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Youll wonder why you dont live in Portland after youve visited this laid-back and friendly city. With a reputation for manicured parks, eclectic nightlife, fine micro-breweries and distilleries, and nature that cuts right into the city, Portlands a Pacific Northwest must-visit. Dont miss the famous Japanese Garden, one of the largest and most beautiful of
its kind outside of Japan.Revenue impacts the experiences featured on this page, learn more. Pick a category to filter your recs. Properties ranked using Tripadvisor data including reviews, ratings, and number of page views. Portland Is Great For - Italian, Bar, Pizza - American, Pub, Vegetarian friendly Backwoods Brewing Company - American, Bar, Pub
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attractions include the Japanese Gardens, known as some of the best outside of Japan, and Washington Park, which houses the Pittock Mansion and Rose Garden. The Portland Art Museum also comes highly recommended for those interested in cultural experiences. Forum users have highlighted Portland's vibrant food scene, with a focus on vegan
and vegetarian options like Blossoming Lotus. The Pearl District is noted for its art galleries and boutiques, offering both shopping and visual arts experiences. For nature enthusiasts, posts suggest visiting Forest Park and the nearby Columbia River Gorge for outdoor activities. The waterfront area and the Saturday Market are also popular for
leisurely outdoor activities and experiencing local crafts and foods. This summary was generated by AI from Tripadvisor forum posts. What are the recommended hotels in Portland? According to forum posts. The Benson, the
Heathman, and the Inn at Northrup Station are also frequently suggested for their good reputation and central location. Some travelers have highlighted that The Nines offers a luxurious stay with preferable amenities. The Inn at Northrup Station is noted for its vibrant ambiance and proximity to local attractions, making it a favorite for both short
and longer stays. Travelers have called out the Pearl District and the Nob Hill area as desirable locations for hotel stays due to their access to restaurants, bars, and shops. The McMenamins properties, including the Crystal Hotel and the Kennedy School, offer a unique, more local experience with a reasonable price point. For many users, factors such
as proximity to public transportation, ease of access to local attractions like Powell's Books, and the availability of parking are important. These criteria often influence their hotel choice in Portland? According to forum posts, travelers
exploring downtown Portland have a few parking options. SmartPark garages are highlighted as affordable choices with rates like $5-$6 overnight or a maximum of $12 daily. These garages do not offer in/out privileges, which means you'll need to pay each time you exit. Some travelers mentioned that metered parking in the Downtown District
operates from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, costing about $2.00 per hour. Outside these hours, street parking is free, though early morning meter feeding is necessary. For those looking for possibly cheaper or different parking options, users suggested considering parking at the airport economy lots
and taking public transit downtown. This could be a more economical choice if the plan includes leaving the car parked for extended periods without needing access. This summary was generated by AI from Tripadvisor forum posts. What are the transportation options to and from Portland? According to forum posts, Portland offers a robust public
transportation system, primarily managed by TriMet. Travelers have called out the helpfulness of the TriMet website for planning trips around the city. Additionally, Google Maps is recommended for real-time bus, streetcar, and light rail stop information. For intercity travel, some travelers mentioned the availability of the Amtrak service and various
bus services like Bolt Bus for trips between Portland and Seattle. The Amtrak Cascades is noted for scenic routes along Puget Sound and the Columbia River, although delays can occur due to track sharing with freight trains. Several users discussed the utility of ride-sharing services like Uber for trips outside the city, such as to Newberg for winery
visits, although availability can be limited in remote areas. For airport transfers, services like Groome Transportation are available for direct routes to cities like Corvallis and Albany. This summary was generated by AI from Tripadvisor forum posts. What are the family-friendly areas in Portland? According to forum posts, several areas in Portland are
highlighted as family-friendly. The Mississippi/Williams, Alberta, Hawthorne, Division/Clinton, and NW 23rd/21st areas are recommended for their lively commercial strips filled with restaurants, bars, and shops. These neighborhoods are described as fun, clean, and safe, making them suitable for families looking to explore the city's charm. Travelers
have called out specific attractions suitable for families with children. The Oregon Zoo, OMSI (Oregon Museum of Science and Industry), and the aerial tram are popular for family outings. For outdoor activities, the International Rose Test Garden and various city parks like the Westmoreland Nature Play area provide ample space for children to play
and explore. For accommodations, the Inn @ Northrup Station is mentioned for its family-friendly amenities like full kitchen suites and free passes for the historic streetcar. This hotel is located in the walkable 23rd/21st Street neighborhood, which is rich in dining and shopping options, making it an ideal choice for families staying in Portland. This
summary was generated by AI from Tripadvisor forum posts. What tours are available in the Columbia River Gorge, e-bike, or van, and potentially a Mt. Hood Fruit Loop tour. Some travelers mentioned using
Around Portland Tours, which covers Multnomah Falls and other lesser-known falls. Travelers have discussed specific tour experiences such as a day cruise on the Columbia River offered through Portland Spirit, which also provides dinner cruises. For those interested in more active pursuits, bike tours along the waterfall route are popular, providing
an intimate experience of the area's natural beauty. For visitors looking for a comprehensive experience, it was suggested that they visit to the Columbia River Gorge. This summary was generated by AI from Tripadvisor forum posts.
What are the accommodations options in the Pearl District? According to forum posts, the Pearl District offers several accommodation options including the Hampton Inn & Suites, which is noted for being pricey but provides a central location near 9th and Everett. The Canopy by Hilton is also in the Pearl and is often mentioned for its proximity to
local shops and restaurants. Some travelers suggested looking outside the Pearl District, is frequently recommended for its quirky Portland vibe and proximity to dining and shopping areas on NW 21st & NW 23rd. It's noted for offering good value with amenities like a
full kitchen and a balcony in its rooms. Travelers have called out other hotels such as the McMenamins Crystal Hotel for those seeking a funkier stay, and the Residence Inn, which is closer to the river but still within reach of the Pearl District's attractions. This summary was generated by AI from Tripadvisor forum posts. What are accommodations like
near PDX airport? According to forum posts, several hotels near PDX offer amenities suited for travelers with varying needs. The Radisson Hotel Portland Airport is praised for its spacious rooms and excellent food, and it offers a 24/7
shuttle service that requires a pre-arranged ticket. Travelers have called out Cascade Station as a preferable area to stay due to its cleanliness, safety, and proximity to dining options like Buffalo Wild Wings and Dave's BBQ. Hotels like the Holiday Inn Express, Aloft, and Hyatt Place are recommended for their central location in this area. Some users
suggest the Kennedy School for a unique stay; it's a renovated school with bars, restaurants, and a movie theater, located a short distance from the airport. For those prioritizing budget, the Best Western Pony Soldier Inn offers breakfast and is near a moderate restaurant, Elmer's. This summary was generated by AI from Tripadvisor forum posts.
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Bancorp TowerPioneer Courthouse SquareTilikum CrossingFlagSealNickname(s): "Rose City"; "Stumptown"; "PDX"; see Nicknames of PortlandLocation in OregonShow map of OregonPortlandLocation in the United StatesShow map of the United
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northwest Oregon at the confluence of the Willamette and Columbia rivers, it is the county, Oregon's most populous city in the United States, the sixth most populous on the West Coast, and the third most populous in the
Pacific Northwest after Seattle and Vancouver.[12] Approximately 2.5 million people live in the Portland metro area, making it the 26th most population resides within the Portland, Maine,[13] which is itself named after England's Isle of Portland, the
Oregon settlement began to be populated near the end of the Oregon Trail in the 1840s. Its water access provided convenient transportation of goods, and the timber industry was a major force in the city's early economy. At the turn of the 20th century, the city had a reputation as one of the most dangerous port cities in the world, and was a hub for
organized crime and racketeering; this reputation dissipated after its economy experienced an industrial boom during World War II, and it became known for its growing liberal and progressive political values from the 1960s onwards, [14] earning it a reputation of counterculture exemplified by the popular slogan "Keep Portland Weird".
[15] This aspect of the city has since been championed by organizations such as Weird Portland United[16] and the comedy series Portlandia (20112018).[17] The city operates with a mayor council government system, guided by a mayor and 12 city councilors, as well as Metro, the only directly elected metropolitan planning organization in the United
States.[18][19] Its climate is marked by warm, dry summers and cool, rainy winters. This climate is ideal for growing roses, and Portland, OregonFor a chronological guide, see Timeline of Portland, Oregon.During the prehistoric period, the land that would
become Portland was flooded after the collapse of glacial dams from Lake Missoula, in what would later become Montana. These massive floods occurred during the last ice age and filled the Willamette Valley with 300 to 400 feet (91 to 122m) of water. [21] Before American settlers began arriving in the 1800s, the land was inhabited for many
centuries by two bands of indigenous Chinook people the Multnomah and the Clackamas. [22] The Chinook people occupying the land were first documented in 1805 by Meriwether Lewis and William Clark. [23] Before its European settlement, the Portland Basin of the lower Columbia River and William Clark.
densely populated regions on the Pacific Coast.[23]Pioneer Courthouse, 18861890 map of PortlandLarge numbers of pioneer settlers began arriving in the Willamette Valley in the 1840s via the Oregon Trail with many arriving in the Willamette River,[25] roughly
halfway between Oregon City and Hudson's Bay Company's Fort Vancouver. This community was initially referred to as "Stumptown" and "The Clearing" because of the many trees cut down to allow for its growth.[26] In 1843 William Overton saw potential in the new settlement but lacked the funds to file an official land claim. For 25 cents, Overton
agreed to share half of the 640-acre (2.6km2) site with Asa Lovejoy of Boston.[27]In 1844, Overton sold his remaining half of the claim to Francis W. Pettygrove of Portland, Maine. Both Pettygrove and Lovejoy wished to rename "The Clearing" after their respective hometowns (Lovejoy's being Boston, and Pettygrove's, Portland). This controversy was
settled with a coin toss that Pettygrove won in a series of two out of three tosses, thereby providing Portland with its namesake.[2] The coin used for this decision, now known as the Portland Penny, is on display in the headquarters of the Oregon Historical Society. At the time of its incorporation on February 8, 1851, Portland had over 800
inhabitants,[28] a steam sawmill, a log cabin hotel, and a newspaper, the Weekly Oregonian. A major fire swept through downtown in August 1873, destroying twenty blocks on the west side of the Willamette along Yamhill and Morrison Streets, and causing $1.3 million in damage,[29] roughly equivalent to $34.1 million today.[30] By 1879, the
population had grown to 17,500 and by 1890 it had grown to 46,385.[31] In 1888, the first steel Bridge on the West Coast was opened in Portland, [32] the predecessor of the 1912 namesake Steel Bridge that survives today. In 1889, Henry Pittock's wife, Georgiana, established the Portland Rose Festival" is held here
in June.[33] The movement to make Portland's access to the Pacific Ocean via the Willamette and Columbia rivers, as well as its easy access to the agricultural Tualatin Valley via the "Great Plank Road" (the route of current-day U.S. Route
26), provided the pioneer city with an advantage over other nearby ports, and it grew very quickly.[34] Portland remained the major port in the Pacific Northwest for much of the mainland by rail, affording an inland route without the treacherous
navigation of the Columbia River. The city had its own Japantown, [35] for one, and the lumber industry also became a prominent economic presence, due to the area's large population of Douglas fir, western hemlock, red cedar, and big leaf maple trees. [23] Portland waterfront in 1898 Portland developed a reputation early in its history as a hard-edged
and gritty port town.[36] Some historians have described the city's early establishment as being a "scion of New England; an ends-of-the-earth home for the eastern establishment as being a dutters,[38] and, at the
turn of the 20th century, it was considered one of the most dangerous port cities in the world.[39] The city housed a large number of saloons, bordellos, gambling dens, and boarding houses which were populated with miners after the California gold rush, as well as the multitude of sailors passing through the port.[36] By the early 20th century, the
city had lost its reputation as a "sober frontier city" and garnered a reputation for being violent and dangerous.[36][40]The White Eagle Saloon (c. 1910), one of many in Portland that had reputed ties to illegal activities such as gambling rackets and prostitution[41] Burnside Street, 1937Between 1900 and 1930, the city's population tripled from
nearly 100,000 to 301,815.[42] During World War II, it housed an "assembly center" from which up to 3,676 people of Japanese descent were dispatched to internment camps in the heartland. It was the first American city to have residents report thus,[43] and the Pacific International Livestock Exposition operated from May through September 10,
1942, processing people from the city, northern Oregon, and central Washington.[44] General John DeWitt called the city the first "Jap-free city on the West Coast".[43] In 1957, Life magazine published an article
detailing the city's history of government corruption and crime, specifically its gambling rackets and illegal nightclubs.[45] The article, which focused on crime boss Jim Elkins, became the basis of a fictionalized film titled Portland Expos (1957). In spite of the city's seedier undercurrent of criminal activity, Portland enjoyed an economic and industrial
surge during World War II. Ship builder Henry J. Kaiser had been awarded contracts to build Liberty ships and aircraft carrier escorts, and chose sites in Portland's population rose by over 150,000, largely attributed to recruited laborers. [46] During the 1960s, an influx of
hippie subculture began to take root in the city's psychedelic culture, while food cooperatives and listener-funded media and radio stations were established. [47] A large social activist presence evolved during this time as well,
specifically concerning Native American rights, environmentalist causes, and gay rights.[47] By the 1970s, Portland had well established itself as a progressive city, and experienced an economic boom for the majority of the decade; however, the slowing of the housing market in 1979 caused demand for the city and state timber industries to drop
significantly.[48]Aerial view of Portland and its bridges across the Willamette RiverIn the 1990s, the technology industry began to emerge in Portland, specifically with the establishment of companies such as Intel, which brought more than US$10 billion in investments in 1995 alone.[49] In the late 1990s, the Portland area was rated the fourth-least
affordable place in the United States to purchase a new home. [50] After 2000, Portland experienced significant growth, with a population rise of over 90,000 between the years 2000 and 2014. [51] The city's increasing reputation for culture established it as a popular city for young people, and it was second only to Louisville, Kentucky, as one of the
cities to attract and retain the highest number of college-educated people in the United States.[52] Between 2001 and 2012, Portland's gross domestic product per person grew by fifty percent, more than any other city in the country.[52] The city acquired a diverse range of nicknames throughout its history, though it is most often called "Rose City" or
"The City of Roses"[53] (unofficial nickname since 1888, official since 2003).[54] Another widely used nickname by local residents in everyday speech is "PDX", the airport code for Portland International Airport. Other nicknames include Bridgetown,[55] Stumptown,[56] Rip City,[57] Soccer City,[58][59] P-Town,[54][60] Portlandia, and the more
antiquated Little Beirut.[61]Main article: George Floyd protests in Portland, Oregon See also: 2020 deployment of federal forces in the United States Activities in Portland, OregonGeorge Floyd protests at the Mark O. Hatfield Courthouse, July 2020From May 28, 2020, until spring 2021,[62] there were daily protests about the murder of George Floyd
by police, and racial injustice. There were instances of looting, vandalism, and police actions causing injuries. One protests caused injury to
protesters and police. In July, federal officers were deployed to safeguard federal property; their presence and tactics were criticized by Oregon officials, who demanded they leave, while lawsuits were filed against local and federal property; their presence and tactics were criticized by Oregon officials, who demanded they leave, while lawsuits were filed against local and federal property; their presence and tactics were criticized by Oregon officials, who demanded they leave, while lawsuits were filed against local and federal property; their presence and tactics were criticized by Oregon officials, who demanded they leave, while lawsuits were filed against local and federal law enforcement alleging wrongful actions by them. [68][69][70][71]On May 25, 2021, a protest to commemorate the
one-year anniversary of Floyd's murder caused property damage, and was followed by a number of arrests. [72][73]See also: Geology of the Pacific NorthwestPortland lies on top of a dormant volcanic field known as the Boring Lava Field, named after the nearby bedroom community of Boring. [74] The Boring Lava Field has at least 32 cinder cones
such as Mount Tabor, [75] and its center lies in southeast Portland. Mount St. Helens, a highly active volcano 50 miles (80km) northeast of the city with volcanic ash after its eruption on May 18, 1980. [76] The rocks of the Portland area range in age from late
Eocene to more recent eras.[77] Multiple shallow, active fault lines traverse the Portland metropolitan area.[78] Among them are the Portland metropolitan area.[78] Among them are the Portland metropolitan area.[78] and the East Bank Fault on the east side.[80] According to a 2017 survey, several of these faults were characterized as "probably more of a hazard" than the Cascadia
subduction zone due to their proximities to population centers, with the potential of producing magnitude 7 earthquakes that have impacted the Portland area in recent history include the 6.8-magnitude Nisqually earthquake in 2001, and a 5.6-magnitude earthquake that struck on March 25, 1993.[81][82]Per a 2014 report,
over 7,000 locations within the Portland area are at high risk for landslides and soil liquefaction in the event of a major earthquake, including much of the city's west side (such as Washington Park) and sections of Clackamas County, [83] Portland is 60 miles (97km) east of the Pacific Ocean at the northern end of Oregon's most populated region, the
Washington state. Portland is approximately 100 miles (160km) upriver from the Pacific Ocean on the Columbia. Though much of downtown Portland is relatively flat, the foothills of the Tualatin Mountains, more commonly referred to locally as the "West Hills", pierce through the northwest and southwest reaches of the city. Council Crest Park at
1,073 feet (327m) is often quoted as the highest point in Portland; however, the highest point in Portland is on a section of NW Skyline Blvd just north of Willamette Stone Heritage site. [84] The highest point in Portland is on a section of NW Skyline Blvd just north of Willamette Stone Heritage site.
feet (187m) and 612 feet (187m), respectively. To the west of the Tualatin Mountains lies the Oregon Coast Range, and to the east lies the horizon, while Mt. Adams and Mt. Rainier can also be seen in the distance. According to the United States Census Bureau,
the city has an area of 145.09 square miles (375.78km2), of which 133.43 square miles (345.58km2) is land and 11.66 square miles (30.20km2) is water.[85] Although almost all of Portland is within Multnomah County, small portions of the city are within Clackamas and Washington counties.[86] Climate chart for Portland has a warm-summer
Mediterranean climate (Kppen Csb), falling just short of a hot-summer Mediterranean climate (Kppen Csb), falling just short of a hot-summer Mediterranean climate is characterized by having overcast, wet, and changing weather conditions in fall, winter, and spring, as Portland lies in the direct path of the stormy westerly flow, and
warm, dry summers when the North Pacific High reaches its northernmost point in mid-summer. [88] Portland's USDA Plant Hardiness Zone is 8b, with parts of the Downtown area falling into zone 9a. [89] Winters are cool, cloudy, and rainy. The coldest month is December with an average daily high temperature of 46.9F (8.3C), although overnight
lows usually remain above freezing by a few degrees. Evening temperatures fall to or below freezing 32 nights per year on average, but very rarely below 18F (8C). There are only 2.1 days per year where the daytime high temperature fails to rise above freezing; the mean for the lowest high is at the exact freezing point of 32F (0C).[90] The lowest
overnight temperature ever recorded was 3F (19C), [89] on February 2, 1950, [90] While the lowest days imperature ever recorded was 14F (10C) on December 30, 1968, [90] The average window in which freezing temperatures may occur is between November 15 and March 19, allowing a growing season of 240 days. [90] Annual snowfall in
Portland is 4.3 inches (10.9cm), which usually falls between December and March.[91] The city of Portland avoids snow more frequently than its suburbs, due in part to its low elevation and the urban heat island effect. Neighborhoods outside of the downtown core, especially in slightly higher elevations near the West Hills and Mount Tabor, can
experience a dusting of snow while downtown receives no accumulation at all. The city has experienced a few major snow and ice storms in 189293.[92][93]Portland's climate is conducive to the growth of roses. (Pictured:
International Rose Test Garden)Summers in Portland are warm, dry, and sunny, though the sunny warm weather is short-lived, from mid-June to early September. [94] June, July, August and September account for a combined 4.19 inches (106mm) of total rainfall only 11% of the 36.91in (938mm) of annual precipitation. The warmest month is August,
with an average high temperature of 82.3F (27.9C). Because of its inland location 62 miles (100km) from the coast, as well as the protective nature of the nearby Pacific Ocean. Consequently, Portland occasionally experiences heat waves, with
temperatures rising above 90F (32C) for a few days. However, on average, temperatures reach or exceed 80F (27C) on only 61 days will reach 90F (32C) and only 1.3 days will reach 90F (32C) and 0.5 
temperature of 116F (47C) and its warmest daily low temperature of 75F (24C) during a major regional heat wave. [96] The record had been broken for three consecutive days with daytime highs of 108F (42C) on June 26 and 112F (44C) on June 27; the previous record of 107F (42C) was set in July 1965 and matched twice in August 1981. [97] [98] A
temperature of 100F (38C) has been recorded in all five months from May through September. The warmest night of the year averages 68F (20C).[90]Spring above 80F (27C) and cold fronts that plunge daytime temperatures into the 40s F (49C).
However, lengthy stretches of overcast days beginning in mid-fall and continuing into mid-spring are most common. Rain often falls as a light drizzle for several consecutive days at a time, contributing to 157 days on average with measurable (0.01in or 0.25mm) precipitation annually. Temperatures have reached 90F (32C) as early as April 30 and as
late as October 5, while 80F (27C) has been reached as early as March 16 and as late as October 21. Thunderstorms are uncommon and tornadoes are very rare, although they do occur.[99][100]Climate data for Portland, Oregon (PDX), 19912020 normals,[b] extremes 1940present[c][102]MonthJanFebMarAprMayJunJulAugSepOctNovDecYearRecord
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Portland, Oregon; and Downtown Portland's cityscape derives much of its character from the many bridges that span the Willamette River downtown, several of which are historic landmarks, and Portland has been nicknamed "Bridgetown" for many decades as a result.[55] Three of downtown's most heavily used bridges are more than 100
years old and are designated historic landmarks: Hawthorne Bridge (1910), Steel Bridge (1913). Portland's newest bridge in the downtown area, Tilkum Crossing, opened in 2015 and is the first new bridge to span the Willamette in Portland since the 1973 opening of the double-decker Fremont Bridge.[105]Other bridges
that span the Willamette River in the downtown area include the Burnside Bridge, the Ross Island Bridge (built 1926), and the dowble-decker Marquam Bridge (built 1966). Other bridges outside the downtown area include the Burnside Bridge (built 1926), and the downtown area include the St. Johns Bridge, a Gothic revival suspension bridge built in 1931, to
the north. The Glenn L. Jackson Memorial Bridge and the Interstate Bridge provide access from Portland across the Columbia River into Washington state. Panorama of downtown Portland in the day. Hawthorne Bridge viewed from a dock on the Willamette River near the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. Panorama of downtown Portland in the
evening against the backdrop of Mount Hood, viewed from Pittock Mansion. The Willamette River runs through the center of the city, while Mount Tabor (center) are visible from many places in the city. See also: Neighborhoods of Portland, OregonThe five previous
addressing sectors of Portland, prior to the addition of South PortlandThe Willamette River, which flows north through downtown, serves as the natural boundary between East and West Portland. The denser and earlier-developed west side extends into the lap of the West Hills, while the flatter east side extends for roughly 180 blocks until it meets
the suburb of Gresham. In 1891 the cities of Portland, Albina, and East Portland were consolidated, creating inconsistent patterns of street names and addresses. It was not unusual for a street naming patterns and divided Portland into five
"general districts". It also changed house numbers from 20 per block to 100 per block and adopted a single street throughout the entire city.[106]Ladd Carriage House, downtown PortlandThe United States National Bank Building, downtown
PortlandThe six previous addressing sections of Portland, which were colloquially known as quadrants despite there being six,[107][108] have developed distinctive identities, with mild cultural differences and friendly rivalries between their residents, especially between those who live east of the Willamette River versus west of the river.[109]
Portland's addressing sections are North, Northwest, Northeast, South, Southeast, and Southwest (which includes downtown Portland). The Willamette River divides the north and south. North Portland consists of the peninsula formed by the
Willamette and Columbia Rivers, with N Williams Ave serving as its eastern boundary. All addresses and streets within the exception of Burnside Street, which is prefixed by N, NW, NE, S, SW or SE with house numbers on eastwest streets leading with
zero dropped the zero and the street prefix on all streets (including northsouth streets) converted from Southwest to South. For example, the current address of 4310 S Macadam Ave. was converted from 4310 SW Macadam Ave. The new South Portland
addressing section was approved by the Portland City Council on June 6, 2018[110] and is bounded by SW Naito Parkway, SW View Point Terrace and the Eryon Creek State Natural Area to the west, SW Clay Street to the north, the Willamette River to the east, and city limits to the south. It includes the Lair Hill, Johns Landing and South Waterfront
districts and Lewis & Clark College as well as the Riverdale area of unincorporated Multnomah County south of the Portland into South Portland int
With the addition of South Portland, all six addressing sectors (N, NE, NW, S, SE and SW) are now officially known as sextants.[113]Pearl District (left) from the Steel BridgeThe Pearl District in Northwest Portland, which was largely occupied by warehouses, light industry and railroad classification yards in the early to mid-20th century, now houses
upscale art galleries, restaurants, and retail stores, and is one of the wealthiest neighborhoods in the city.[114] Areas further west of the Pearl District and NW 23rd Ave., a major shopping street lined with clothing boutiques and other upscale retail, mixed with
cafes and restaurants.[115]Lloyd District from downtown Portland is home to the Lloyd District, and the Hollywood District, and the Hollywood District, and the Hollywood District from downtown Portland is home to the Lloyd District, and the Hollywood District Distr
of the most ethnically diverse and poorest neighborhoods in the city.[116]Old Town Chinatown is next to the Pearl District in Northwest Portland. In 1890 it was the second largest Chinese community in the United States.[117] In 2017, the crime rate was several times above the city average. This neighborhood has been called Portland's skid row.
[118] Southwest Portland is largely residential. Downtown district, made up of commercial businesses, museums, skyscrapers, and public landmarks represents a small area within the southwest address section. Portland's South Waterfront area has been developing into a dense neighborhood of shops, condominiums, and apartments starting in the
mid-2000s. Development in this area is ongoing.[119] The area is served by the Portland Streetcar, the MAX Orange Line and four TriMet bus lines. This former industrial area sat as a brownfield prior to development in the mid-2000s.[120]Southeast Portland is largely residential, and consists of several neighborhoods, including Hawthorne District,
Belmont, Brooklyn, and Mount Tabor. Reed College, a private liberal arts college that was founded in 1908, is located within the confines of Southeast Portland as is Mount Tabor, a volcanic landform. See also: Gentrification of Portland, OregonHistorical
(est.)630,498[121]3.4%Main article: Ethnic groups in Portland, OregonSee also: History of Koreans in Portland, Oregon; History
profile 2022 [121] 2020 [122] 2010 [122] 2010 [123] 1990 [124] 1970 [124] 1970 [124] 1940 [124] White (Non-Hispanic or Latino (of any race) 10.3% 1.2% Two or More Races 8.0% 8.0% 4.7% Black or African American 5.6% 5.8% 6.3% 7.7% 5.6% 0.6% American Indian and Alaska
Native 0.9%0.9%1.0% Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander 0.5%0.5% Graph showing the city's population growth from 1850 to 2010[125] The 2020 census reported the city as 73.8% White (449,025 people), 8.2% Asian (52,854), 5.8% Black or African American (7,335), 0.5% Pacific Islander (3,919), and 5.0% Islander (3,
from two or more races (69,898).[122] 10.3% were Hispanic or Latino, of any race (72,336). White snot of Hispanic or Latino, of the total population.[122] The 2010 census reported the city as 76.1% White (444,254 people), 7.1% Asian (41,448), 6.3% Black or African American (36,778), 1.0% Native American (5,838), 0.5% Pacific Islander
(2,919), 4.7% belonging to two or more racial groups (24,437) and 5.0% from other races (28,987).[123] 9.4% were Hispanic or Latino, of any race (54,840). Whites not of Hispanic origin made up 72.2% of the total population.[123]In 1940, Portland's African-American population was approximately 2,000 and largely consisted of railroad employees
and their families.[126] During the war-time Liberty Ship construction boom, the need for workers drew many Black people to the city. The May 1948 flood which destroyed Vanport eliminated the only integrated neighborhood, and an influx of
blacks into the northeast quadrant of the city continued. [126] Portland's longshoremen racial mix was described as being "lily-white" in the 1960s when the local International Longshore and Warehouse Union declined to represent grain handlers since some were black. [127] Ethnic origins in PortlandRacial Makeup of Portland (2022) [121] White alone
72.1 (67.1%)Black alone 5.9 (5.49%)Native American alone 1 (0.93%)Asian alone 8.4 (7.81%)Pacific Islander alone 0.6 (0.56%)Two or more races 9.2 (8.56%)Hispanic or Latino 10.3 (9.58%)Over two-thirds of Oregon's African-American residents live in Portland.[126] As of the 2000 census, three of its high schools (Cleveland, Lincoln and Wilson) were
over 70% White, reflecting the overall population, while Jefferson High School was 87% non-White. The remaining six schools have a higher number of non-White, including Blacks and Asians. Hispanic students average from 3.3% at Wells to 31% at Roosevelt. [128] Portland residents identifying solely as Asian Americans account for 7.1% of the
population; an additional 1.8% is partially of Asian heritage. Vietnamese Americans make up 2.2% of Portland's population, and make up the largest Asian ethnic group in the city, followed by Chinese (0.5%), Koreans (0.4%), Laotians (0.4%), Hmong (0.2%), and Cambodians (0.1%).[129] A small population of Iu Mien
live in Portland. Portland has two Chinatowns, with New Chinatown in the 'Jade District' along SE 82nd Avenue with Chinese supermarkets, Hong Kong style noodle houses, dim sum, and Vietnamese ph restaurants.[130]With about 12,000 Vietnamese residing in the city proper, Portland has one of the largest Vietnamese populations in America per
capita.[131] According to statistics, there are over 4,500 Pacific Islanders in Portland, making up 0.7% of the city's population.[132] There is a Tongan community in Portland, who arrived in the area in the 1970s, and Tongans and Pacific Islanders as a whole are one of the fastest-growing ethnic groups in the Portland area.[133]Portland's population
has been and remains predominantly White. In 1940, Whites were over 98% of the city's population. [134] In 2009, Portland had the fifth-highest percentage of White residents among the 40 largest U.S. metropolitan areas. A 2007 survey of the 40 largest cities in the U.S. concluded Portland's urban core has the highest percentage of White residents
[135] Some scholars have noted the Pacific Northwest as a whole is "one of the last Caucasian bastions of the United States".[136] While Portland's diversity was historically comparable to metro Seattle and Salt Lake City, those areas grew more diverse in the late 1990s and 2000s. Portland not only remains White, but migration to Portland is
disproportionately White.[135][137]The Oregon Territory banned African American settlement in 1849. In the 19th century, certain laws allowed the immigration of Chinese laborers but prohibited them from owning property or bringing their families.[135][138][139] The early 1920s saw the rapid growth of the Ku Klux Klan, which became very
influential in Oregon politics, culminating in the election of Walter M. Pierce as governor.[138][139][140]The largest influxes of minority populations occurred during World War II, as the African American population grew by a factor of 10 for wartime work.[135] After World War II, the Vanport flood in 1948 displaced many African Americans. As they
resettled, redlining directed the displaced workers from the wartime settlement to neighboring Albina.[136][139][141] There and elsewhere in Portland, they black population leaving after the war.[135]In the 1980s and 1990s, radical skinhead groups
flourished in Portland.[139] In 1988, Mulugeta Seraw, an Ethiopian immigrant, was killed by three skinheads. The response to his murder involved a community-driven series of rallies, campaigns, nonprofits and events designed to address Portland's racial history, leading to a city considered significantly more tolerant than in 1988 at Seraw's death
[142]Portland has a substantial Roma population. [143]76% of Latinos in Portland are of Mexican heritage. [144]Italians and Russian Jews had a very visible presence in Portland. [145]As of the 2010 census, there were 583,776 people living in the city, organized into 235,508 households. The population density was 4,375.2 people per square mile.
There were 265,439 housing units at an average density of 1,989.4 per square mile (768.1/km2). Population growth in the Portland metropolitan area has outpaced the national average during the last decade, and this is expected to continue over the next 50 years.[147]Out
of 223,737 households, 24.5% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 38.1% were married couples living together, 10.8% had a female households were made up of individuals, and 9% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average
household size was 2.3 and the average family size was 3. The age distribution was 21.1% under the age of 18, 10.3% from 18 to 24, 34.7% from 25 to 44, 22.4% from 45 to 64, and 11.6% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 35 years. For every 100 females, there were 97.8 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were
95.9 males. The median income for a household in the city was $40,146, and the median income for a family was $50,271. Males had a reported median income for the population and 8.5% of families were below the poverty line. Out of the total
population, 15.7% of those under the age of 18 and 10.4% of those 65 and older were living below the poverty line. Figures delineating the income levels based on race are not available at this time. According to the Modern Language Association, in 2010 80.9% (539,885) percent of Multnomah County residents ages 5 and over spoke English as their
primary language at home, [148] 8.1% of the population spoke Spanish (54,036), with Vietnamese speakers making up 1.9%, and Russian 1.5%. [148] The Portland metropolitan area has historically had a significant LGBT population throughout the late 20th and early 21st century, [149] [150] In 2015, the city metro had the second highest percentage of
 LGBT residents in the United States with 5.4% of residents identifying as gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender, second only to San Francisco.[151] In 2006, it was reported to have the seventh highest LGBT population in the country, with 8.8% of residents identifying as gay, lesbian, or bisexual, and the metro ranking fourth in the nation at 6.1%.
[152] The city held its first pride festival in 1975 on the Portland State University campus. [153] Main article: Religious city in the United States with over 42% of residents identifying as religiously "unaffiliated", [154] according to the nonpartisan
and nonprofit Public Religion Research Institute's American Values Atlas.[155]Religious affiliation (2020)[156]Unaffiliated64%Catholic15.3%Protestant14.8%Latter-day Saint (Mormon)2.3%Orthodox0.5%Buddhist1.2%Jewish0.9%Muslim0.3%Hindu0.3%Other faiths0.4%Tent camps setup on the sidewalk in the Lloyd District neighborhood.A 2019
survey by the city's budget office showed that homelessness is perceived as the top challenge facing Portland, and was cited as a reason people move and do not participate in park programs.[157] Calls to 911 concerning "unwanted persons" have significantly increased between 2013 and 2018, and the police are increasingly dealing with homeless
and mentally ill.[158] Homelessness has taken a toll on the sense of safety among visitors, and residents and business owners are adversely impacted.[160] Even though homeless services and shelter beds have increased, as of 2020 homelessness is considered an intractable problem in Portland.[160] The proposed budget for 202223 includes $5.8MM.
to buy land for affordable housing, and $36MM to equip and operate "safe rest villages".[161] A 2022 initiative approved by the Portland city council makes homeless camping illegal, eventually requiring homeless individuals to move into mass shelters.[162]According to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Report in 2009, Portland
ranked 53rd in violent crime out of the top 75 U.S. cities with a population greater than 250,000.[163] The murder rate in Portland in 2013 averaged 2.3 murders per 100,000 people per year, which was lower than the national average. In 2011, 72% of arrested male subjects tested positive for illegal drugs and the city was dubbed the "deadliest drug
market in the Pacific Northwest" due to drug related deaths.[164] In 2010, ABC's Nightline reported that Portland is one of the largest hubs for child sex trafficking.[165] Car theft rates in Portland are the fifth highest of any US metropolitan area as of 2023.[166][167] According to the Los Angeles Times in 2023: "Shootings in the city have tripled"
and "Lower-level crimes have spiked too: More than 11,000 vehicles were stolen in 2022, up from 6,500 in 2019." [168] In the Portland Metropolitan statistical area which includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill Counties, OR and Clark and Skamania Counties, WA for 2017, the murder rate was 2.6, violent crime was 283.2
per 100,000 people per year. In 2017, the population within the city of Portland was 649,408 and there were 24 murders and 3,349 violent crimes.[169] For 2021 year, Portland recorded 90 homicides, compared with 20 in 2016, and 27 in 2017.[171] See also: Companies based in Portland,
OregonAdidas has its North American headquarters in the Overlook neighborhoodPortland's location is beneficial for several industries. Relatively low energy cost, accessible resources, northsouth and eastwest Interstates, international air terminals, large marine shipping facilities, and both west coast intercontinental railroads are all economic
advantages.[172]The city's marine terminals alone handle over 13 million tons of cargo per year, and the port is home to one of the largest export tonnage port on the west coast of the U.S., and being about 80 miles (130km) upriver, it is the largest fresh-water
port.[172]The scrap steel industry's history in Portland predates World War II. Radius Recycling (formerly Schnitzer Steel), a major scrap recycler is headquartered in the KOIN Tower in Portland include ESCO Group,[176] and Evraz Oregon Steel Mills.[177]Technology is a major component of the
city's economy, with more than 1,200 technology companies existing within the metro.[172] This high density of technology companies has led to the abundance of trees in the region and to the Silicon Valley region in Northern California.[178] The area also hosts
facilities for software companies and online startup companies, some supported by local seed funding organizations and business incubators.[179] Computer components manufacturer Intel is the Portland area's largest employer, providing jobs for more than 15,000 people, with several campuses to the west of central Portland in the city of Hillsboro
[172]The Portland metro area has become a business cluster for athletic/outdoor gear and footwear manufacturer's headquarters. The area is home to the global, North American or U.S. headquarters of Nike (the only Fortune 500 company headquarters of Nike (the only Fortune 500 company headquarters).
[181] Hi-Tec Sports, [182] and Snow Peak. [183] While headquartered elsewhere, Merrell, Amer Sports and Under Armour have design studios and local offices in the Portland area. Other notable Portland area. Other notable Portland area.
manufacturer Daimler Trucks North America; advertising firm Wieden+Kennedy; bankers Umpqua Holdings; child care and early childhood education provider KinderCare Learning Centers; and retailers Fred Meyer, New Seasons Market, Storables, and Powell's Books. Breweries are another major industry in Portland, which is home to 139
breweries/microbreweries, the 7th most in the nation, as of December 2018.[184] Additionally, the city boasts a robust coffee culture that now rivals Seattle and hosts over 20 coffee roasters.[185]As of the city boasts a robust coffee culture that now rivals Seattle and hosts over 20 coffee roasters.[185]As of the city boasts a robust coffee culture that now rivals Seattle and hosts over 20 coffee roasters.[185]As of the city boasts a robust coffee culture that now rivals Seattle and hosts over 20 coffee roasters.[185]As of the city boasts a robust coffee culture that now rivals Seattle and hosts over 20 coffee roasters.[185]As of the city boasts a robust coffee roasters.[185]As of the city boasts a robust coffee roasters.[185]As of the city boasts are:#Employers.[185]As of t
Services 23,1002 Intel Corporation 22,3283 Oregon Health & Science University 19,6034 Nike, Inc. 15,5225 Legacy Health 13,0876 Kaiser Foundation Health Plan 12,5147 Fred Meyer 9,0008 Portland Public Schools 7,1119 City of Portland 6,75310 Multnomah County 6,317 In 2016, home prices in Portland grew faster than in any other city in the United States
[187] Apartment rental costs in Portland reported in November 2019 was $1,337 for two bedroom and $1,133 for one bedroom. [188] In 2017, developers projected an additional 6,500 apartments to be built in the Portland Metro Area over the next year. [189] However, as of December 2019, the number of homes available for rent or purchase in
Portland continues to shrink. Over the past year, housing prices in Portland have risen 2.5%. Housing prices in Portland continue to rise, the median price is people from out of state moving to Portland, which impacts housing availability. Because of
the demand for affordable housing and influx of new residents, more Portlanders in their 20s and 30s are still living in their parents' homes.[191] There is a considerable amount of "Airbnb type" rentals in the city. An audit in 2018 located around 4,600 listings, of which 80% were illegally operated.[192][193]See also: Music of Oregon; Cinemas in
Portland, Oregon; and List of films shot in Northwestern OregonThe Sagebrush Symphony, an early incarnation of the Portland Youth Philharmonic, performing arts institutions including the Portland Opera, Portland Baroque Orchestra, Oregon Symphony and Portland Youth
Philharmonic; the last of these, established in 1924, was the first youth orchestra established in the United States. [194] The city is also home to several theatre, Portland Center Stage, Artists Repertory Theatre, Curious Comedy Theatre and Miracle
Theatre.In 2013, The Guardian named the city's music scene as one of the "most vibrant" in the United States.[195] Portland is home to famous for their association with the song "Louie" (1963).[196] Other widely known musical groups include the Dandy Warhols,
Quarterflash, Everclear, Pink Martini, Sleater-Kinney, Blitzen Trapper, the Decemberists, and Elliott Smith. More recently, Portugal. The Man, Modest Mouse, and the Shins have made their home in Portland. In the 1980s, the city was home to a burgeoning punk scene, which included bands such as the Wipers and Dead Moon.[197] The city's now-
demolished Satyricon nightclub was a punk venue where Nirvana frontman Kurt Cobain first encountered his future wife and Hole frontwoman Courtney Love in 1990. [198] Love was then a resident of Portland and started several bands there with Kat Bjelland, later of Babes in Toyland. [199] [200] Multi-Grammy award-winning jazz artist Esperanza
Spalding is from Portland and performed with the Chamber Music Society of Oregon at a young age. [201] A wide range of films have been shot in Portland, from various independent features to major big-budget productions. Director Gus Van Sant has notably set and shot many of his films in the city. [202] The city has also been featured in various
television programs, notably the IFC sketch comedy series Portlandia. The series, which ran for eight seasons from 2011 to 2018,[203] was shot on location in Portland, and satirized the city as a hub of liberal politics, organic food, alternative lifestyles, and anti-establishment attitudes.[204] MTV's long-time running reality show The Real World was
also shot in Portland for the show's 29th season: The Real World: Portland premiered on MTV in 2013.[205] Other television series shot in the city include Leverage, The Librarians, [206] Under Suspicion, Grimm, and Nowhere Man. [207] An unusual feature of Portland entertainment is the large number of movie theaters serving beer, often with
second-run or revival films.[208] Notable examples of these "brew and view" theater sinclude the Bagdad Theater and Pub, a former vaudeville theater built in 1927 by Universal Studios;[209] Cinema 21; and the Laurelhurst Theater, in operation since 1923. Portland hosts the world's longest-running H. P. Lovecraft Film Festival[210] at the
Hollywood Theatre, [211] See also: List of museums in Portland, Oregon; Tourism in Portland, Oregon; and List of artists and art institutions, ranging from art museums to institutions devoted to science and wildlife
Among the science-oriented institutions are the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI), which consists of five main halls and other ticketed attractions, such as the USSBlueback submarine, [212] the ultra-large-screen Empirical Theater (which replaced an OMNIMAX theater in 2013), [213] and the Kendall Planetarium. [214] The World
Forestry Center Discovery Museum, located in Washington Park are the Hoyt Arboretum, the International Rose Test Garden, the Japanese Garden, and the Oregon Zoo.[215]Portland Art MuseumThe Portland Art Museum owns the city's
largest art collection and presents a variety of touring exhibitions each year and, with the recent addition of the Modern and Contemporary Art wing, it became one of the United States' 25 largest museums. The Oregon Historical Society Museum, founded in 1898, which has a variety of books, film, pictures, artifacts, and maps dating back
throughout Oregon's history. It houses permanent and temporary exhibits about Oregon history, and hosts traveling exhibits about the history of the United States. [216]Oaks Amusement Park, in the Sellwood district of Southeast Portland, is the city's only amusement park and is also one of the country's longest-running amusement parks. It has
operated since 1905 and was known as the "Coney Island of the Northwest" upon its opening.[217]Widmer Brewing Company headquartersFood carts are extremely popular within the city, with over 600 licensed carts.[218][219] The city is home to Stumptown Coffee Roasters as well as dozens of other micro-roasteries and cafes.[220]Portland has 58
active breweries within city limits, [221] and 70+ within the surrounding metro area. [221] and data compiled by the Brewers Association ranks Portland seventh in the United States as of 2018. [222] Portland hosts a number of festivals throughout the year that celebrate beer and brewing, including the Oregon Brewers Festival, held in Tom McCall
Waterfront Park. Held each summer during the last full weekend of July, it is the largest outdoor craft beer festival in April, the North American Organic Brewers Festival in June, the Portland ver festival in June, the Portla
International Beerfest in July,[224] and the Holiday Ale Festival in December. The city became a pioneer of state-directed metropolitan planning, a program which was instituted statewide in 1969 to compact the urban growth boundaries of the city. [225] Portland was the first city to enact a comprehensive plan to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.
[226] Protests against the Iraq War on March 19, 2006Strong free speech protections of the Oregon Constitution upheld by the Oregon Supreme Court in State v. Henry, [227] specifically found that full nudity and lap dances in strip clubs are protected speech.
and Oregon ranks as the highest state for per-capita strip clubs.[229]In November 2008, a Multnomah County judge dismissed charges against a nude bicyclist arrested on June 26, 2008. The judge stated that the city's annual World Naked Bike Ride held each year in June since 2004 has created a "well-established tradition" in Portland where cyclists
may ride naked as a form of protest against cars and fossil fuel dependence. [230] The defendant was not riding in the official World Naked Bike Ride at the time of his arrest as it had occurred 12 days earlier that year, on June 14. [231] Main article: Protests in Portland, Oregon This section needs expansion. You can help by adding to it. (April
2025) From November 10 to 12, 2016, protests in Portland turned into a riot, when a group broke off from a larger group of peaceful protesters who were opposed to the election of Donald Trump as president of the United States. [232][233] Main article: List of public art in Portland, Oregon The city of Portland has over 400 pieces of permanently sited
public art.[234][235] One of the oldest pieces of public art in the city is Skidmore Fountain, which was completed in 1888.[236] Most pieces are maintained by the Regional Arts & Culture Council, an organization that is partially funded by the city government. Several outdoor statues, sculptures, and monuments were removed or vandalized following
the 2020 George Floyd protests. [237] A percent for art ordinance was passed by Portland's city council in 1980 to allocate funding for public artwork in the capital budgets of major city projects. [234] Main article: Sports in Portland, OregonPortland is home to three major league sports franchises: the Portland Trail Blazers of the NBA, the Portland
Timbers of Major League Soccer (MLS), and the Portland Thorns FC of the National Women's Soccer League. In 2015, the Timbers won the MBA championship in 1977. [238] Despite being the 19th most populated metro area
in the United States, Portland contains only one franchise from the four major sports leagues (NFL, NBA, NHL, MLB), making it the United States' second most populated metro area with that distinction, behind San Antonio, which also has only one NBA team (the Spurs). The city has been often rumored to receive an additional franchise, although
efforts to acquire a team have failed due to stadium funding issues.[239] An organization known as the Portland Diamond Project (PDP)[240] has worked with MLB and local government, and there are plans to have an MLB stadium constructed at Zidell Yards in the South Waterfront neighborhood.[241] The PDP has not yet received the funding for
this project. On September 18, 2024, it was announced that the city would receive a WNBA franchise, slated to start in 2026.[242]Providence Park, home of the Portland Timbers and the Portland ThornsPortland sports fans are characterized by their passionate support. The Trail Blazers sold out every home game between 1977 and 1995, a span of
814 consecutive games, the second-longest streak in American sports history.[243] The Timbers joined MLS in 2011 and have sold out every home match since joining the league, a streak that has now reached 70+ matches.[244] The Timbers season ticket waiting list has reached over 10,000, the longest waiting list in MLS.[245] In 2015, they
became the first team in the Northwest to win the MLS Cup. Player Diego Valeri marked a new record for fastest goal in MLS Cup history at 27 seconds into the game. [246] The Moda Center, home of the Portland WNBA teamThe annual Cambia Portland WN
the longest-running non-major tournament on the LPGA Tour, plays in the southern suburb of West Linn. [247] Two rival university Vikings, both of whom field teams in popular spectator sports including soccer, baseball, and basketball. Portland State
also has a football team. Additionally, the University of Oregon Ducks (in Eugene) and the Oregon State University Beavers (in Corvallis) both receive substantial attention and support from many Portland residents, despite their campuses being 110 and 84 miles from the city, respectively.[248]The Shamrock Run, held annually on St. Patrick's
DayRunning is a popular activity in Portland, and every year the city hosts the Portland Marathon as well as parts of the Hood to Coast Relay, the world's largest long-distance relay race (by number of participants). Portland served as the center to an elite running group, the Nike Oregon Project until its 2019 disbandment following coach Alberto
Salazar's ban due to doping violations.[249]Historic Erv Lind Stadium is located in Normandale Park.[250] It has been home to professional and college softball. Portland also hosts numerous cycling events and has become an elite bicycle racing destination.[251][252][253] The Oregon Bicycle Racing Association supports hundreds of official bicycling
events every year. Weekly events at Alpenrose Velodrome and Portland International Raceway allow for racing nearly every night of the week from March through September. Cyclocross races, such as the Cross Crusade, can attract over 1,000 riders and spectators. [254] ClubSportCurrent LeagueChampionshipsVenueFoundedHillsboro
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wildlife, and people. [256] Ten years later, more than 8,100 acres (33km2) of ecologically valuable natural areas had been purchased and permanently protected from development. [257] Portland is one of only four cities in the U.S. with extinct volcanoes within its boundaries (along with Pilot Butte in Bend, Oregon, Jackson Volcano in Jackson, and permanently protected from development.
Mississippi, and Diamond Head in Honolulu, Hawaii). Mount Tabor Park is known for its scenic views and historic reservoirs. [258] Forest Park is the largest wilderness park within city limits in the United States, covering more than 5,000 acres (2,023ha). [259] Portland is also home to Mill Ends Park, the world's smallest park (a two-foot-diameter
circle, the park's area is only about 0.3 m2). Washington Park is just west of downtown and is home to the Oregon Zoo, Hoyt Arboretum, the Portland Japanese Garden, and the International Rose Test Garden. Portland is also home to Lan Su Chinese Garden, and the International Rose Test Garden.
style walled garden. Portland's east side has several formal public gardens: the historic Peninsula Park Rose Garden, the Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden, the Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden, the Leach Botanical Garden, and The Grotto. Portland's downtown features two groups of contiguous city blocks dedicated for park space: the North and
 South Park Blocks.[260][261] The 37-acre (15ha) Tom McCall Waterfront Park was built in 1974 along the length of the downtown waterfront after Harbor Drive was removed; it now hosts large events throughout the year.[262] The nearby historically significant Burnside Skatepark and five indoor skateparks give Portland a reputation as possibly
 "the most skateboard-friendly town in America."[263]Tryon Creek State Natural Area is one of three Oregon State Parks in Portland and the Most popular; its creek has a run of steelhead. The other two State Parks in Portland and the most popular; its creek has a run of steelhead. The other two State Parks in Portland and the most popular; its creek has a run of steelhead. The other two State Parks are Willamette Stone State Parks in Portland and the most popular; its creek has a run of steelhead. The other two State Parks are Willamette Stone State Parks in Portland and the most popular; its creek has a run of steelhead. The other two State Parks are Willamette Stone State Parks in Portland and the most popular; its creek has a run of steelhead. The other two State Parks in Portland and the most popular is the Columbia River near the parks are Willamette Stone State Parks in Portland and the most popular is the Columbia River near the parks are Willamette Stone State Parks in Portland and the most popular is the Columbia River near the parks are Willamette Stone State Parks are Williamette Stone State Parks are Williamette Stone State Par
 Portland International Airport.In February 2015, the City Council approved a total ban on smoking in all city parks and natural areas effective July 1, 2015. The ban includes cigarettes, vaping, as well as marijuana. [264] Portland City HallSee also: Government of Portland, Oregon; Mayor of Portland, Oregon; and Portland City Council (Oregon) Since
 January 1, 2025, the city of Portland is governed by a mayorcouncil government system. Elected officials include the mayor, a 12-member city council, and a city auditor. The city council is responsible for legislative policy, while the mayor, a 12-member city council is responsible for legislative policy.
 mayor is elected at-large, while the council is elected in four geographic districts using single transferable vote, with 3 winning candidates per district. Portland's current form of government was approved by voters in a 2022 ballot measure, with the first elections under the new system held in 2024.[265]The Portland Office of Community and Civic
 Life (formerly Office of Neighborhood Involvement)[266] serves as a conduit between city government and Portland's 95 officially recognized neighborhood association which serves as a liaison between residents of the neighborhood and the city government. The city provides
funding to neighborhood associations through seven district coalitions, each of which is a geographical grouping of several neighborhood associations. Most (but not all) neighborhood associations belong to one of these district coalitions. Portland and its surrounding metropolitan area are served by Metro, the United States' only directly elected
metropolitan planning organization. Metro's charter gives it responsibility for land use and transportation planning, solid waste management, and map development. The Multnomah County government provides many services are
provided by Portland Fire & Rescue. See also: Multnomah County Circuit Court and Police Bureau (PPB). The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) provided by the Portland Police Bureau (PPB). The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) provided by the Portland Police Bureau (PPB).
 officers from all local law enforcement agencies that fall within the transit authority's boundaries. [267] Built in 1869, the Pioneer Courthouse is the oldest federal building in the Pacific Northwest. [268] Portland strongly favors the Democratic Party; registered Democrats (51.2%) outnumber Republicans (10.5%) nearly 5 to 1. All city offices are non-
partisan. [269] However, almost all of the city's elected officials are known to be Democrats. Fred L. Peterson in 1952 is the city's last elected Republican mayor, and no Republican mayor, and no
 districts. Most of the city is in the 3rd District, represented by Maxine Dexter (D-Portland). Most of the willamette River is part of the 1st District, currently represented by Democrat Janelle Bynum. Lori Chavez-DeRemer
was the first Republican to represent a significant portion of the city in the U.S. House of Representatives since 1975, from 2023 to 2025. Both of Oregon's senators, Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley, are progressive Democrats from Portland. In the 2008 presidential election, Democratic candidate Barack Obama easily carried Portland, winning 245,464
votes from city residents to 50,614 for his Republican rival, John McCain. In the 2012 presidential election, Democratic candidate Barack Obama again easily carried Portland, winning 256,925 votes from Multnomah county residents to 70,958 for his Republican rival, Mitt Romney.[270]Sam Adams, the former mayor of Portland, became the city's first from the county residents to 70,958 for his Republican rival, Mitt Romney.[270]Sam Adams, the former mayor of Portland, became the city's first from the city's
openly gay mayor in 2009.[271] In 2004, 59.7 percent of Multnomah County voters cast ballots against Oregon Ballot Measure 36, which amended the Oregon Constitution to prohibit recognition of same-sex marriages. The measure passed with 56.6% of the statewide vote. Multnomah County is one of two counties where a majority voted against the
 initiative; the other is Benton County, which includes Corvallis, home of Oregon State University. [272] On April 28, 2005, Portland became the only city in the nation to withdraw from a Joint Terrorism Task Force. [273][274] As of February 19, 2015, the Portland city council approved permanently staffing the JTTF with two of its city's police officers.
 [275]Voter registration and party enrollment as of January2022[update][276]PartyNumber of votersPercentageDemocratic253,78955.55%Republican36,7638.05%Unaffiliated138,75130.37%Libertarian2,7520.60%Pacific Green2,2980.50%Constitution2980.07%Other22,2454.87%Total456,896100%Video of Portland's urban growth boundary. The red
 dots indicate areas of growth between 1986 and 1996. The city consulted with urban planners as far back as 1904, resulting in the development of Washington Park and the 40-Mile Loop greenway, which connects many of the city's parks. [277] Portland is often cited as an example of a city with strong land use planning controls. [278] This is largely
the result of statewide land conservation policies adopted in 1973 under Governor Tom McCall, in particular the requirement for an urban growth boundary (UGB) for every city and metropolitan area. The opposite extreme, a city with few or no controls, is typically illustrated by Houston.[279][280][281][282]1966 photo shows sawdust-fired power
plant on the edge of downtown that was removed to make way for dense residential development. High rises to left in background were early projects of the Portland Development in each metropolitan area in Oregon. [283] This limits access to
 utilities such as sewage, water and telecommunications, as well as coverage by fire, police and schools.[283] Portland's urban growth boundary, adopted in 1979, separates urban areas (where restrictions on non-agricultural development are very strict).[284] This is a coverage by fire, police and focused) from traditional farm land (where high-density development is encouraged and focused) from traditional farm land (where restrictions on non-agricultural development are very strict).
 was atypical in an era when automobile use led many areas to neglect their core cities in favor of development along interstate highways, in suburbs, and satellite cities. The original state rules included a provision for expanding urban growth boundaries, but critics felt this was not being accomplished. In 1995, the State passed a law requiring cities
to expand UGBs to provide enough undeveloped land for a 20-year supply of future housing at projected growth levels. [285] In 2007, the legislature changed the law to require the maintenance of an estimated 50 years of growth boundary, along
 with efforts of the Portland Development Commission to create economic development zones, has led to the development of a large portion of downtown, a large number of mid- and high-rise development Commission) is a semi-public
 agency that plays a major role in downtown development; city voters created it in 1958 to serve as the city's urban renewal agency. It provides housing and economic development programs within the early 1960s, the Portland Development Commission led
the razing of a large Italian-Jewish neighborhood downtown, bounded roughly by I-405, the Willamette River, 4th Avenue and Market street. [287] Mayor Neil Goldschmidt took office in 1972 as a proponent of bringing housing and the associated vitality back to the downtown area, which was seen as emptying out after 5 pm. The effort has had
dramatic effects in the 30 years since, with many thousands of new housing units clustered in three areas: north of Portland State University (between I-405, SW Broadway, and SW Taylor St.); the RiverPlace development along the waterfront under the Marquam (I-5) bridge; and most notably in the Pearl District (between I-405, Burnside St., NWH).
 Northrup St., and NW 9th Ave.). Historically, environmental consciousness has weighed significantly in the city's planning and development efforts. [288] Portland was one of the first cities in the United States to promote and integrate alternative forms of transportation, such as the MAX Light Rail and extensive bike paths. [288] The Urban
Greenspaces Institute, housed in Portland State University Geography Department's Center for Mapping Research, promotes better integration of the built and natural environments. The institute works on urban park, trail, and natural environments. The institute works on urban park, trail, and natural environments.
unanimously adopted a climate action plan that will cut the city's greenhouse gas emissions to 80% below 1990 levels by 2050.[290]As of 2012, Portland was the largest city in the United States that did not add fluoride to its public water supply, [291] and fluoridation has historically been a subject of controversy in the city. [292] Portland voters have
four times voted against fluoridation, in 1956, 1962, 1980 (repealing a 1978 vote in favor), and 2013.[293] In 2012 the city council, responding to advocacy from public health organizations and others, voted unanimously to begin fluoridation by 2014. Fluoridation opponents forced a public vote on the issue, [294] and on May 21, 2013, city voters against
rejected fluoridation. [295] Main article: Education in Portland, OregonSt. Mary's Academy, a private Roman Catholic girls' school districts and many private school districts a
districts in Multnomah County that serve parts of the city include the Beaverton School District, Reynolds School District
Centennial School District. [298] Portions in Washington County are in Portland Public Schools, [299] David Douglas High School in the city. [300] Other high school in the Powellhurst neighborhood, has the largest enrollment of any public high school in the city. [300] Other high school in the Powellhurst neighborhood, has the largest enrollment of any public high school in the city. [300] Other high school in the Powellhurst neighborhood, has the largest enrollment of any public high school in the County are in Portland Public Schools. [299] David Douglas High School in the Powellhurst neighborhood, has the largest enrollment of any public high school in the County are in Portland Public School in the Powellhurst neighborhood, has the largest enrollment of any public high school in the County are in Portland Public School in the County are in Po
 Wells-Barnett (formerly Woodrow Wilson), and several suburban high schools which serve the city's outer areas. Established in 1869, Lincoln High School (formerly Portland High School) is the city's oldest public education institution, and is one of two of the oldest high schools west of the Mississippi River (after San Francisco's Lowell High School).
[301] Former public schools in the city included Washington High School, which operated from 1906 until 1981, as well as Adams and Jackson, which also closed the same year. Eliot Hall, Reed College Urban Center, Portland State University Portland State University has the second-largest enrollment rate of any university in the state (after Oregon
 State University), with a student body of nearly 30,000.[302] It has been named among the top fifteen percentile of American regional universities by The Princeton Review for undergraduate education, [303] and has been internationally recognized for its degrees in Master of Business Administration and urban planning. [304] The city is also home to
the Oregon Health & Science University, as well as Portland, Community College, a liberal arts college, and Lewis & Clark College, Main article: Media in Portland, OregonSee also: List of radio
stations in Oregon and List of television stations in OregonKGW is the NBC affiliate. The Oregonian is the only daily general-interest newspaper serving Portland. It also circulates throughout the state and in Clark County, Washington. Smaller local newspaper serving Portland. It also circulates throughout the state and in Clark County, Washington.
Portland Tribune (general-interest paper published on Wednesdays), Willamette Week (general-interest alternative weekly published on Wednesdays), and The Portland Mercury (another alt-weekly, targeted at younger urban readers and published every other Thursday). The Portland Mercury (another alt-weekly, targeted at younger urban readers and published every other Thursday).
communities, including The Asian Reporter (a weekly covering Asian news, both international and local) and The Skanner (a weekly African-American newspaper covering both local and national news). The Portland Business Journal of Commerce, its main competitor. Portland
Monthly is a monthly news and culture magazine. The Bee, over 110 years old, is another neighborhood newspaper serving the inner southeast neighborhoods. [305] Main article: List of hospitals in Portland, OregonLegacy Good Samaritan Medical CenterLegacy Health, a non-profit healthcare system in Portland, operates multiple facilities in the city
and surrounding suburbs.[306] These include Legacy Emanuel, founded in 1912, in Northeast Portland; and Legacy Good Samaritan, founded in 1875, and in Northwest Portland. [306] Randall's Children's Hospital operates at the Legacy Emanuel Campus. Good Samaritan has centers for breast health, cancer, and stroke, and is home to the Legacy Emanuel Campus.
Devers Eye Institute, the Legacy Obesity and Diabetes and Endocrinology Center, the Legacy Diabetes and Endocrinology Center in the North Tabor neighborhood of Nursing.[307]The Catholic-affiliated Providence Health & Services operates Providence Portland Medical Center in the North Tabor neighborhood of Nursing.
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Portland, OregonMAX Light Rail is the centerpiece of the city's public transportation system. Portland metropolitan area has transportation servined development
 within the urban growth boundary means commuters have multiple well-developed options. In 2008, 12.6% of all commutes in Portland were on public transit. [308] TriMet operates most of the region's buses and the MAX (short for Metropolitan Area Express) light rail system, which connects the city and suburbs. Opened in 1986, the MAX system has
expanded to five lines, with the latest being the Orange Line to Milwaukie, which began operating in September 2015.[309] WES Commuter Rail opened in February 2009 in Portland's western suburbs, linking Beaverton and Wilsonville. The city-owned Portland Streetcar serves two routes in the Central City downtown and adjacent districts. The first
line, which opened in 2001 and was extended in 200507, operates from the South Waterfront District through Portland State University and north west end downtown. The second line that opened in 2012 added 3.3 miles (5.3km) of tracks on the east
 side of the Willamette River and across the Broadway Bridge to a connection with the original line.[310] The east-side line completed a loop to the tracks on the west side of the river upon completion of the new Tilikum Crossing in 2015,[311] and, in anticipation of that, had been named the Central Loop line in 2012. However, it was renamed the
Loop Service, with an A Loop (clockwise) and B Loop (counterclockwise), when it became a complete loop with the opening of the Tilikum Crossing bridge. Fifth and Sixth avenues within downtown comprise the Portland Transit Mall, two streets devoted primarily to bus and light rail traffic with limited automobile access. Opened in 1977 for buses, the
transit mall was renovated and rebuilt in 200709, with light rail added. Starting in 1975 and lasting nearly four decades, all transit service within downtown Portland was free, the area being known by TriMet as Fareless Square, but a need for minor budget cuts and funding needed for expansion prompted the agency to limit free rides to rail service
only in 2010,[312] and subsequently to discontinue the fare-free zone entirely in 2012.[313]TriMet provides real-time tracking of buses and trains with its TransitTracker, and makes the data available to software developers so they can create customized tools of their own.[314][315]Union StationI-5 connects Portland with the Willamette Valley
Southern Oregon, and California to the south and with Washington to the north. I-405 forms a loop with I-5 around the central downtown area of the city and I-205 is a loop freeway route on the east side which connects to the Pacific Ocean
 westward and Mount Hood and Central Oregon eastward. U.S. 30 has a main, bypass, and business route through the city extending to Astoria to the west; through Gresham, Oregon, and the eastern exurbs, and connects to I-84, traveling towards Boise, Idaho.Portland International Airport Portland's main airport is Portland International Airport
(PDX), about 20 minutes by car (40 minutes by mAX) northeast of downtown. Portland is also home to Oregon's only public use heliport, the Portland at Union Station on three routes. Long-haul train routes include the Coast Starlight (with service from Los
Angeles to Seattle) and the Empire Builder (with service to Chicago). The Amtrak Cascades state-supported trains operate between Vancouver, B.C., and Eugene, Oregon, and servee Portland several times daily. The city is also served by Greyhound Lines intercity bus service, which also operates BoltBus, an express bus service. The city's first airport
 was the Swan Island Municipal Airport, which was closed in the 1940s. The Portland & Seattle 700 and the
world-famous Southern Pacific 4449 can be seen several times a year pulling a special excursion train, either locally or on an extended trip. The "Holiday Express", pulled over the tracks of the Oregon Pacific Railroad on weekends in December, has become a Portland tradition over its several years running.[317] These trains and others are operated
by volunteers of the Oregon Rail Heritage Foundation, an amalgamation of rail preservation groups which collaborated on the finance and construction of the Oregon Rail Heritage Center, a permanent and publicly accessible home for the locomotives, which opened in 2012 adjacent to OMSI.[318]In Portland, cycling is a significant mode of
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promoting cycling as an everyday means of transportation, Portland has been recognized by the League of American Bicyclests and other bicycle-friendly services, being one of only three U.S. cities to have earned a Platinum-level rating.[321] A new bicycle-sharing system,
 Biketown, launched on July 19, 2016,[322] with 100 stations in the city's central and eastside neighborhoods.[323]Portland abolished the requirement for parking citations due to the city government's refusal to collect more aggressively.
[325]The cities main source of drinking water is several reservoirs in the Bull Run Watershed, which consists of roughly 102 square miles (260km2) of forested land just west of Mount Hood. The city also operates 25 groundwater wells near the Columbia River in Northeast Portland, which supplements the cities water supply during the summer.
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particularly appealing (albeit still rainy). Other additions include a couple of Sellwood neighborhood recommendations, a charming store behind the Portland Art Museum, some local bakeries and updated theater calendars. RECOMMENDED: The best restaurants in Portland Privacy Policy and consent to receive emails from Time Out about news, events, offers and partner promotions. Awesome, you're subscribed! Thanks fo	
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markets to the forested trails that thread through its distinct neighborhoods, dramatic landscapes and natural treasures show up in all aspects of life here. And to fully appreciate how it all ties together in this city of roses and bridges, you have to spend time both indoors	and out.Luckily, in Portland, its easy to switch between the two. You can go
hiking in Forest Park, then sit down at a James Beard Award-winning restaurant. You can lounge on a beach or sip an artfully crafted latte at a cozy cafe. Yes, it does rain for much of the year here. Yet even on the worst weather days, Portland will beckon you outside with uniquely Pacific Northwest experiences. Here are 13 of the top things to do in Portland. Walk or bike the bridges span the width of the Willamette River hence the nickname Bridge City. For a nice long walk or a breezy bike ride, count on crossing	
youll spot Portlands iconic white stag sign. A loop from the Burnside Bridge to the Tilikum Crossing Bridge Portlands newest river crossing and the only one that does not allow cars will cover about 4 miles. For a 2-mile walk, start at the Hawthorne Bridge. Either way, yo	oull pass Poets Beach and the Oregon Rail Heritage Center. Advertisement
Hidden within vast Forest Park, the Witchs Castle is a popular and intriguing landmark. JPL Designs/Shutterstock 2. Hike to the Witchs CastleWith over 80 miles of trails, Forest Park is one of the largest urban parks in the country, and it can be hard to decide which section of the grant is a gentle, mossy meander through an exquisitely green section of the park. Youll follow the course of Balch Creek, with a handful of access points where you can dip your feet on hot days. Just under a mile into the forest, youll come to the Stone House, better known	
here, the stone structure is a cool piece of architecture in the woods and a nice place to stop for a rest on a hike. Detour: From the Stone House, you can continue straight onto the Wildwood Trail for a challenging, 6-mile round-trip hike to Pittock Mansion, the home of an	early Portland settler. On a clear day, youll catch one of the best views of the
city, with Mt Hood looming over the skyline. 3. Unearth treasures at Hawthorne Aves thrift shopsPortland fashion is eclectic, casual and very often thrifted. Its a reflection of the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the citys quirkiness as well as a commitment to sustainability for who needs fast fashion when you have the city fashion is a commitment of the city fashion when you have the city fashion in the city fashion when you have the city fashion is a commitment of the city fashion when you have the city fashion is a commitment of the city fashion when you have the city fashion when you have the city fashion is a city fashion when you have the city fashion is a city fashion when you have the city fashion when you have th	
with a lot of affordable, costumey pieces. The competition for Portlands best donut is fierce and the choices at Blue Star are strong contenders. Larry Zhou/Shutterstock 4. Try all the donuts and pick your favoriteVoodoos pink boxes are ubiquitous among tourist crowds, he	but most locals will urge you to branch out and find your own favorite. Id
recommend starting with Blue Stars signature Cointreau Crme Brle, with its rich vanilla custard and pipette of orange liquor pressed into a torch-fired candy shell. Or grab half a dozen of freshly fried mini donuts topped with cinnamon sugar and Nutella from Pips Original Free dozen a perk thats a testament to Pips embrace of community and good vibes. While youre there, dont skip the flight of unique chai lattes. S. Bring a picnic to Mt TaborThis city peak is a popular workout spot, with runners and walkers ascending the many sets of stain	
sweeping views of the city at the top. On nice days, people bring picnic blankets to the west side of the peak to enjoy the sunshine and views a wonderful free activity in a sometimes pricey town. Detour: The so-called Barmuda Triangle is an unofficial collection of grungy of the sunshine and views a wonderful free activity in a sometimes pricey town. Detour: The so-called Barmuda Triangle is an unofficial collection of grungy of the sunshine and views a wonderful free activity in a sometimes pricey town. Detour: The so-called Barmuda Triangle is an unofficial collection of grungy of the sunshine and views a wonderful free activity in a sometimes pricey town.	dive bars on Hawthorne Ave, at Mt Tabors base. Space Room Lounge is a cavern
of a watering hole with celestial paintings and velvet artwork that glows in the otherwise dark space; theres also a big, sunny patio. Other dives in the Gods, The Trough and Zachs Shack (where you can get hot dogs with your beer). Bar-hop around dazzling blooms at the International Rose Test Garden. Kevin Reid/Getty Images 6. Admire unique blooms at the International Rose start blooming all over the city in late spring and to fully immerse yourself in the rainbow of colors and varieties of the c	
Washington Park. Featuring over 10,000 rose bushes, the park acquired its international standing as a test garden when hybridists from Europe started sending the First World War to preserve them. Today, it remains a testing ground for new variables of the city in late spring and to fully infinitely ground for new variables of the city in late spring and to fully infinitely ground for new variables.	
about the states past at the Oregon Historical SocietyAt this far-reaching history museum, you can learn about the geography, people and events that shaped Oregon. Rivers, Roses and Rip City, the newest permanent exhibit, covers how Oregons communities and activism lead to the recovery and the	
visitors.Local tip: Visit the museum on a Saturday, and you can also grab lunch at the PSU Farmers Market, where youll find over 100 vendors selling all kinds of local food. Getting lost in the many, many aisles of books at Powells is one of Portlands greatest pleasures. 8. emporium of literature. And thats half the fun. Powells is a centerpiece of Portlands literary scene, and perusing its stacks of new and used books is a perfectly Portland way to spend an afternoon. Staff recommendations and themed end-cap displays make it easy to disco	
Portlands many coffee shops. You wont have to go far: Guilder, a local roaster, has a cafe on site.9. Discover a family-friendly farm experience 15 miles from DowntownChickens and children are all free-ranging at Topaz Farms, a sustainable and beloved family farm on Sa	
enjoy local beers while kids eat hot dogs between visiting the goats and the pigs. Its also just a delightful place to spend a day for all ages. In the summer months, come for the evening concerts featuring country, folk or bluegrass. Local tip: Entrance to Topaz Farms is fre Harvest Festival attracts big crowds. On October weekends, youll have to reserve tickets in advance to enjoy the hay rides and pick-your-own-pumpkin field. Portlanders take their professional soccer teams very seriously indeed. Catch a game to join in the spirit. Amanda	
means soccer and catching a Timbers (mens) or a Thorns (womens) game is a thrilling taste of the passion this city pours into its professional teams. Games take place at Providence Park in the Goose Hollow neighborhood, not far from the heart of Downtown. You can wa	alk to the stadium from Powells, the PSU Farmers Market and the Alphabet
District, where youll find lots of bars, restaurants and coffee shops to enjoy before or after a game. Detour: Kells Irish Pub is a lively place to celebrate a win (or nurse a loss) after a big game. The classic pub food pairs perfectly with a cold one with your new fan-friends. It heater is a temple for film nerds and a dazzling place for anyone to catch a movie. Built in 1926, the space served as both a vaudeville house and a movie theater with an organ and eight-piece orchestra. Today, special programming attracts casual moviegoers and film be	
B-Movie Bingo and the Portland EcoFilm Festival). Local tip: Get to the theater a little extra early to enjoy slices of local pizza from Sizzle Pie and some Portland beer. Find a food truck pod to sample one of Portlanders favorite ways to eat. Shutterstock 12. Eat your way the	hrough a food truck podPortland was on to the pleasures of food trucks long
before they became a national trend and the city is still home to hundreds of them. A food truck pod is a semi-permanent gathering of multiple food trucks where you can find lots of options, plus seating to digest it all. This is a great option for traveling groups: send each few popular food truck pods include Hawthorne Asylum Food Truck Pod and Cartlandia, both in Southeast Portland.13. Sip coffee and then beer at a former gas stationThe Cully neighborhood is a mostly residential area in Southeast Portland not far from the airport and of the contract	
neighborhood regulars since opening in 2023. A former garage and gas station is now home to both Juniors Coffee and Upright Brewing, along with a big asphalt patio with a handful of food carts, including Pine State Biscuits, whose gravy-drenched breakfast sandwiches	s are a city favorite. The coffee is locally roasted and sustainably sourced, and the
beers on rotation match Portlands high bar for inventive and thoughtfully crafted beer. Portland is the largest city in Oregon, sitting alongside the Columbia and Willamette Rivers. The largest peak in the state graces the landscape behind the skyline. While Portland is known for being a city of counter-culture, where art, theater, and music are highly valued. Outdoor appreciation is also a big part of what Portland is famous for, from iconic Mount Hood to the many city parks. From Powells City of Counter-culture, where art, theater, and music are highly valued.	
you visit, you can see many landmarks in Portland, enjoy the unique culture, eat famous Portland food, and take in the beautiful scenery. Make sure you plan plenty of time to explore this iconic city! Since 2003, Keep Portland Weird has been the unofficial, cultural motto	of Portland. Although the phrase started as an initiative to support local
ousinesses, the phrase has become a rallying cry for the city and its one-of-a-kind character. Youll see this phrase Portland is known for on murals, bumper stickers, and signs all around the city. Make sure you pick up a local craft with this iconic phrase to take a piece of around, Portland is famous for its outdoor appreciation. This is a city where hikers, bikers, and campers have easy access to the outdoors and plenty of spots to choose from. From Mount Hood and the Columbia River Gorge, there are endless options for anyone who want	
Between March and December, you can catch the Portland Saturday Market. This market is the biggest continuously operating outdoor market in the entire country. It has been in operation since 1974, and it is still a fun, family activity. With a full food court, clothing, ac	ccessories, handicrafts, and more, this is definitely a must-see in Portland,
Oregon. The market pops up every Saturday in Tom McCall Waterfront Park. Make sure you check it out! The White Stag Sign is known for. Although the White Stag sign is now one of the landmarks in Portland, it started as an advertise clothing brand, White Stag. In 2010, the wording of the sign was changed to Portland Oregon. Now, the White Stag Sign is easily one of the Portland skyline. Make sure you see this iconic Portland landmark! Portland is known for its love an	
galleries, and arts institutions. With the Portland Art Museum, Center for Native American Art, and the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of art, art lovers will have plenty of choice in Portland. Willamette Valley is Oregons wine county. It spans 150 miles and is located to the sou	uth of Portland. That makes it convenient for a quick trip or a weekend away from
the city. This wine county is definitely part of what Portland is known for when it comes to indulgence. There are over 700 wineries in this area, so youll be spoilt for choice! Make sure you try some Pinot Noir, since the Willamette Valley is known for this type of wine. This region. Covering 12 blocks, the Cultural District is the place to go for fun activities in Portland! With beautiful architectural features, such as the First Congressional United Church of Christ and Director Park, it is a nice place to take a walk in the city. No matter what tin	
where youll find several landmarks in Portland, like the Portland Saturday Market, the Portland Art Museum, and Keller Fountain Park. The Pearl District is Portlands key neighborhood for galleries, shopping, and acclaimed restaurants. This area is home to Powells City of the Portland Saturday Market, the Portland Saturday Market, the Portland Art Museum, and Keller Fountain Park. The Pearl District is Portlands key neighborhood for galleries, shopping, and acclaimed restaurants. This area is home to Powells City of the Portland Saturday Market, the Portland Saturday Mar	
neighborhood is a big part of what Portland is known for, even within the local community. If youre a beer lover, this neighborhood also has lots of fun bars and breweries. If youre interested, check out Deschutes Brewery & Public House, 10 Barrel Brewing, or Von Ebert Portland is located northeast of the city and is certainly part of the natural spaces Portland is famous for. With 5,200 acres of land, Forest Park is six times bigger than New Yorks Central Park. Its an important sanctuary for local plants and animals, as well as a fun place	
oring your furry friend along, as long as youve got them on a leash. This park is a must see in Portland, Oregon! When you think about what Portland is known for, you probably dont immediately think about roses. However, Portland is home to the International Rose Test	t Garden, where new rose varieties are grown and tested. There are over 10,000
roses in this garden, so it makes for some magical scenery. If you want the best experience in the garden, be sure to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have to visit between late May and October. Most of the roses are in bloom during this time great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors, you have the great for your photos! If you love the great outdoors is the great for your photos! If you love the great	
you dont drive, you can take a convenient tour to Columbia River George for an easy and fun day out! The Lan Su Chinese Garden, in the middle of Old Town, is another one of the cultural landmarks in Portland. This garden has been open since 2000, offering an authenti	ic Ming-Dynasty style garden. The Lan Su Chinese Garden combines art, natural
beauty, and architecture to create a beautiful, relaxing space. The garden also has a collection of audio guides and mobile-guided scavenger hunts, which can make your visit even more fun. You can even visit the Teahouse for a snack! For a tranquil break from the city, the coated in Washington Park and is a finely kept garden. In addition to this, there is a cultural village that allows visitors to learn more about Japanese culture. With rotating events and exhibitions throughout the year, the Portland Japanese Garden is constantly changing.	
meaningful part of what Portland, Oregon is known for. On a clear day, you can see the highest peak in Oregon. At 11,239 feet tall, Mount Hood is one of the most climbed mountains on the globe. Experienced hikers can do the trek in a day, with about seven hours of hiking the hiking t	ing. A mix of scenic beauty and thrilling adventure, there is no wonder why
Mount Hood is one of the things Oregon is known for. You can find regular tours to Mount Hood in downtown Portland or go to the park yourself! Make sure you check weather conditions and your trek plans before you head out! Photo Credit: sainaniritu /Depositphotos.c OSMI or the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. This museum is one of the most popular in Portland for its exploratory, hands-on exhibits and unique outreach programs. Some of the highlights of the museum include: USS Blueback, the submarine featured in The I	com If you are walking along the Willamette River, you might get a view of the Hunt for Red October: the Science Playground, an area for kids to engage in
hands-on science learning; and Turbine Hall. This museum is a must-see in Portland, Oregon for anyone interested in science. If you ask any book lover what is Portland famous for? theyll likely have one answer for you: Powells City of Books. Powells City of Books is the w	worlds biggest independent bookstore, and one of the marquee landmarks in
Oregon. This bookstore is a playground for readers. There are nine color-coded rooms that are fun for pictures. Broadly, the store has over 3,500 different sections and houses roughly one million books. With new and used books on offer, there something for everyone at near the city and part of what Portland is known for. With over 2,500 animals on 64 acres of land, there is plenty to explore at the Oregon Zoo. It was founded in 1888 and has been one of the landmarks in Portland since. Some of the most popular animals include elephan	
Its definitely a nice place to visit, especially on a sunny day. The Portland Observatory is a unique part of what Portland is known for since it is the last historic maritime signal station in the country. It dates all the way back to 1807 when Portland was an important harbon	r. The observatory has a telescope, which was used to see the incoming ships.
Today, the Portland Observatory is open seasonally and offers walking tours for interested visitors. If you want to see some maritime history, put this observatory on your list as a must-see in Portland, Maine. Pittock Mansion is a historic site that encapsulates the citys transfer from this observatory on your list as a must-see in Portland, Maine. Pittock Mansion is a historic site that encapsulates the citys transfer from this observatory on your list as a must-see in Portland, Maine. Pittock Mansion is a historic site that encapsulates the citys transfer from this observatory on your list as a must-see in Portland, Maine. Pittock Mansion is a historic site that encapsulates the citys transfer from the city of the	
most representative landmarks in Portland! This museum was founded in 1892 and is the seventh oldest museum in the entire country. With over 40,000 pieces of art in its collection, there is plenty to see here! This museum features a lot of famous pieces, such as some of	of Monets Waterlilies and Jackson Pollocks Number 12. With rotating exhibitions,
there is always something new to take in, which is what makes this art museum a great place to visit. Voodoo Doughnuts are arguably the most famous Portland food. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods. With locations around the country, this unique donut shop has fans everywhere but was founded in Portland foods.	
Cream is another boutique brand Portland is known for. This small-batch, chef-inspired ice cream shop offers unique ice creams made with local ingredients. Every month, the shop introduces new flavors, so there is always something new to try! If you have a sweet tooth	, make sure you check out this gem. With vegan and gluten-free options, health-
conscious eaters get a chance at it too! Marionberries are a feature among all the delicious Portland, Oregon foods. These berries, are only produced in Oregon. This makes them a staple in the state, especially the pies, so check out this of options in Portland. You really cant go wrong, but if youre looking for some local favorites try The Pie Spot, Petunias Pies & Pastries, or the Pacific Pie Company. As one of the most notable cartoonists and animators in the US, Matt Groening is definitely a proud piece of the most notable cartoonists.	
Groening actually named his characters in The Simpsons after his own family, making it a Portland classic. Since Matt Groening pulled so much inspiration for The Simpsons from his own life, Portland lent many street names to The Simpsons universe. See if you can stop	any of the crossover names, such as Lincoln High School, during your visit to
Portland. One of the co-founders of Nike calls Portland, Oregon his hometown. Before he was a billionaire entrepreneur, Phil Knight was a young man in Portland. He grew up a runner, pursued an MBA, and then founded iconic Nike with co-founder Bill Bowerman. If you store offers all the shoes you love, plus a small history of the brand. Whether you love these shoes or not, Nike is definitely part of what Portland is famous for. With the globally acclaimed brand, you can be sure Phil Knight is one of the most famous people from Portland.	
worthwhile read. From the arts culture and beautiful, natural spaces, there is so much that Portland is famous for. From the museums, famous Portland food, and landmarks, there are plenty of options catering to different interests! Make sure you visit this amazing city!	While you shouldnt visit without hitting every must-see in Portland, Oregon, still
make sure you leave some time for your own exploring. Who knows, you could find a new answer to the question, what is Portland known for? WHAT IS PORTLAND KNOWN FOR? PIN IT FOR LATER! Its safe to say a visitor will never experience the same Portland twice. about to begin that means youre quaranteed to find fun things to do in Portland, whether you know the city intimately or its your very first time. And the City of Roses handles inclement weather with style, meaning fall and winter are just as good for a visit as spring and s	
including transportation help, accessibility information, resources like our Near Me Now app and more. Skip the car rental and explore Portland the local way. From urban forests to downtown dining, find it all through public transit. Enjoy Portlands must-sees and must-sees and must-sees.	
escaping the weather or just feeling indoorsy, heres a guide to enjoying Portlands dynamic cultural scene while barely setting foot outside. Discover the best things to do in Portland with toddlers, tweens and every age in between. Discover wheelchair-accessible and sens things to do in Portland are totally free. Connect with nature, discover local artists or learn something new. If youre come to a special place, and youre in for a great time. Theres a lot going on in the City of Roses, so we have some	
at the Portland Visitor Center is a great option. Our friendly staff of Portland experts can help you plan your day, recommend restaurants and attractions, and provide information about events and other things to do in Portland. You'll also find local maps, brochures from F	Portland attractions, cell phone charging stations and other amenities. Absolutely.
In fact, downtown Portlands compact grid blocks make it uniquely walkable among major American cities. The food that shines brightest in Portland tends to be fresh, Pacific Northwest fare featuring locally sourced ingredients. Portlands also known as one of the top cities be considered to be that one last thing you wish youd had time to do! But any trip can be rewarding, whether its for a day, a weekend or an extended stay. Portland is	
from made-in-Portland gifts to funky vintage treasures to quality bespoke apparel. The fact that shopping in Portland is 100% tax-free isnt too shabby either. What can we say? We like to do things a little bit differently. From one-of-a-kind events to cool, funky museums, P	Portlanders take pride in keeping the city weird. If a stop at the visitor center isnt
In the cards, fear not we have great online resources too. The Portland Visitors Guide offers recommendations for must-visit places, food and drink tips, family-friendly suggestions, a neighborhood guide, fun itinerary bookmarks and more you can easily access the online which can also be used as a web tool, if you prefer) is an in-the-moment, map-based discovery tool. It displays the best Portland destinations and activities near your current location, including restaurants, food carts, bars, breweries, events, stores, parks and attractions.	
the best Portland events, festivals, concerts, tours and exhibitions that are happening today. Are you going to be in town and looking for something to do tomorrow? There are so many fun things to do in Portland and tomorrow is the perfect day to explore. Looking for wh	
festivals, concerts, tours and exhibitions that are happening this weekend.	

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