

Horace, the Roman poet, was probably not foretelling the age of budget airlines when he remarked more than 2,000 years ago: "They change their climate, not their soul, who rush across the sea."

Nonetheless, it is a poignant observation for our age; an age when the spectre of climate change casts a shadow over our carbon-intensive lifestyles, not least our voracious appetite to travel in fossil-fuelled planes. A new book called 100 Places to Go Before They Disappear is, on one level, an awesome collection of photography beautiful and heavy enough to grace any coffee table. But it also is a mournful tease: a mesmerising reminder of the places around the planet that are now gravely threatened by the impacts of climate change – rising sea levels, desertification, flooding, deep thaws – predicted to come to pass over the next century as greenhouse gas emissions continue to rise. (...)

The article:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/2011/may/12/100-places-under-threat-global-warming>

More about:

<http://www.newsweek.com/feature/2010/100-places-to-remember.html>

The book:

<http://www.100places.com/en/>