NO. 1 CITY IN THE WORLD

Paper lanterns float down the Ho’s Thu Bon River during one of the city’s monthly full-moon festivals.
Cities

Mexico claims an impressive three places on the global Top 10, and in Asia and Oceania, two one-of-a-kind metropolises snag the top spots for the first time: historic Hoi An, Vietnam, and adventure destination Queenstown, New Zealand.

### TOP 10 CITIES

**OVERALL**

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Travellers keep returning to the colorful buildings and cobblestoned lanes of this colonial.
enclave, beloved for its centuries of history and unusual arts heritage.

2 Mexico City
65.94

3 Oaxaca
80.16

4 Mérida
85.70

5 Guadalajara
84.49

TOP 5 CITIES CANADA

1 Quebec City
84.49

Now in its fourth consecutive year as the most loved Canadian city, Quebec's capital can't be beat for old-world flair and Winter Carnival.

2 Vancouver
82.58

3 Montreal
82.23

4 Victoria
British Columbia
82.10

5 Toronto
80.92

TOP 10 CITIES EUROPE

1 Florence
88.26

This capital of the Renaissance has reigned as category winner since 2014, thanks to superlative historic sites and museums (the Duomo, the Uffizi, Galleria dell'Accademia) and delectable Tuscan cuisine.

NO. 1 CITY IN EUROPE

Pitti Palace, just outside the Boboli Gardens' main entrance, exemplifies the Renaissance architecture of Florence.
TOP 6 CITIES AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST

1. Cape Town
   South Africa
   88.96 ★

2. Nairobi
   Kenya
   88.48 ★

3. Marrakesh
   Morocco
   85.31

4. Beirut
   Lebanon
   84.48

5. Fez
   Morocco
   82.08

6. Marrakech
   Morocco
   85.31

TOP 10 CITIES ASIA

1. Hoi An
   Vietnam
   90.39 ★

2. Luang Prabang
   Laos
   88.96 ★

3. Phnom Penh
   Cambodia
   86.21 ★

4. Siem Reap
   Cambodia
   86.21 ★

5. Chiang Mai
   Thailand
   89.56

6. Ubud
   Indonesia
   89.08

7. Tokyo
   Japan
   88.98 ★

8. Osaka
   Japan
   86.32

9. Bangkok
   Thailand
   86.32 ★

10. Jaipur
    India
    86.37

TOP 5 CITIES AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, AND THE SOUTH PACIFIC

1. Queenstown
   New Zealand
   84.96

2. Sydney
   Australia
   84.92 ★

3. Melbourne
   Australia
   83.88 ★

4. Perth
   Australia
   82.10

5. Wellington
   New Zealand
   80.47

NO. 1 CITY IN AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Hiking up Table Mountain is a popular Cape Town activity.