

The Top Honeymoon Trends and Destinations for 2021

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The best honeymoon destinations of 2021 differ slightly from previous years' picks due to a seismic shift in travel and hospitality. Some areas of the world are reopening to visitors with proof of vaccinations, while travel to global honeymoon spots are expected to reopen in the near future. For now, couples have turned to closer pockets of paradise, many of the best honeymoon destinations of 2021 only a flight away for the vast majority of the country.

Travel experts affirm the best honeymoon destinations of 2021 are naturally socially distanced while providing extra layers of privacy and safety. "Resorts with free-standing villas or bungalow-style accommodations remain popular," says Virtuoso Advisor Beth Washington of Getaway Guild. "[That way,] honeymooners can travel abroad and still comfortably social distance." Below, explore the best honeymoon destinations to consider as you embark on honeymoon planning with your S.O. After all—following a year of pivoting and planning a wedding during COVID, congrats! You're ready to set off for your honeymoon as newlyweds.

Jamaica

A haven for adventurous couples seeking a top-notch, all-inclusive resort, Jamaica is home to a diverse range of terrain. From mountainous and hilly regions to pristine sandy beaches along its southern coast, the country is also world-renowned for producing the likes of Bob Marley, Blue Mountain Coffee and Ian Fleming's 14 James Bond novels. Couples can enjoy everything from waterfall hikes to bamboo rafting and ocean water sports. Plus, it helps that multiple all-inclusive resorts, catering specifically to honeymooners, have prime, oceanfront real estate all around the country.



GoldenEye, Courtesy of Island Outpost

What to Do: Explore the Bob Marley Museum; Swim and hike Dunn's River Falls; Take in Seven Mile Beach; Explore a haunted house at Rose Hall Great Hall; Enjoy sunrise at Blue Mountain Peak.

Requirements: Must provide proof of a negative COVID PCR or rapid test before stepping on the flight; Must sign all relevant docs through Jamaican Tourism Board; Must provide negative COVID test before returning home; View updated requirements here.

Where to Stay: GoldenEye; Sandals Royal Caribbean, Hyatt Zilara Rose Hall, Half Moon