

Here's what the future of travel looks like



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Travel's 'new normal'

The world became a very different place in 2020, with lockdowns keeping people mostly indoors, and restaurants, shops and bars forced to close for long periods. Most of us have only been able to 'travel' via photographs and virtual tours. So what will it be like when we can explore again? With plans afoot to ensure we can move between countries and cities safely and maintain social distancing, this is how travel might look in a post-coronavirus world.



Hotels: luxury appeal

Hotel brands already known for high standards, particularly when it comes to hygiene and cleanliness, are likely to be more trusted by customers. Personal space will also be at a premium, making "residential-style lodging options" an attractive option, believes Philipp Weghmann of Preferred Hotels & Resorts. Beachfront villas, cottages and serviced apartments – offering resort facilities while making social distancing easier – will come to the forefront, he believes.