

## Europe a Top Pick for U.S. Travelers

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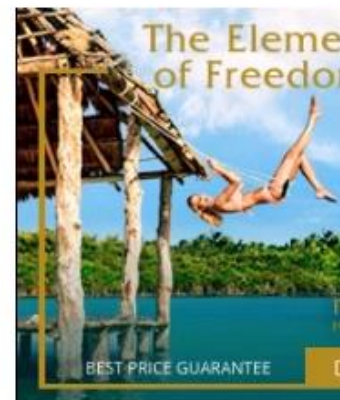
*The Castillo de Almodovar del Rio in Cordoba, Spain.*

Last week, the U.S. Department of State sent out a travel alert concerning Europe, stating that there's continued threat of terrorist attacks throughout Europe. The travel alert, which expires on Nov. 30, 2017, might deter some U.S. travelers from visiting Europe, but according to data released by **Virtuoso** during last month's **Virtuoso Travel Week**—prior to the travel alert—six of the top 10 slots where upscale Americans are heading this fall and holiday season are in Europe.

The most popular fall and holiday travel destinations for U.S. travelers based on future bookings are: 1. Italy; 2. United Kingdom; 3. France; 4. South Africa; 5. Spain; 6. Mexico; 7. Australia; 8. Netherlands; 9. Germany; and 10. China.

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