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● **The Wonderful North** thewonderfulnorth.com

Artists Bryan and Laura Davies are undertaking a decidedly out-of-season camper van journey across northern England as part of a project in search of natural wonders and hidden treasures. Along the way, they're taking pictures, filming interviews with inspirational people and



writing an entertaining, feelgood blog on expected attractions like the Angel Of The North,

plus less obvious ones like Kielder reservoir, and the Byker housing estate in Newcastle. Visitors to the site can suggest where they go to next, track their progress on Google Earth and, come April, visit a virtual museum filled with art works created en route. **JOHNNY DEE**

● **Ninety Nights** ninety nights.com

The short, two-minute clips here look as if they were filmed on early-80s, eastern European CCTV cameras that had been kicked to death and left to rot on the floor, but are by some miracle still transmitting wonky footage. What you see is grainy and slightly annoying, but the exciting thing is that



what they are capturing is the 90 nights the band REM are taking to make their brand new album. There is film of barely

audible conversations, of Michael Stipe rubbing his eyes and, every now and then, snatches of songs that sound absolutely wonderful and point at a return to their early college rock years. In modernist web 2.0 style, the clips – which change every day – are available for all to download and remix. **JD**

What we learned on the web this week

- **Where the world's** most remote houses are located tinyurl.com/2efuug
- **Buffalo buffalo** buffalo in Buffalo tinyurl.com/y9a49j
- **The seven habits** of highly effective propagandists tinyurl.com/2dlj7d
- **This lot are** rubbish tinyurl.com/ywfb2
- **The wait is over.** Our cock shadow needs have been serviced cockshadows.blogspot.com



● **What all confused** dogs will be sporting this spring beedogs.com

- **People "paralysed** by the paradox of choice" don't need to decide which of these carbonated beverages they prefer tinyurl.com/2gdp7c
- **Online golf is** threatening global productivity tinyurl.com/37afwg
- **The best drunk** American writers tinyurl.com/ysqxcw
- **A few new** words to drop into conversation tinyurl.com/2xs63c

Blog Roll Music

- **Stool Pigeon** thestoolpigeon.com
Billy Childish, Foals, Josh Homme et al talk to this free music rag.
- **Idolator** idolator.com
Excellent tongue-in-cheek US music news site covering all from American Idol to Thom Yorke.
- **Galbadia Hotel** gh.ffshrine.org
An MP3 blog dedicated to video game and anime movie music.
- **Hypeful** hypeful.com
Vampire Weekend videos, the story behind the Strokes' cover model and Jack Johnson.
- **XO's Middle Eight** xolondon.blogspot.com
Home to new release mixtapes, retro 1980s sounds and downloads of Adele B-sides.
- **Wongie's** wongiesmusicworld.blogspot.com
Videos of forthcoming releases, live tracks, remixes and the best Candi Staton mash-up ever.
- **Pop Dose** popdose.com
A land where Erykah Badu, Lush and Cat Power get equal portions of love.

