



TOP OF THE CHARTS

Austin continues to gain favorability as one of the nation's top travel destinations. But don't take our word for it – check out what leading publications and research firms are saying:

- Austin ranked #8 on Travel + Leisure's World's Best Survey - "The Best Cities for Food in the United States" (Nov. 2016)
- Austin places on Conde Nast Travelers – 2016 Readers' Choice Awards for "[The Best Big Cities in the U.S.](#)" (Oct. 2016)
- Austin earns perfect score of 100 in Human Rights Campaign's [2016 Municipal Equality Index](#) (Oct. 2016)
- Austin has been awarded best destination at the [News UK Travel Awards](#), including the Sunday Times Magazine editor's award. (Sept. 2016)
- Bicycling Magazine names Austin #7 on list of "[The 50 Best Bike Cities of 2016](#)" (Sept. 2016)
- Conde Nast Traveler names Austin #5 friendliest on list of "[The 2016 Friendliest and Unfriendliest Cities in the U.S.](#)" (Aug. 2016)
- Travel + Leisure places Austin #9 on list of "[The Best Cities in the U.S.](#)" (July 2016)
- Travel + Leisure places Austin-Bergstrom International Airport #4 on list of "[The Best Domestic Airports](#)" (July 2016)
- Austin's [Hamilton Pool](#) makes Country Living's list, "[27 of the Most Beautiful Places in America](#)" (June 2016)
- Austin's [McKinney Falls](#) makes Travel Channel's list of "[Top Secret Swimming Holes](#)" (June 2016)
- Austin #6 on list of "[Top 10 American Cities for Dogs \(and the people who love them\)](#)" (June. 2016)
- Redfin names Austin #3 on "[The Top 10 Most Bikeable Downtowns](#)" list around the country. (May 2016)
- Austin named #4, "[2016 LGBT Travelers Rising Stars Destinations](#)" by gogobot awards. (April 2016)
- Austin ranks in the top 20 large cities with the most vibrant art community in America, according to [SMU's National Center for Arts Research](#). (March 2016)
- The Austin Convention Center was named one of the Best Convention Centers by Smart Meetings (2016)
- Three Austin music venues make "[The 100 Greatest American Music Venues](#)" list: Stubbs (6th), The Mohawk (24th) and Moody Theater (42nd). (2016)
- Austin's Zilker Park named third "Best City Park" in the USA by [USA Today](#). (April 2016)
- Austin named #2 best place to live in the U.S. according to [U.S. News and World Report](#) (April 2016)
- The #1 City for Young Families by ValuePenguin (February 2016)
- One of The Best Cities in North America by [Travel + Leisure](#), part of the World's Best survey (February 2016)
- Austin ranked #5 on The Top 25 Future-Ready U.S. Cities by PCMA Convene (February 2016)