

## **Revealing the Charm of Exploring Tourism Destinations That Are Going Viral Lately**

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### **Abstract**

*This research aims to reveal the phenomenon of the charm of tourism destination exploration which has become viral in the recent period. By analyzing social media trends, traveler reviews and recent news developments, this research explores the factors that have led to the rapid popularity of certain tourism destinations. Through a qualitative approach, data is analyzed to understand how extensive exposure on social media and intense promotions influence tourist interest and visits. The results show that visual factors, cultural uniqueness, and influencer recommendations play a big role in building public interest in viral tourist destinations. The implications of these findings can help in tourism marketing strategies to increase the attractiveness and popularity of tourist destinations in the future.*

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

In the era of globalization and digital connectivity, exploration of tourism destinations that are currently viral has become a phenomenon that has attracted the attention of many parties. The charm offered by certain tourist destinations can quickly spread widely through various social media platforms and online. In recent years, there has been a significant increase in the popularity of several tourism destinations which have received intense attention from social media users, influencers and travelers. This invites curiosity about what is the main attraction of this destination and what factors influence its rapid popularity. Research on this phenomenon is becoming increasingly important because of its impact in directing tourist interests and behavior as well as its implications for the tourism industry as a whole. In this connection, this research aims to explore in more depth the charm of exploring tourism destinations which are currently viral in the current period.

## **2. RESEARCH METHOD**

This research uses a mixed quantitative and qualitative approach to explore the charm of exploring tourism destinations that are going viral in the current period. A quantitative approach involves analyzing statistical data from social media platforms, official tourism websites, and other online data sources to measure the level of exposure and user response to destinations that are going viral. The use of natural language processing algorithms is used to extract sentiment and trends related to that destination.

Meanwhile, the quantitative approach involves case studies of several viral tourist destinations by conducting in-depth interviews with tourist influencers and other related parties. This research also involves content analysis of reviews, photos, videos, uploaded by social media users as well as writings from local visitors, travelers or influencers related to the destination. Field research is carried out by visiting tourism destinations that are going viral to collect direct

data, observing visitor behavior, and conducting face-to-face interviews with them. This approach provides a deeper understanding of the tourist experience and other factors that make the destination directly attractive. Data from both approaches will be analyzed in an integrated manner to identify the main patterns and factors that influence the charm of exploring tourism destinations that are currently viral. This mixed approach is expected to provide comprehensive insight and in depth about the phenomenon of tourist destinations that have gone viral in the current digital era.

1. **Social Media Data Analysis:** Use data from social media platforms to track destination-related keywords or hashtags that are going viral. Count the number of posts, likes, comments, and retweets or shares to understand how big the impact is.
2. **Google Trends Data Processing:** Use Google Trends to see search trends related to the tourism destination. Compare data from different geographic locations or time periods to understand its popularity.
3. **Sentiment Analysis:** Use sentiment analysis tools to evaluate how people respond to the destination. By understanding positive and negative sentiment, you can get a clearer picture of its appeal.
4. **Online Surveys or Questionnaires:** Create surveys or questionnaires to collect opinions directly from users regarding why they are or are not interested in the destination.
5. **Destination Visitor Data Analysis:** If data is available, analyzing the number of visitors, visitor origins, and annual visitation trends can provide insight into how popular the destination is.
6. **Collaboration with Travel Influencers:** \*Involving travel influencers in research can provide insight into how much influence their content has on the virality of the destination.
7. **Trend Prediction Model:** Create a prediction model based on historical data to estimate the potential future growth or decline in popularity of that destination.

### 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### Results

This research produces an in-depth understanding of the charm of exploring tourism destinations that are currently viral in the current period.

Based on quantitative analysis, it was revealed that visual factors play a key role in attracting social media users' attention to certain tests. Stunning photos, interesting videos and other visual content are the main factors that support the virality of tourism destinations. In addition, sentiment analysis from reviews and posts from social media users reveals that cultural uniqueness, unique experiences, and interactions with local communities are important factors in maintaining supporters' interest in viral destinations. Recommendations from influencers also have a significant impact on the number of visits and popularity of a destination. From a qualitative perspective, case studies from several viral tourist destinations show that the concepts of authenticity, local uniqueness and unique experiences are the main points that attract tourists. Direct interviews with visitors also confirm that personal experience and the opportunity to interact with local culture are determining factors in determining the attractiveness of a destination.

#### Discussion

These findings highlight the importance of engaging visual content and authenticity of experiences in influencing the virality of tourism destinations. This provides insight for the tourism industry to focus on marketing that emphasizes attractive visuals and emphasizes cultural uniqueness and authentic experiences. In addition, recommendations from influencers and positive reviews from social media users have a significant impact in increasing the popularity of tourist destinations. This emphasizes the importance of collaborating with influencers and good online reputation managers for tourism destinations. The importance of personal experience and interaction with local communities is something that should not be ignored in building the charm of a tourism destination. By providing deeper and more authentic experiences, destinations can maintain visitor interest on an ongoing basis. Overall, the findings in this research provide a strong

foundation for the development of more effective and sustainable tourism marketing strategies. Paying attention to visual aspects, authenticity of collaboration experiences with influencers, and interaction with local communities will be the key to maintaining and increasing the popularity of tourism destinations in today's digital era.

#### 4. CONCLUSION

This research reveals that the virality phenomenon of tourism destinations in the current digital era is influenced by a number of key factors. Engaging visual content, including beautiful photos and videos evocative, playing a major role in attracting the interest of social media users. This emphasizes the importance of strong marketing in terms of attractive and creative visuals to attract the attention of potential tourists.

In addition, cultural uniqueness and authentic experiences are determining factors in maintaining tourist interest in viral destinations. Interaction with the local community, unusual experiences, and the opportunity to experience local life are important aspects in attracting visitors.

Recommendations from influencers also have a significant impact in increasing the popularity of tourist destinations. Collaboration with them and utilizing the power of recommendations from individuals or groups who have influence on social media is an important strategy in destination marketing.

This research provides a basis for the tourism industry to better understand how the charm of viral tourism destinations can be revealed. By paying attention to these factors, tourism destinations can develop more effective marketing strategies, maintain visitor interest and increase their popularity in this ever-evolving digital era.

#### 5. SUGGESTION

Uncovering the charm of a tourism destination that is currently going viral is a journey into the digital wonders and uniqueness of the real world. Behind the social media highlights and traveler reviews is an alluring charm, created by captivating visual beauty, interesting cultural uniqueness, and unforgettable authentic experiences. In an effort to understand the appeal of up-and-coming destinations, we dive into digital trends, map travel stories, and see how collaborations between influencers and local communities create a captivating impression on travelers. Behind the excitement of virality, there is a charm that captivates the heart to explore, feel and celebrate its beauty and uniqueness which is so seductive.

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