



The 22 Best Places to Go in 2022

Whether you're looking for a cutting-edge food destination or a relaxing beach getaway.

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This was the year of getting back out there—as vaccines became readily available in the spring and borders opened slowly throughout the summer and fall, our [travel calendars](#) began to fill up once again. Now, as we look ahead to what 2022 has in store, it's clear that our travel priorities have changed. We're no longer checking destinations off a list; instead we're being purposeful about why we choose to take a trip, and thoughtful about how our actions impact local communities while we're there.

This year's list of the best places to visit reflects these shifts in thinking: We've organized these destinations based on some of our favorite reasons to travel, from exhilarating food and drink scenes and historic sites to explore, to new places to soak in the great outdoors. We hope it makes it easier to plan your next big trip—and helps you narrow down where to go first of the 22 exciting places that made our 2022 list. —*Stephanie Wu*



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Honduras

Tropical **Honduras**, an under-the-radar **divers'** and **bird-watchers'** paradise, is fast becoming a hot spot for eco-conscious travelers.

The **Cayos Cochinos Foundation**—a nonprofit based in its namesake archipelago off Honduras's Caribbean coast—is one of the many sustainability organizations prioritizing the protection of Honduras's rainforests and **barrier reefs**. The archipelago is already famous for its cerulean waters, white-sand beaches, and spectacular freediving, but in 2022 the Foundation will launch eco-tours allowing travelers to participate in reef cleanup, spot pink boas on hikes, and join scientists in monitoring turtles.

Back on the mainland, zip-line through 400 acres of pristine rainforest in **Rawacala Eco Park**, which will launch two new hiking trails and bird-watching platforms alongside a revamp of their zip-line systems in 2022. After exploring **Copán's Mayan ruins**, visit the nearby **Paseo de los Girasoles**, a sunflower plantation put in to improve grazing conditions. Visitors will soon be able to enjoy its new farm-to-

table café, pergolas, and hammocks—just try to visit before everyone on Instagram catches wind of this photo-friendly spot.

For eco-friendly accommodations, try Rawacala Eco Park's sister property, [Paraiso Rainforest & Beach Hotel](#), or its new venture, Paraiso Boutique Hotel, opening in 2022 on [Utila](#). The property—which will offer eco-tours through the Cayos Cochinos Foundation—will employ solar panels and recycle rainwater, in addition to reducing plastic waste by favoring local produce. The [Grand Roatán Resort](#) will also reopen as a Kimpton mid-2022 with living green walls, a reverse osmosis water generation plant, and a new spa. —*Eva Sandoval*