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10 Underrated European Cities You Can't Miss

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Some of Europe's best travel experiences often happen away from the big-name capitals: along quiet coastlines, in artsy second cities, or within walled towns where life moves at a slower pace. This list is for travelers who've seen Paris and Rome and are craving something a little different—without giving up great food, gorgeous settings, or a standout place to stay at the end of the day. From Montenegro's calm bays to Puglia's sun-drenched towns, here are 10 underrated European destinations worth adding to your radar.

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Vence, France



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Set in the hills above the French Riviera, Vence is a quieter, more soulful escape than its glitzy, coastal neighbors—winding lanes, Provençal markets, and sun-washed cafés without the flash. The town has long drawn artists and creatives (Matisse designed the Rosary Chapel here), and nearby Saint-Paul-de-Vence is home to world-class galleries, sculpture gardens, and some of the Côte d’Azur’s most elegant boutique stays.

How to get there: Fly into Nice Côte d’Azur Airport, then it’s a 30-minute drive into the hills. Vence also pairs well with a Provence or Côte d’Azur road trip.

Where to stay:

Toile Blanche. A contemporary, art-filled hideaway run by a family of artists, with suites that open onto olive trees and sweeping valley views.

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