

# Americas and the Caribbean

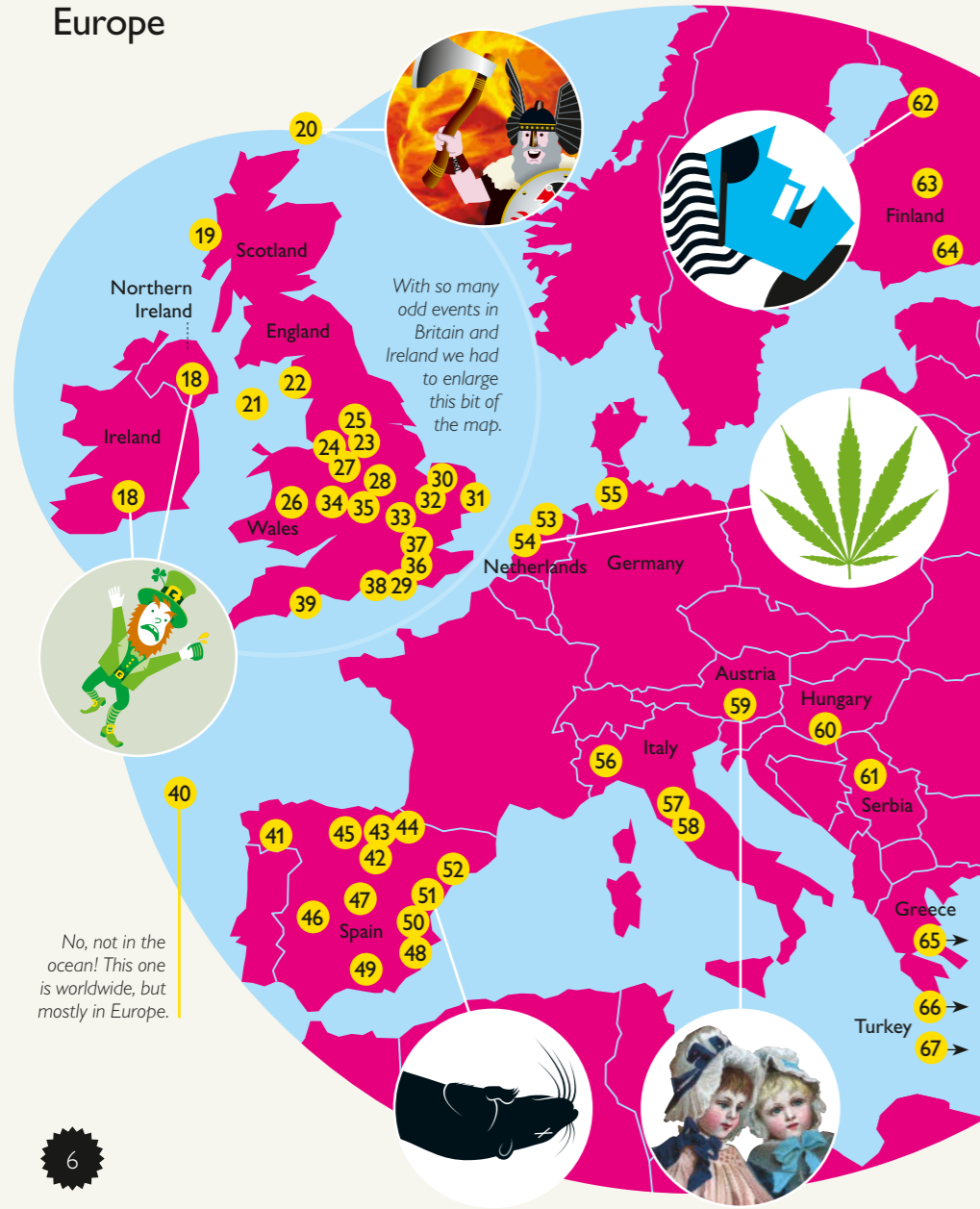


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[www.arcticman.com](http://www.arcticman.com)  
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[www.airsexworld.com](http://www.airsexworld.com)  
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\*A stone skipping contest is held on Easdale Island, Scotland, see contest number 19.

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No, not in the ocean! This one is worldwide, but mostly in Europe.

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[www.uphellyaa.org](http://www.uphellyaa.org)  
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[www.castletown.org.im/tinbaths](http://www.castletown.org.im/tinbaths)  
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[www.wormcharming.com](http://www.wormcharming.com)  
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[www.blmra.co.uk](http://www.blmra.co.uk)  
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[www.pooh-sticks.com](http://www.pooh-sticks.com)  
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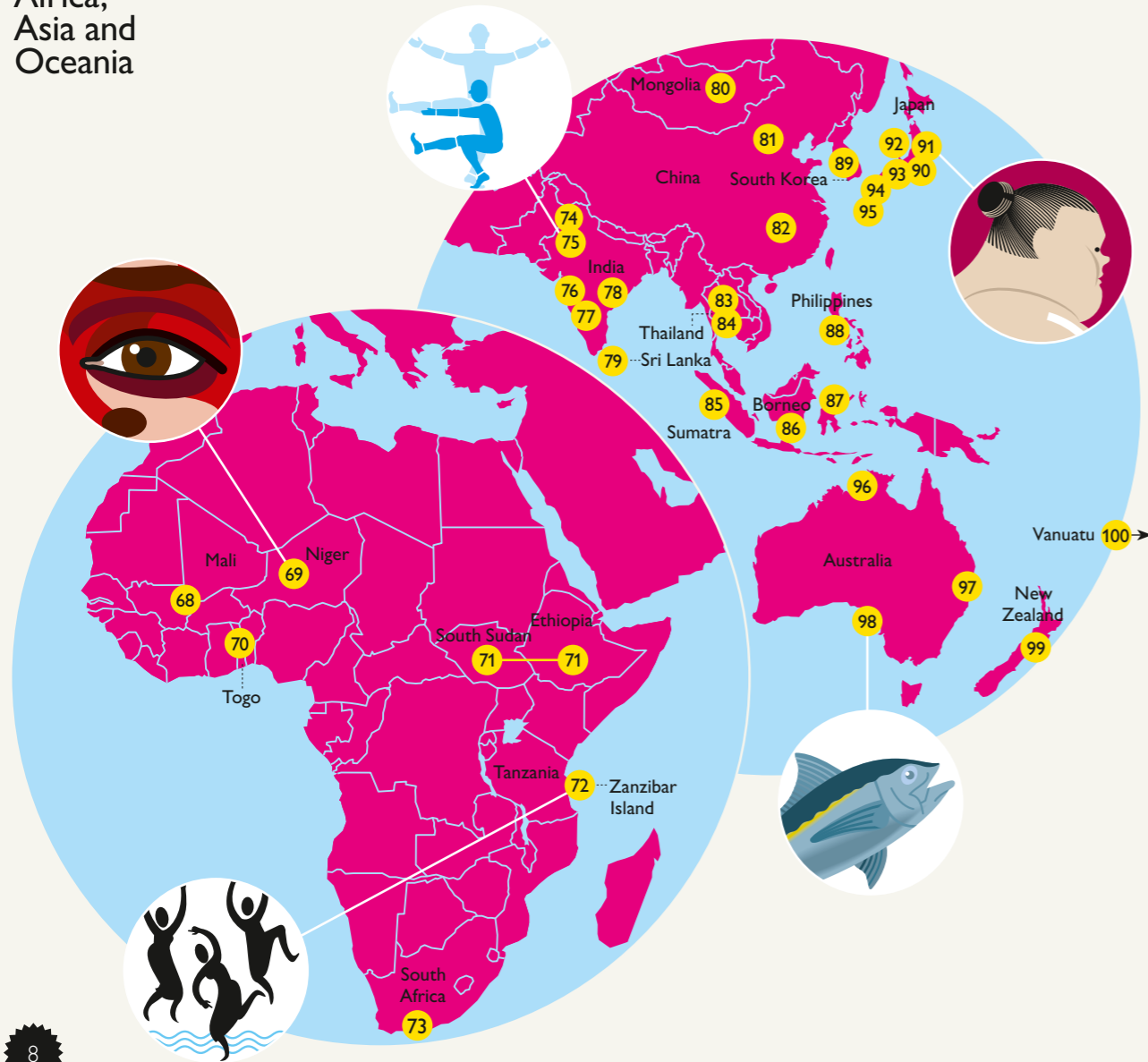
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[www.batalladelvino.com](http://www.batalladelvino.com)  
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