

# Where to Go in 2018

The 22 destinations that will be especially hot this year—and the data you need to plan your trip.



New dome suites at Jordan's Sun City Camp, in Wadi Rum. Photographer: Gabriela Herman for Bloomberg Businessweek.

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Plenty of cities are always worth a visit. But when destinations are in the midst of an evolution—bursting with new, standard-setting hotels and restaurants, or chock-full of new cultural attractions—you can expect a spark of electricity in the air. The alchemy of being in the right place at the right time is exactly what transforms a good vacation into a great one.

With that in mind, we've scoured the globe for the most exciting openings and events in 2018 and boiled them down to 22 especially compelling destinations. And to make sure you can plan your trip for just the right time of year, we sourced [hotel pricing insights](#) from Google and seasonal recommendations from regional travel specialists that we know and trust. Take it from them: The cheapest and most expensive times to go are rarely the best and worst.

You've got the vacation days. Here's how to use them.



View from a private plunge pool at the Park Hyatt St. Kitts. Photographer: Evan Ortiz for Bloomberg Businessweek.

## ST. KITTS

St. Kitts has pulled off a beach-escape hat trick: It feels untouched while being both comfortable and convenient. A quarter of it is preserved as American oceanic rainforest, perfect for hiking through pristine wilderness, but the island also offers the infinity pools and beachfront cafes travelers hope for in a luxe vacation.

After surviving last year's hurricanes unscathed, the destination got a considerable injection of glitz when the 126-room [Park Hyatt](#) opened in November. The first five-star beach resort on St. Kitts, it's located on a secluded white-sand cove near the island's southern tip; suites with private pools overlook the Caribbean Sea and the neighboring island of Nevis, while the three-bedroom presidential villa has a private chef and dedicated fitness area. The resort anchors [Christophe Harbour](#), a new, 2,500-acre luxury development and superyacht marina, which means guests have the twin benefits of privacy and quick access to high-end boutique shopping.

In terms of convenience, Delta has begun offering nonstop routes from Atlanta and New York, making St. Kitts more accessible than many of its Caribbean peers.

**When to go:** May—when you'll find great deals and few crowds—or the six weeks in November and December that are bookended by hurricane season and holiday madness.

**When not to go:** Heed the big lesson of 2017, and steer clear of the Caribbean in the peak storm months from June to October.

**Whom to call:** [Lindsey Epperly](#) of Epperly Travel.



Source: Google Search hotel data