

Austin Attractions

If you can hear music playing, then you must be in Austin. The “Live Music Capitol of the World” is a fitting title for this vibrant city. Year-round, Austin hosts hundreds of concerts and music festivals. Austin is not just known for its music; the city is thriving with art, food, and outdoor venues that are guaranteed to ignite your senses.

Austin was crowned the Live Music Capitol of the World in 1991 when people recognized that Texas’ capitol city had more live music venues per capita than anywhere else in the country.. Austin is home to many up and coming musicians and hosts over 200 music venues. Once small concerts and festivals have now become international music events such as South by South West, the Austin City Limits Music Festival, and the Pachanga Festival. Of course when people come out to hear amazing live music there has to be outstanding cuisine to satisfy the hungry fans.

It’s guaranteed that a restaurant in town is cooking exactly what you are craving for breakfast, lunch, dinner or even a late night snack. The Austin food culture is about as diverse as its music. Downtown bistros boast fine cuisine and drinks, Hill Country Bar-b-Ques always have the pits lined with slow smoking meats, and country wineries bring chefs in from around the world to pair fine Texas wines with delectable food. If a late night craving hits, no worries! Austin’s street corners come to life each night with ever-popular food trucks firing up delicious late night comfort foods. Local favorites include pizza from Roppolo’s or German sausage from The Best Wurst.

You don’t have to be into live music or late night concerts to enjoy Austin. The city is tucked into the beautiful Texas Hill Country, and park amenities encourage everyone to get outdoors. With around 300 days of sun each year, and hundreds of miles of trails, Austin encourages guests and residents to walk, bike, run, kayak and be healthy. The heart of Austin is situated around the beautiful Town Lake where almost every day you can find someone rowing, canoeing, or running along the trails that line the shores. If you venture a short distance from downtown you can enjoy the Green Belt, the Lady Bird Johnson Wildlife Center, and numerous golf courses.

The live music, amazing food, and the beautiful outdoors are only part of what makes Austin a unique, must-see city. The people that live here are just as vibrant as the music that is played every day in downtown venues, and they encourage you to come and let the city ignite your senses.

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