



## The 10 Hippest Mid-Sized Cities in America

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There is no universal definition of “hip.” For some, it’s hipster — that ironic cool that has been perfected by the likes of Brooklyn and Portland. For others, it’s trendy and fashion forward, showing off the latest, chicest clubs, restaurants, and boutiques, a la Miami or LA. And while big cities are often known for being hip, smaller cities get passed over, but that shouldn’t be the case.

To find the 10 hippest mid-sized cities, we grabbed the U.S. cities with ranks #100-900 by population according to census data and sorted them by the preferences of our [Trendsters Tribe](#). They’re smaller, sure, but each celebrate cool in their own unique way.



### 6. **Chattanooga, TN**

**Why it’s hip:** The hipster movement has infiltrated Tennessee’s fourth largest city, and the hold it’s got is strong: from underground music and public art to trendy food trucks and artisanal coffee, there’s a lot of hip culture to take in.

**Where to go:** The [Bluff View Art District](#) is a great spot to wander around in your quest for art, culture, and coffee ([Rembrandt’s Coffee House](#) is a good bet for the latter).

Other cities mentioned in the article:

*Palm Springs, CA*

*Napa, CA*

*Burlington, VT*

*Santa Cruz, CA*

*Salt Lake City, UT*

*Des Moines, IA*

*Cambridge, MA*

*Santa Fe, NM*

*Charlottesville, VA*

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