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Where to Go in 2020

Where will 2020 take you? Below, you'll find 36 destinations to kick-start your travel dreaming and scheming. We've surfaced emerging places. We've highlighted unexpected spots. And we've blown out a handful of classic destinations—the places we return to again and again, such as Italy and Japan—with alternatives to the big cities and the most crowded seasons. Scroll down to begin your 2020 journey.



Veneto, Italy

Consorzio di Tutela



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As the marquee Italian destinations grapple with overtourism, we've chosen four places to get off the beaten path—one for each season. Our spring pick, Italy's Prosecco Hills, finally gets a UNESCO World Heritage designation.

WHEN TO GO: The [Primavera del Prosecco Superiore](#) (March-June) is considered the most important wine event in Veneto, the region that fans out from its capital, Venice. During the festival, travelers can join tastings, enjoy meals with wine pairings, and stroll through vineyards open to the public.

WHY GO: In 2019, UNESCO finally recognized the prosecco production area—50,000-plus acres of neatly terraced vineyards, rolling green hills, and scenic medieval towns—as a World Heritage site. Travelers can sip their way through the towns of Conegliano and Valdobbiadene, where small, family-run vineyards still use traditional methods to make sparkling wine. It's easy to explore beyond the towns, too. Visitors can drive or cycle along the winding Strada del Prosecco, a 55-mile loop lined with 90 wineries, tasting prosecco and other wines along the way. The historic region also has plenty of medieval villages and restaurants that highlight the land's abundance, including the Michelin-starred Ristorante La Corte. The best way to experience farm life is to stay in one of several agriturismo accommodations in the area, such as Borgoluce, which produces its own wine, buffalo mozzarella, honey, cured meats, and beer. For the insider track, travelers can book a custom tour of Veneto with Imago Artis Travel.

NEED TO KNOW: The towns of Conegliano and Valdobbiadene are about 40 miles north of Venice. Carriers such as American Airlines, Delta, and United run direct flights from the United States to Venice. There, travelers may hire a driver from Treviso Car Service, rent a car, or hop on a one-hour train to Conegliano. —*Devorah Lev-Tov*