

# WHEN TO GO BY CONTINENT

## When to go to America



### When visiting United States and Canada?

In the United States, certain periods should be avoided. The Death Valley is unthinkable in winter because it is completely covered with snow, while in the summer the temperature can rise to  $50\,^\circ$  C. On the East Coast, particularly in Florida, late summer is conductive to hurricanes that can be very devastating.

In the spring, Canada and the northern United States are in the period of thaw, making the streets muddy and mosquito-virulent: avoid them!

Fall, Canada experiences its famous Indian summer, in sumptuous colors, and the northern United States enjoy an ideal climate.

**In short** The months of May and June are the ones that will allow you to enjoy the United States. In the summer, North America has a warm and dry climate, ideal for visiting the national parks, but also states like Colorado, Nevada, Utah, particularly in September when the heat subsides and where the mountains do not undergo the rigors of winter.

But avoid the deserts of western United States experiencing scorching weather and Louisiana during July and August, for its hurricanes.

### When to enjoy the Caribbean sun

Hurricanes also hit the Caribbean, it is best to avoid these destinations in August and September. It is also the period of heavy rains. During the rainy season it can rain all day. In contrast, during the dry season, there is a risk of sudden showers but they do not last more than 15 minutes.

**In short** In the winter, the best time is from December to February for all the Caribbean and the French West Indies, and Cuba and Jamaica, which are very popular because of their idyllic temperatures, an average of  $28\,^{\circ}$  C and the crowd is important.

### **And South America**

The Continent has different altitudes, the climate is very different between the highlands and the coastal regions. But in general, just south of the Equator, the summers are humid and the winters are dry.

Further south of the Continent, it is rather cold in July / August and relatively warm in November / December, September and October, the spring months are conducive to a climate quite pleasant to visit Chile in particular.

**In short** The September / October and April / May are preferable. Avoid the period from January to March except for some areas of Chile and Brazil.

When to go to ... Europe?





### Depending on your preferences...

You can visit Europe all year round, it depends on what you want to do and see. In contrast, in the south, it can get very hot in summer. Cities such as Madrid and Seville in Spain frequently see their temperature rise above  $40\,^{\circ}$  C in August.

In the spring, the European climate sees temperatures soften and becoming more and more present. However, there are important differences between northern Europe and the Mediterranean coasts and between the west which is influenced by the ocean and the East well noted for its continental climate.

The rains are ubiquitous in this season and the snow remains in the north and in the mountains.

The best destinations for Europe are essentially on the edge of the Mediterranean, enjoying a sunny, like southern Italy, Andalucia, Portugal, and gradually as the spring moves in, islands such as Cyprus, Crète, Malta, and Corsica particularly beautiful in May.

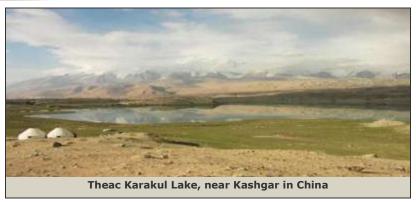
In contrast, in the north, in Scandinavia for example, either summer or winter, the country is very interesting to visit. You can see the midnight sun or the night almost continuously, strange experience.

**In short** Emphasize spring until June, and September to southern Europe. To the Far North: rather choose July and December. Avoid August (many tourists, especially in the south).

## When to go to ... Asia







### Northern Asia, Russia, China and Japan

In Russia, the climate is continental, it is very cold in winter and quite hot in the summer. Spring seems a good time to get there.

However, at the end of the summer, the Continent (especially its western part, including Japan) is hit by typhoons, violent and destructive.

**In short** choose spring, and especially avoid December

#### The South East Asia and India

The period between November and March is definitely the perfect time to travel to these areas: mild temperatures (around 20-25  $^{\circ}$  C) and it does not rain.

However, avoid from July to October, it is the monsoon season: a hot (25-30  $^{\circ}$  C) and heavy rains.

**In short** the holiday season is ideal to discover Asia. Avoid the period from July to October

### When to go in Africa





#### In Saharan Africa and the Middle East

It seems that October is the best time to go walking in the Sahara, it is still a little warm during the day but the nights are mild.

In winter, even though the days are pleasant, the nights are chilly. However, this will allow you to avoid the wind.

**In short** go primarily in the fall and avoid the month of January and the summer months

#### **Central and Southern Africa**

In general, the climate is relatively mild and dry, you can go all year round. Exception for the summer (which is in January and March, as the seasons are reversed) during which temperatures can climb very high.

**In short** choose mid-season and avoid the period from January to March

## When to go to Oceania





#### An island universe

Attention seasons are reversed. In Australia and New Zealand, the climate is temperate (except in the Australian desert or the extreme south of New Zealand), you can travel there no matter what time of year, the temperature will not fall below 10-15 ° C.

But the summer months (October to February) is the most pleasant time. In Polynesia, the weather is delightful in all seasons, but it rains a lot at the end of the year, go in midseason.

**In short** choose the Christmas period for Australia and New Zealand. April for Polynesia. Avoid July and August for Australia, and November / December for Polynesia.

**Note:** For more details, to know exactly when you go, you can go to the website: <a href="www.whentogo.com">www.whentogo.com</a> The site will help you determine the period to be the most suitable for you to travel depending on the season and where you want to go in order to enjoy it.

# Have a good trip