

20 Most Romantic Winter Getaways Around the World — From Snowy Mountain Towns to Sunny Islands

Sparks fly in these destinations that are ideal for a winter couples trip.

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There’s something about a winter getaway to a mountain town filled with all the textbook cozy, cold-weather stuff that just screams romance. Imagine spending the day skiing, cuddling up on a sofa with a hot toddy or cup of mulled wine, heading to a dimly lit bistro for dinner, and retiring to a fireplace-warmed room at a charming slopeside hotel. Then again, jetting off to a warm-weather island in the Caribbean that has blue skies, beaches, and toes-in-the-sandy luxury resorts — and will leave you with that post-vacation glow — is guaranteed to get the sparks flying, too. The frosty season also stands out as the ideal time to visit a major city like [Paris](#) or [New York City](#) to get swept up in the cosmopolitan charisma and culture without droves of other tourists. And it’s worth considering a once-in-a-lifetime trip during a period that’s typically slower, which means more wallet-friendly rates and fewer travelers.

Searching for some inspiration for a couples-oriented escape that’s sure to delight during the months of December, January, and February? Read on for 20 incredibly romantic winter getaways experts love — and you will, too.

01 | Paris, France



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Paris ignites sparks in [all seasons](#). A winter getaway to the City of Love is especially romantic. As the flakes fall and nights get longer, the French capital looks like a movie set come to life. It’s impossible not to fall in love with candlelit dinners, Seine river cruises, and sharing a bottle of red at an atmospheric wine bar. And, of course, few things are more amour-inducing than watching the skyline sparkle from above alongside your sweetie. The rooftop at [Hôtel Dame des Arts](#) boasts panoramic views of major monuments.

02 | Maldives



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It’s hard to think of anywhere more quintessentially romantic than the [Maldives](#). Couples looking to escape the cold will discover more than warm weather and sunny skies. White-sand beaches and shimmering blue water are just some of the most alluring traits. The islands also brim with [luxury resorts](#) that personify paradise. "At [Six Senses Laamu](#), guests can spend days swimming with manta rays, relaxing in total seclusion, getting pampered at the spa, and dining by candlelight steps from the water," says Caroline Quinn, travel expert at [Black Tomato](#).

03 | Charleston, South Carolina



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With incredible Lowcountry cuisine, postcard-worthy architecture, and [sophisticated boutique hotels](#), [Charleston](#) charms year-round. When the thermometer drops and the crowds thin, it’s even more magical and romantic. And while it’s no secret the Holy City pulls out all the stops for the holidays, the twinkling lights stay up even after Santa departs. Frosty temps beckon couples to cuddle in cozy restaurants and fireside cocktail bars or go for bundled-up strolls along the waterfront. At [The Spectator Hotel](#), personal butlers even draw candlelit rose baths for guests.

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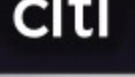
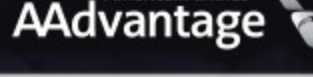
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