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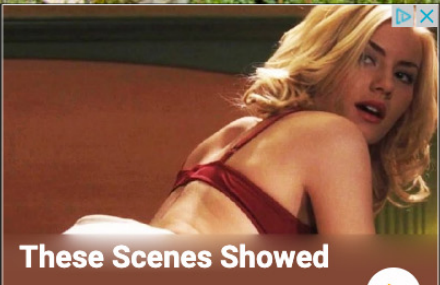
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Santorini, Greece

With more than two million visitors every year, this picturesque but small island is starting to feel more like a crowded cruise ship and less like a luxurious, quiet getaway.



Sidi Bou Saïd, Tunisia

To get your fix of a blue and white seaside wonderland, head to this beautiful port city in Tunisia instead. It's just as picturesque but also cheaper.



[Pics] The Largest, Most Massive Animals On The Planet



Galápagos Islands, Ecuador

This archipelago in South America has become synonymous with natural wonders and incredible wildlife, but the number of visitors is threatening to cause deterioration.



Kirstie Alley, 71, Is

Azores, Portugal

This archipelago in the mid-Atlantic has stunning landscapes similar to the Galápagos and is home to more than 6,000 different species.

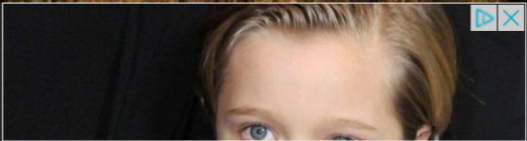


Julia Roberts' Daughter

Dubrovnik, Croatia

With the rise of “*Game of Thrones*,” Dubrovnik has seen an influx of tourists over the years. This beautiful coastal city may have clear, turquoise waters and history galore, but the busyness is unappealing.





Try Not To Gasp When You See
Shiloh Jolie-Pitt After Her
Transition

Rovinj, Istria, Croatia

Instead of Dubrovnik, head to the Istria Peninsula to the city of Rovinj. This picturesque Mediterranean town has all the same charm as Dubrovnik, minus all the people.

