

## Where Every Travel Expert and Outlet Says You Should Travel in 2018



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**We combined all of the “best of” lists so you don't have to.**

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With the start of a new year, many travelers have already begun making lists of their travel plans for 2018, plotting out everything from three-day weekends to off-the-grid getaways.

Travel publications and industry experts have also done the same, offering their recommendations for the best places to go this year. *Travel + Leisure* has [its own stellar list](#), and along with our own recommendations, we've compiled a list of all of the top places recommended by publications and experts from *National Geographic* to [The New York Times](#) to the U.S. Tour Operators Association.

To qualify for this super-list, these destinations had to be recommended at least four times. We've broken down the exact cities, national parks, and even waterfalls that will make 2018 the best year of travel yet.

## Japan

T+L recommends the Iya Valley, which offers its turquoise Class Four rapids for adventure travelers. *Fodor's* and *AFAR* both recommend Tokyo, where visitors can admire the futuristic cityscape, sample sushi, and shop at some of the most unique stores around. Travelers looking for something off the beaten path should check out the Kii Peninsula, recommended by *Lonely Planet*.

## Ireland

Dublin is a great destination for book lovers, whiskey aficionados, or anyone looking for a city vacation, and *Fodor's* and *National Geographic* agree. Travelers seeking steep cliff views and charming villages should head to County Clare, *Frommer's* suggests.

## France

France has long been one of the top destinations for tourists around the world, and 2018 is no exception. *Fodor's*, *Lonely Planet*, *AFAR*, the U.S. Tour Operators Association, Luxury Travel Agents, and DK Eyewitness Travel all agree. *The New York Times* suggests the lesser-known village of Megève in the French Alps.

## Mexico

Despite a devastating earthquake in Mexico City in 2017, this country's tourism rebounded quickly, continuing to draw visitors looking to appreciate the vibrant art city in the capital or explore stunning beaches. Nine different outlets put Mexican destinations on their lists, making it tied with Australia as the top recommended place.