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Dubai is out, Croatia is in for celeb travel

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Dubai used to be a hot spot for jet-setting celebs, until it revealed its money problems

Morocco is the new destination for Gwyneth Paltrow, Orlando Bloom and Salma Hayek

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(The Frisky) -- With over-the-top resorts, year-round sunshine, killer shopping, picturesque beaches, and the world's tallest building, Dubai quickly became the celebrity destination of choice.

Not only were the Beckhams and Jolie-Pitts falling all over themselves to jet-set to the Persian Gulf, many were even investing in real estate there.

Well, until the government went public with their \$80 million worth of financial woes.

Now that Dubai is donezo, where will the celebrities go to hide away from the unwashed masses? Morocco.

Just this past weekend, a bunch of A-listers jetted to Marrakesh to celebrate the opening of a Chopard boutique at the La Mamounia Hotel. Jennifer Aniston, Gwyneth Paltrow, Orlando Bloom, Salma Hayek, Miranda Kerr and Juliette Binoche were just a few of the guests in attendance. Could this signify a renaissance of the '60s bohemian hot spot? [[Celebitchy](#)]

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Croatia: The civil war is long over and celebs are rediscovering what tourists knew in the 1980s. Croatia -- on the Adriatic arm of the Mediterranean -- rivals other European seaside areas with beaches, sailing, and superb cuisine that's attracted superstars like Steven Spielberg, Andre Agassi, Gwyneth Paltrow, Robert De Niro, Clint Eastwood, and Sharon Stone.

Turks and Caicos: Funny name, amazing islands. Since the opening of a handful of luxury resorts in the '90s, this British West Indies 40-island archipelago has been working hard to make tourists forget about its shady past as a drug-smuggling hotbed. The exquisite beaches have called to Donna Karan, Barbra Streisand and Britney Spears.

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South Africa: With the World Cup in Cape Town fast approaching, tourists are running to score a vacation here. Just ask Oprah, Beyonce, and Kim Kardashian.

Bora Bora: One of the 118 islands that make up French Polynesia, Bora Bora is making celebs skip Tahiti because of its coral gardens and lavish spas. "Couples Retreat" was filmed there if you need a visual. Janet Jackson, Pierce Brosnan, Drew Barrymore and Cameron Diaz can't all be wrong.

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Kenya: Perfect weather, top-of-the-line accommodations, and scarcity of local media make this African country the perfect place to hide out. Bill Gates, Naomi Campbell, Serena and Venus Williams, and Oprah have all slipped under the radar here.

Whistler, British Columbia: Sure, we know celebs are out and about every winter in Aspen, but this year folks like Sandra Bullock and Harrison Ford may be taking their expensive skis and snowboards to Whistler, BC. Oh yeah ... and the 2010 Winter Olympics will be there as well.

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