

Who has the right to decide when you should travel? We've all Googled "where to go in summer" or "best time to visit Greece," but perhaps the question isn't about calendars, it's about what you want from your holiday.

Do you crave quiet streets, deeper connections, immersive nature or space to explore at leisure? Then it's worth considering travelling outside the defined season. Imagine walking through quiet Venetian streets in November, pausing to capture a scene when it calls to you rather than jostling for space amongst the crowds. Or wandering through sun-dappled plazas in Seville in winter, stopping for tapas in a city whose rhythm is all your own. This is the magic of off-season travel: space, intimacy and the freedom to truly connect with a place.

Travelling off-season reveals more than tranquillity. Streets, beaches and museums become yours to explore. Finding a table at popular cafés and tavernas is stress-free and conversation flows. Hotels and guides offer personal attention. Weather may be changeable, but every sunrise, misty afternoon or snow-dusted peak becomes a moment to remember.

Across Europe, the Azores are mild and walkable year-round, with low-season flights via Lisbon or Porto providing the perfect chance to combine city culture with island adventure. Lisbon itself is pleasant in winter, while the Alentejo's quiet roads invite fly-drive exploration through rolling plains, hilltop towns and vineyards. Spain glows in winter and spring: Andalucía's cities radiate warmth and history, while Castilla y León unveils golden streets, fine wines and boutique spa hotels.

Further north, the Arctic in autumn is ablaze with gold and crimson foliage, while the northern lights dance overhead. Trails beckon hikers and fat bikes, and foraging reveals the season's bounty. Norway's fjords in winter offer snow-covered serenity, perfect for reflection, slow walks and breathing deeply

in untouched landscapes - and rest assured, in typical Norwegian style, public transport and ferries continue to run to schedule.

Even the sunniest destinations reveal surprises. Greece's islands welcome post-summer visitors with quiet tavernas, harvest celebrations and stories shared over coffee. Cyprus combines mild coastal days with snow in the Troodos mountains, letting you enjoy sun and snow on the same trip. And for those seeking the extraordinary, the Galápagos in September offers island-hopping opportunities, abundant wildlife - new-born sea lion pups, and exceptional rates, without the rush of peak season; the same can be said for Costa Rica between the end of November and Christmas.

Off-season travel is not a compromise, it is about discovery, curiosity and connection. It allows you to wander freely and notice details often missed in high season. For the Sunvil team, this is considered the most rewarding way to explore the world and the period which rewards us with the greatest insight, experiences and friendships.

When you travel off-season, every place feels made for you.

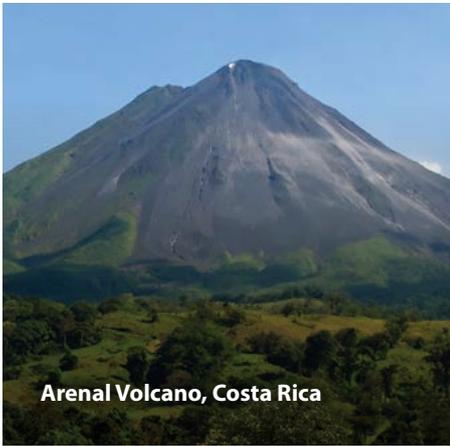
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Autumn Auroras, The Lofoten, Norway



Spring flowers on Fourni, Greece



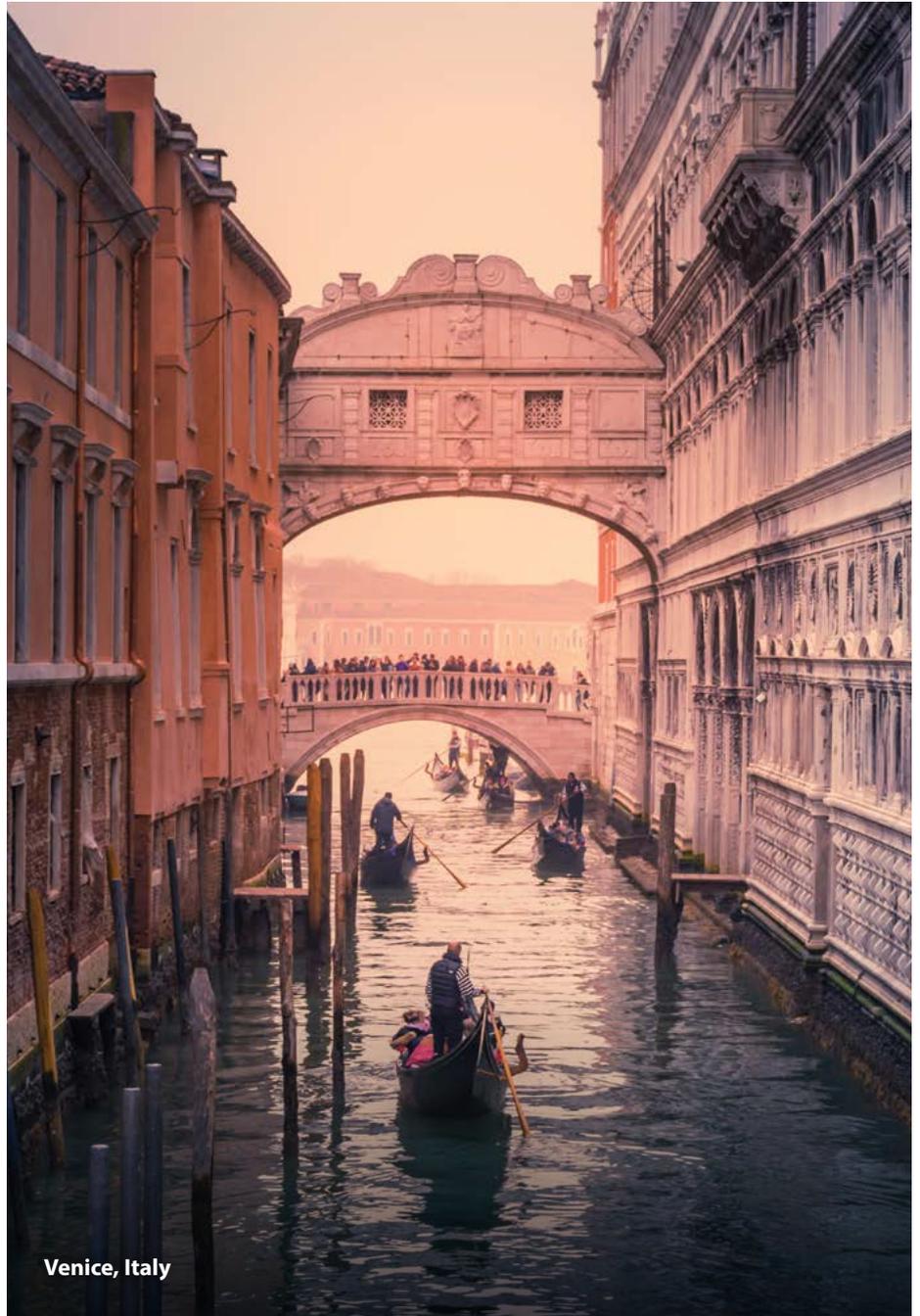
Arenal Volcano, Costa Rica



Myrtos Beach, Kefalonia, Greece



Spring in the Alentejo, Portugal



Venice, Italy



“Nothing beats a morning swim when the coast is yours alone, your only company the birds and the fishermen starting their day.”

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