



DREAM DESTINATIONS TO PLAN FOR – AND STAND-INS THAT WILL GET YOU TRAVELING NOW.

We asked Virtuoso travelers where you most want to go, and one thing was clear: You're thinking big. Far-flung beaches, safaris, and the White Continent are on your minds. And while jetting off to Greece or East Africa might not be a tomorrow possibility, now is a great time to plan big trips for 2021 and beyond. In the meantime, scratch the travel itch with local – or local-ish – destinations that bring some of the same vibes. Here are five of the places you're dreaming of now, paired with closer-to-home counterparts.

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Migratory wildebeests and zebras aren't the only ones plotting journeys around East Africa's vast savannas. Days that dawn with the call of the wild, wideopen skies, and the "big five" ranging across the grasslands speak to nature lovers now more strongly than ever – and many of you are already planning safaris for 2021 and beyond. Big Five Tours & Expeditions, Micato Safaris, and African Travel, **Inc.** help travelers explore Kenya's Maasai Mara, Tanzania's Ngorongoro Crater, and other top game-viewing areas by Land Rover and hot-air balloon. And these companies are deeply invested in conservation and giving back to communities.



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