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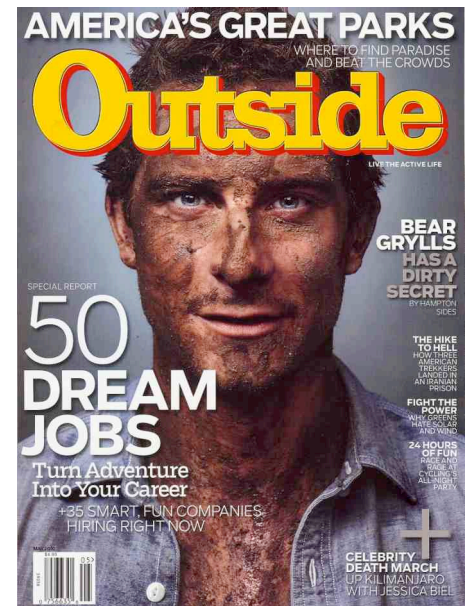
Best Jobs: The 50 Best Places to Work

Featuring: Osprey

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First, with help from the Outdoor Industry Association, we got the word out to eligible applicants--nonprofit or for-profit companies with at least 15 employees working in the U.S. Our project partner research firm Best Companies Group (bestcompaniesgroup.net), then sent registered companies a confidential employee-satisfaction survey and an extensive employer questionnaire to collect information about policies, practices, and benefits. The results were analyzed by the Best Companies Group, which ranked the 50 winners in order of who best enables employees to balance productivity with an active, eco-conscious lifestyle.

5. IGNORE THE CLOCK

Summer hours. Flex time.

Telecommuting. Almost every company on our list finds a way to help employees get out of the office, often so they can do something fun. Among our favorites: #12 **Osprey's** "stress-free holiday season" approach, which gives employees time for obligations at home—like stuffing their Thanksgiving turkeys.

Osprey (#12): A floating "powder day."

Meanwhile, **Osprey** (#12) and **New Belgium Brewing** (#2) give employees new bikes after a year on the job.

