

The world's BEST hotels, islands, cities, ski resorts, trains and airlines for 2020 revealed in prestigious travel awards...

from South Carolina to London's Knightsbridge

The Condé Nast Traveller's Readers' Choice Awards 2020 have been voted for by its discerning readers. They voted for the 'places that they love and would return to' and 'their favourite means of getting there'. Here we present stunning photographs of some of the winners, from the USA to Scotland via Colombia.

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Bucket list assistance has arrived from those who know a thing or two about the best places to stay and visit.

The discerning readers of Condé Nast Traveller have voted for the best hotels, destinations, spas, airlines, airports, trains, cruise liners and tour operators in the Condé Nast Traveller's Readers' Choice Awards 2020.

The vote for the annual awards took place during lockdown, when the thought of going anywhere further than the local shops seemed like a dream.

However, Condé Nast Traveller, which joined up with its sister title in the USA to run the awards, said that despite this, readers voted for the places that they love and would return to - along with their favourite means of getting there.

It added: "While these awards are often cause for celebration, this year they serve as a reminder of the wider world out there. The Readers' Choice Awards celebrates and supports the travel industry, shines a spotlight on new places, and revisits familiar ones with a fresh eye. All of them under one sky."

Scroll down for a peek at stunning photographs of some of the winners, from the Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park in London to Rome's stunning Hassler hotel...



BEST HOTEL IN LONDON - MANDARIN ORIENTAL HYDE PARK: Condé Nast Traveller describes this hotel as 'gracious and unstaffy' and adds that it is the 'the best-occupied hotel in London'. Pictured is one of the luxurious 'Mandarin' rooms, which cost from £935 a night



BEST HOTEL IN THE REST OF THE UK - GLENEAGLES, SCOTLAND: According to Condé Nast Traveller, this 850-acre estate has 'absolutely everything you need for life's enjoyment'. Pictured is the hotel's swanky Century Bar



BEST HOTEL IN AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND - COMO THE TREASURY, PERTH: This Como hotel is the chain's first to be located in Australia. It has 48 rooms and occupies former state buildings that date back to the 19th century



COMO Hotels and Resorts: The Treasury Inn



BEST HOTEL IN NEW YORK CITY - THE CARLYLE, A ROSEWOOD HOTEL: Described as an 'Upper East Side institution', this hotel has been welcoming guests since 1930. It has 190 rooms and around 50 privately-owned apartments. Pictured is its famous Bemelmiln's Bar



BEST HOTEL IN ROME - HASSLER ROMA: Located at the top of the Spanish Steps, Condé Nast Traveller calls this 'five-star hotel' an 'old classic'. It has 87 rooms and suites and according to the hotel has panoramic terraces with 'the best views of Rome'. Pictured is the presidential San Pietro suite



BEST HOTEL IN VENICE - SAN CLEMENTE PALACE KEMPINSKI: This hotel is located on its own island in the Venice lagoon. Condé Nast Traveller says you can 'spend five days here and never leave' and adds: 'It's a calm oasis away from the crush of the Venice crowds'. Pictured is the hotel's San Clemente suite



BEST HOTEL IN PARIS - LA RESERVE PARIS HOTEL & SPA: Condé Nast Traveller describes La Reserve Paris Hotel & Spa as a 'five-star of the Champs-Élysées for the staunchest boutique hotel fans'. The hotel features 25 suites and 15 rooms and is home to two fine dining restaurants and a plush cocktail bar



BEST HOTEL IN SOUTH AMERICA - SOFITEL LEGEND SANTA CLARA CARTAGENA, COLOMBIA: The Sofitel Legend Santa Clara Cartagena is set inside a former convent building. The hotel offers two restaurants, a lounge bar and an 800-square-metre spa with eight treatment rooms, a gym, a tea area and solarium

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BEST SKI RESORT IN EUROPE - ST MORITZ, SWITZERLAND: Condé Nast Traveller describes this resort as the 'ultimate winter playground'. It sits at an elevation of 6,089ft (1,856m) and has 217 miles (350 kilometres) of piste



Luxury Grace Hotels apartments in glamorous St Moritz ski resort



BEST SKI RESORT IN NORTH AMERICA - DEER VALLEY, UTAH: This stunning ski resort has 2,000 acres of wide-open terrain and has an uphill capacity of more than 50,000 skiers per hour



BEST ISLAND IN THE UK - JERSEY: Jersey, which lies 100 miles south of mainland Britain, is the largest of the Channel Islands. It's famous for its long eyelash Jersey cows, Jersey Royal potatoes and its blonde-sand beaches



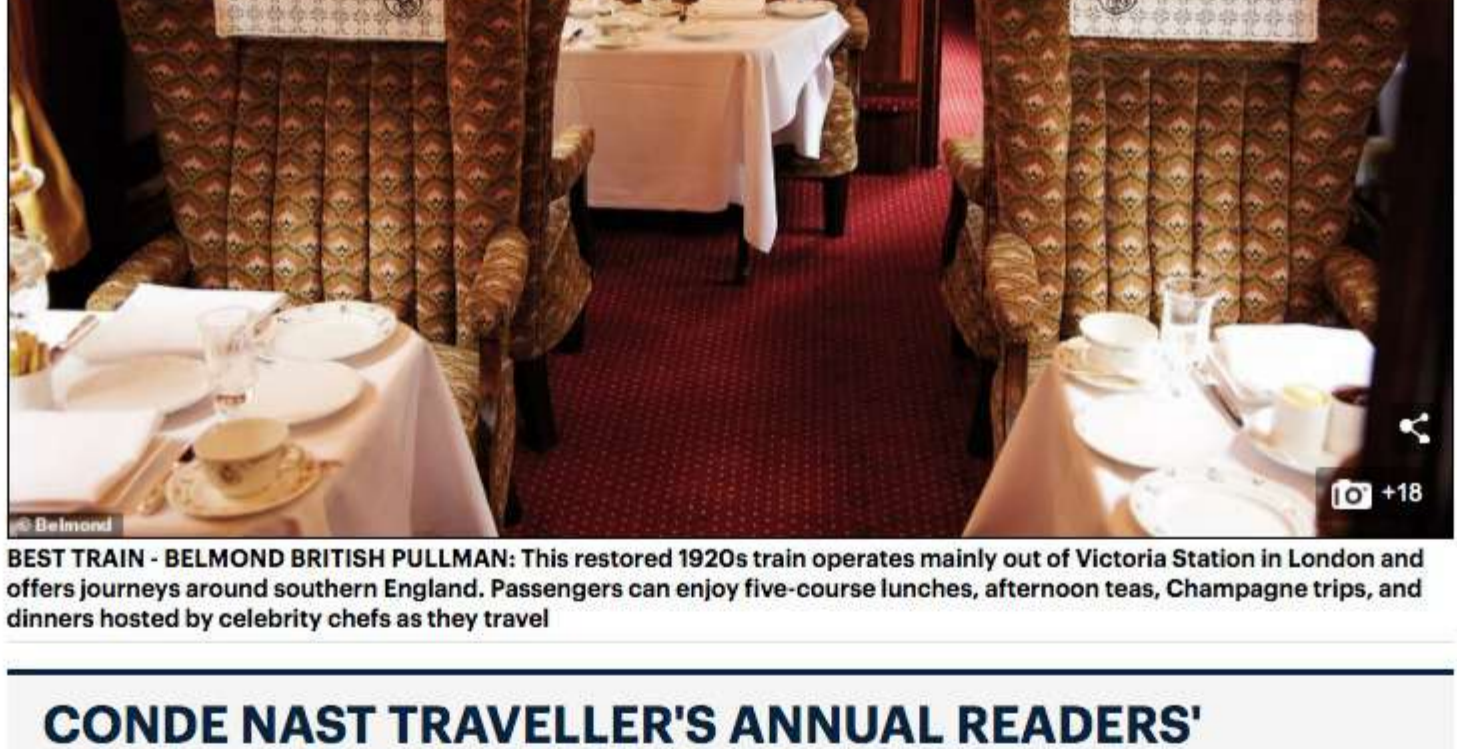
BEST ISLAND IN GREECE & TURKEY - FOLEGANDROS, GREECE: Folegandros lies 40 miles north-west of Santorini. Just like its neighbour, the island is a canvas of whitewashed houses, plunging cliff faces and cobblestone streets. Highlights of a trip here include a visit to Chrysosplai, aka 'The Golden Cave', and a bowl of matsáta (handmade noodles with rabbit). Pictured is Agali Beach on the southern side of the island



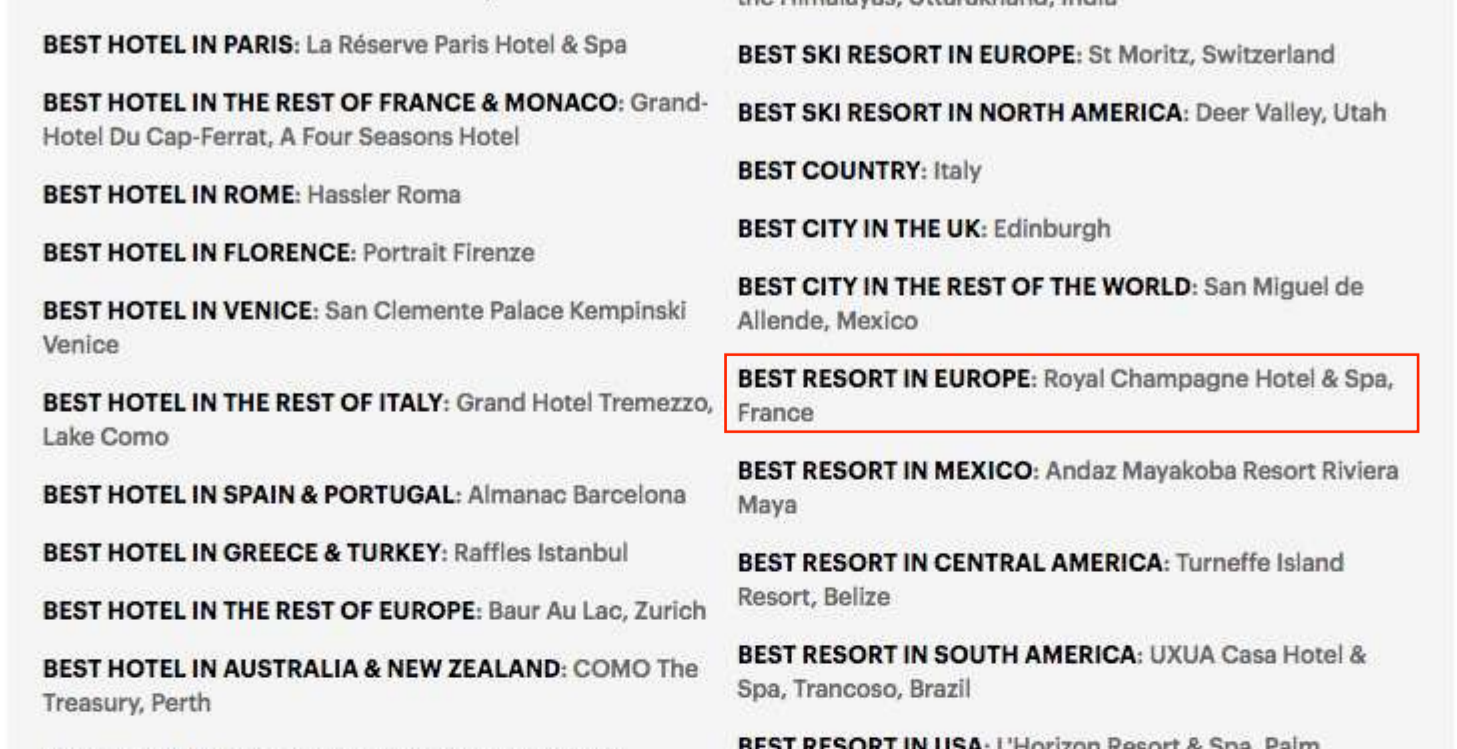
BEST ISLAND IN NORTH AMERICA - HILTON HEAD ISLAND, USA: Part of the Lowcountry region in the state of South Carolina, Hilton Head Island is home to 12 miles of beaches. Condé Nast Traveller describes regains here as the trip that 'satisfy all travellers'. Pictured is the Harbour Town marina



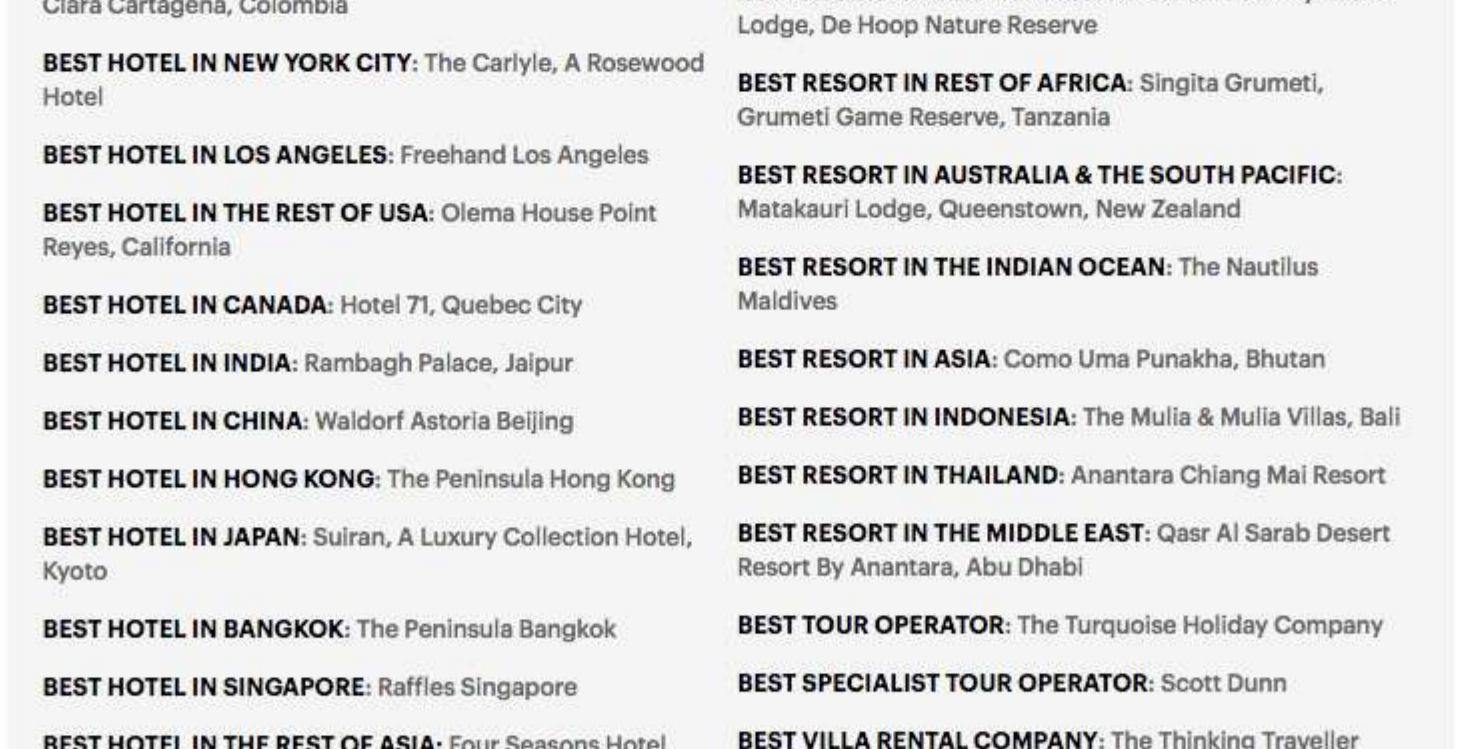
BEST COUNTRY - ITALY: Postano (pictured) on the Amalfi Coast is just one of the highlights of a trip to Italy. There's Rome with its mighty Roman architecture, Venice, with its iconic waterways and gondolas, Pisa with its famous tipsy tower, and Bologna with its irresistible food market... to name but a few



BEST CITY IN THE UK - EDINBURGH: Pictured is the Edinburgh skyline as seen from Calton Hill. Condé Nast Traveller explains that the city 'rewards visitors with its beautiful Gothic buildings, cobblestone Royal Mile, and hilltop 12th-century castle'



BEST AIRLINES: Jet2 was named Best UK Airline and Singapore Airlines was given the title of Best Airline Rest of World in the Condé Nast Traveller Readers' Choice Awards



BEST TRAIN - BELMOND BRITISH PULLMAN: This restored 1920s train operates mainly out of Victoria Station in London and offers journeys around southern England. Passengers can enjoy five-course lunches, afternoon teas, Champagne trips, and dinners hosted by celebrity chefs as they travel

CONDE NAST TRAVELLER'S ANNUAL READERS' CHOICE AWARDS 2020

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| BEST HOTEL IN LONDON: Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park | BEST SPA RESORT IN THE USA: The Ranch Malibu, California |
| BEST HOTEL IN THE REST OF THE UK: Gleneagles, Scotland | BEST SPA RESORT IN THE REST OF THE WORLD: Ananda in the Himalayas, Uttarakhand, India |
| BEST HOTEL IN IRELAND: The Westbury, Dublin | BEST SKI RESORT IN EUROPE: St. Moritz, Switzerland |
| BEST HOTEL IN PARIS: La Réserve Paris Hotel & Spa | BEST SKI RESORT IN NORTH AMERICA: Deer Valley, Utah |
| BEST HOTEL IN THE REST OF FRANCE & MONACO: Grand-Hôtel Du Cap-Ferrat, A Four Seasons Hotel | BEST COUNTRY: Italy |
| BEST HOTEL IN ROME: Hassler Roma | BEST CITY IN THE UK: Edinburgh |
| BEST HOTEL IN FLORENCE: Portrait Firenze | BEST CITY IN THE REST OF THE WORLD: San Miguel de Allende, Mexico |
| BEST HOTEL IN VENICE: San Clemente Palace Kempinski Venice | BEST RESORT IN EUROPE: Royal Champagne Hotel & Spa, France |
| BEST HOTEL IN THE REST OF ITALY: Grand Hotel Tremezzo, Lake Como | BEST RESORT IN MEXICO: Andaz Mayakoba Resort Riviera Maya |
| BEST HOTEL IN SPAIN & PORTUGAL: Almanac Barcelona | BEST RESORT IN CENTRAL AMERICA: Turneffe Island Resort, Belize |
| BEST HOTEL IN GREECE & TURKEY: Raffles Istanbul | BEST RESORT IN SOUTH AMERICA: UXUA Casa Hotel & Spa, Trancoso, Brazil |
| BEST HOTEL IN THE REST OF EUROPE: Baur Au Lac, Zurich | BEST RESORT IN USA: L'Horizon Resort & Spa, Palm Springs, California |
| BEST HOTEL IN AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND: COMO The Treasury, Perth | BEST RESORT IN CANADA: Fairmont Château Whistler |
| BEST HOTEL IN AFRICA: Royal Mansour, Marrakech | BEST RESORT IN THE CARIBBEAN & ATLANTIC: Le Barthélemy Hotel & Spa, St Barth's |
| BEST HOTEL IN THE MIDDLE EAST: Mandarin Oriental, Doha, Qatar | BEST RESORT IN SOUTH AFRICA: Morukuru Family Beach Lodge, De Hoop Nature Reserve |
| BEST HOTEL IN MEXICO: Rosewood San Miguel de Allende | BEST RESORT IN REST OF AFRICA: Singita Grumeti, Grumeti Game Reserve, Tanzania |
| BEST HOTEL IN SOUTH AMERICA: Sofitel Legend Santa Clara Cartagena, Colombia | BEST RESORT IN AUSTRALIA & THE SOUTH PACIFIC: Matakauri Lodge, Queenstown, New Zealand |
| BEST HOTEL IN NEW YORK CITY: The Carlyle, A Rosewood Hotel | BEST RESORT IN THE INDIAN OCEAN: The Nautilus Maldives |
| BEST HOTEL IN LOS ANGELES: Freehand Los Angeles | BEST RESORT IN ASIA: Como Uma Punakha, Bhutan |
| BEST HOTEL IN THE REST OF USA: Olema House Point Reyes, California | BEST RESORT IN INDONESIA: The Mulia & Mulia Villas, Bali |
| BEST HOTEL IN CANADA: Hotel 71, Quebec City | BEST RESORT IN THAILAND: Anantara Chiang Mai Resort |
| BEST HOTEL IN INDIA: Rambagh Palace, Jaipur | BEST RESORT IN THE MIDDLE EAST: Qasr Al Sarab Desert Resort By Anantara, Abu Dhabi |
| BEST HOTEL IN HONG KONG: Waldorf Astoria Beijing | BEST TOUR OPERATOR: The Turquoise Holiday Company |
| BEST HOTEL IN CHINA: The Peninsula Hong Kong | BEST SPECIALIST TOUR OPERATOR: Scott Dunn |
| BEST HOTEL IN JAPAN: Suran, A Luxury Collection Hotel, Kyoto | BEST VILLA RENTAL COMPANY: The Thinking Traveller |
| BEST HOTEL IN BANGKOK: The Peninsula Bangkok | BEST AIRLINE - UK: Jet2 |
| BEST HOTEL IN SINGAPORE: Raffles Singapore | BEST AIRLINE - REST OF THE WORLD: Singapore Airlines |
| BEST HOTEL IN THE REST OF ASIA: Four Seasons Hotel Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia | BEST AIRPORT IN THE UK: London Heathrow |
| BEST ISLAND IN THE UK: Jersey | BEST AIRPORT IN THE REST OF THE WORLD: Singapore |
| BEST ISLAND IN EUROPE: Folegandros, Greece | BEST TRAIN: Belmond British Pullman, UK |
| BEST ISLAND IN THE CARIBBEAN & THE ATLANTIC: St. Barth's | BEST CRUISE - MEGA SHIPS: Royal Caribbean International |
| BEST ISLAND IN ASIA: Cebu & Visayan Islands, Philippines | BEST CRUISE - LARGE SHIPS: Disney Cruise Line |
| BEST ISLAND IN AUSTRALIA & THE SOUTH PACIFIC: Tasmania, Australia | BEST CRUISE - MEDIUM SHIPS: Crystal Cruises |
| BEST ISLAND IN AFRICA & THE INDIAN OCEAN: Bazaruto Archipelago, Mozambique | BEST CRUISE - SMALL SHIPS: Crystal Cruises Yacht |
| BEST ISLAND IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA: Galapagos Islands, Ecuador | BEST CRUISE - RIVER SHIPS: Viking River Cruises |
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