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New Orleans Tops List of Best U.S. Cities

New Orleans is No. 1 of 25 U.S. cities rated on culture, entertainment, markets and dining, according in a poll by *Travel + Leisure* magazine and CNN Headline News. New Orleans ranked No. 1 in various categories that reinforce its legendary reputation for nightlife and music including cocktail hour, live music and night out as well as cheap eats. At No. 2 over all, New York received more No. 1 rankings (14) than any other destination, but respondents also said it was the most overrated city in America. The survey generated nearly 60,000 responses.

CULTURE

Architecture and Notable Buildings

1. Washington, D.C.
2. Charleston, S.C.
3. Chicago

Historical Sites and Monuments

1. Washington, D.C.
2. Philadelphia
3. Boston

Museums and Galleries

1. Washington, D.C.
2. New York
3. Chicago



Theater

1. New York
2. Minneapolis/St. Paul
3. Chicago

Underground Arts Scene

1. New York
2. San Francisco
3. Austin, Texas



SHOPPING

Antiques

1. New Orleans
2. Charleston, S.C.
3. Boston

Home Design

1. Chicago
2. Charleston, S.C.
3. San Francisco

Jewelry

1. New York
2. Santa Fe, N.M.
3. Los Angeles

Luxury Boutiques

1. New York
2. Los Angeles
3. Las Vegas

Shoes

1. New York
2. Los Angeles
3. Chicago

Vintage Clothing/Jewelry

1. New York
2. New Orleans
3. San Francisco

PEOPLE

Athletic/Active

1. Denver
2. San Diego
3. Portland, Ore.

Attractive

1. Miami
2. San Diego
3. Charleston, S.C.

Diverse

1. New York
2. San Francisco
3. New Orleans

Friendliest

1. Charleston, S.C.
2. New Orleans
3. Minneapolis/St. Paul

Fun

1. New Orleans
2. Austin, Texas
3. Honolulu



Intelligent

1. Seattle
2. Minneapolis/St. Paul
3. Boston

Stylish

1. New York
2. Miami
3. San Francisco

Worldly

1. Washington, D.C.
2. San Francisco
3. New York

FOOD/DINING

Barbeque

1. Austin, Texas
2. San Antonio, Texas
3. Nashville, Tenn.

Big Name Restaurants

1. New York
2. New Orleans
3. Chicago

Cheap Eats

1. New Orleans
2. Austin, Texas
3. Philadelphia

Ethnic Food

1. New York
2. San Francisco
3. New Orleans

Farmer's Market

1. Seattle
2. Portland, Ore.
3. Philadelphia

Pizza

1. Chicago
2. New York
3. Philadelphia

CITYSCAPE

Access to the Outdoors

1. Portland, Ore.
2. Denver
3. Honolulu

Cleanliness

1. Minneapolis/St. Paul
2. Portland, Ore.
3. San Diego

Notable Neighborhoods

1. San Francisco
2. New York
3. Boston

Pedestrian Friendliness

1. Portland, Ore.
2. Charleston, S.C.
3. Santa Fe, N.M.

Public Parks and Spaces

1. Portland, Ore.
2. Minneapolis/St. Paul
3. Chicago

Skyline Views

1. Chicago
2. New York
3. San Francisco



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