

Try these 18 destinations for 2018

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You know that saying about eating dessert first because life is short? It goes for travel too.

These destinations, which include cities, rivers and one ancient trading route, demand your attention in the year ahead.

Some have opened new attractions, some are planning big parties to celebrate major anniversaries and others have prospered by staying out of trouble. Here are your 18 for '18, in alphabetical order.

18. Zambia



An aerial view of Victoria Falls, Zambezi River. (DEA / V. Giannella / De Agostini/Getty Images)

This small African nation shares the Zambezi River, Lake Kariba and Victoria Falls with Zimbabwe and is a prime spot for viewing wildlife. In early 2017 the luxurious [King Lewanika Lodge](#) opened with six villas in Liuwa Plain National Park in western Zambia.

Also last year, African Bush Camps completed a major renovation of the [Thorntree River Lodge](#), near Victoria Falls. [CroisiEurope Cruises'](#) eight-suite river cruise ship African Dream debuted last year on the Zambezi and Chobe rivers; the company hopes to unveil an [African Dream II](#) to navigate the same two rivers in December.

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