



FOUR BEST BEACHES IN EUROPE



[Zlatni Rat Beach | Brač Island, Croatia](#)

Why we chose it: Between its smooth white-pebbled shore, century-old pine forest, and horn-like shape that changes with the wind and currents, it's hard to find a more picturesque beach in Europe.

When to go: June, September–October

Where to stay: Starlight Luxury Rooms, Split

Nearby activities:

- Hiking on Vidova Gora, the highest point in the Adriatic islands
- 16th-century Blaca Monastery, now a museum

How to get around: Ferry or catamaran from Split to Bol, regular bus service on the island

Best restaurants: Aria, Belvedere Dalmatian



Praia da Marinha | Algarve, Portugal

Why we chose it: Colorful cliffs, sculpted rock formations, and calm, transparent waters make this iconic stretch of shoreline irresistible.

When to go: June, September

Where to stay: Hotel Maritur, Albufeira

Nearby activities:

- The Sete Vales Suspensos trail along the Algarve coast
- Fort of Nossa Senhora da Rocha—a medieval castle in Porches
- Benagil Caves

How to get around: The beach can only be accessed by car, but your clients can get around the area by train or bus as well.

Best restaurants: Restaurante Ocean, Tasca 26, Le Cro Portugal



[Elafonisi Beach | Crete, Greece](#)

Why we chose it: Pink-tinged sand lines the coast of the lagoon, and your clients can wade through the shallow water—or walk at low tide—to a nature reserve on Elafonisi Island.

When to go: May–June, September–October

Where to stay: Porto Veneziano Hotel, Chania

Nearby activities:

- 17th-century Chrysoskalitissa Monastery, on rocks overlooking the Libyan Sea
- Samariá Gorge National Park and Biosphere Reserve

How to get around: Car, boat, bus (1.5-hour drive from Chania)

Best restaurants: Sunset Tavern, Kosmos Fish Tavern



[Playa de Bolonia | Tarifa, Spain](#)

Why we chose it: It's considered one of Andalusia's best-kept secrets—a serene small-town getaway featuring one of the largest sand dune systems in Europe.

When to go: April–May, September–October

Where to stay: Monte Puertatierra Hotel, Cádiz

Nearby activities:

- Baelo Claudio, a Roman archaeological excavation site
- Barbate sea cliffs and walking trails
- Village of Santa Lucia

How to get around: Car

Best restaurants: Restaurante Otero, Serenade Bolonia, Las Rejas