the challenge of personalization. The music streaming platform only sends emails when the content will be helpful to the reader. By leveraging the user's music interests, Spotify crafts emails that make the recipient feel like they're being rewarded for listening to what they love. Plus, there are few better ways to start your morning than to receive a personalized email from Spotify saying one of your favorite bands has released a new album.

LET'S GET Personal



We peeked at your sample and purchase history, and then used our supercomputers to find these great offers—tailored just for you.



BIRCHBOX ♦

FREE SHIPPING ON MONTHLY BOX BRANDS & ORDERS \$50+*

TELL US HOW YOU REALLY FEEL.

Seriously, don't pull any punches!

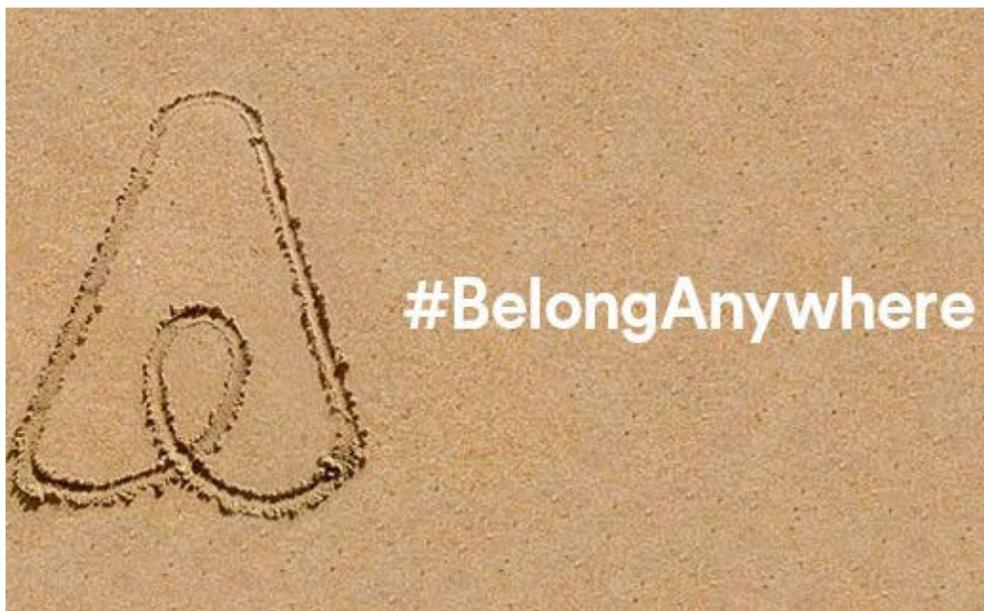
Rate these samples via our feedback surveys—each review earns you 10 points, and for every 100 points, you get \$10 off a full-size product order.

Step 1. Go to your [Box page](#).

Step 2. Click on the product you would like to review, then select the "Write a Review" link below the product name.

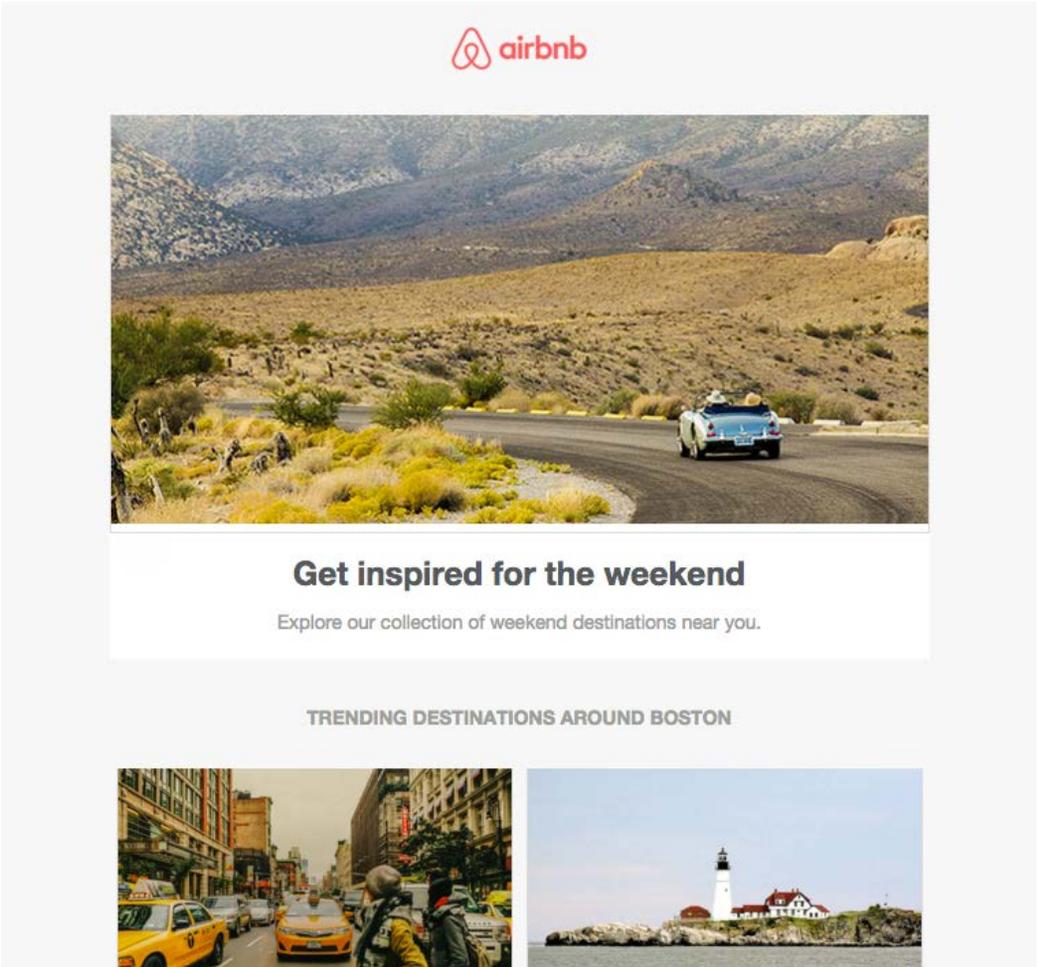
BIRCHBOX

Birchbox is another example of a brand committed to personalization. By always rooting the content in sample and purchase history, the shopper can be sure each email they receive from Birchbox will be relevant to them. In addition to suggesting the right products, the voice of the copy is helpful and honest, always reminiscent of an email from your best friend.



AIRBNB

Airbnb's email personalization strategy is based around anticipating customer needs. The vacation accommodation site tracks your search history and lets you know when additional rentals become available that you might be interested in. As shown above, you'll also receive perfectly timed emails suggesting you take the time to relax and recharge. Each email fits into their overall marketing campaign, #BelongAnywhere -- helping customers feel at home anywhere they might explore.



ABOUT US

Beacon Digital is located in New York City, as well as Beacon, NY, in the scenic Hudson Valley.

At Beacon Digital, our mission is to help B2B companies generate more leads, gain greater awareness among target audiences, and leverage technology to become more efficient marketing organizations. Our goal is to be the most strategic, knowledgeable, and effective digital marketing agency focused on B2B companies.

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