

Where in the World Is Mrs. Waffenschmidt? # 28

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Read the paragraph below. In that paragraph, everybody's favorite adventurer, Mrs. Waffenschmidt, offers clues about the place she is visiting today. Use those clues to help you figure out where in the world Mrs. Waffenschmidt is. Write your answer on the line at the bottom of the page.



Today, I'm getting some culture. I'm visiting one of the largest art museums in the world. It is said that there are more than eight *miles* of galleries in this museum, so I've definitely put on my most comfortable walking shoes. I just walked into the gallery where Leonardo da Vinci's famous painting, the *Mona Lisa*, is on display. The painting is kept behind glass for safety. It isn't nearly as big as I expected it to be. The painting is only 30 inches long. When I got close enough to really look at Mona Lisa, I noticed she doesn't have any eyebrows. My guide said that was probably the style of the times in which Mona Lisa lived. This museum also includes wonderful works of art from the ancient Egyptians, Greeks, and Romans. One of my favorites is a famous marble statue called *Venus de Milo*. This statue of an armless woman was probably created around the year 130 B.C. It might be a statue of Aphrodite, the Greek goddess of love and beauty. (The Romans called that goddess Venus.) The museum that houses these great treasures of art was built as a fortress. Years later it was used as a royal palace. Today it is one of the greatest museums in the world.

Can you name the place I am visiting? Where in the world is this place found?

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