

Where to Retire

The Authority on Retirement Relocation

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Editorial Calendar

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City Profiles

Columbus, IN

Visitors from all over the world come to Columbus, IN, to see one of the finest collections of architecture in existence. Foodie restaurants, an old-facade downtown and culture in abundance top off the city where homes are quite affordable. Retirees love that it's close to Indianapolis and Bloomington, home of the flagship Indiana University and its Hoosier teams. Midwest gems -- Louisville, KY; Cincinnati; and Chicago -- are easy daytrips.

Dunedin, FL

Repeat: Done-EE-din. That's the correct pronunciation of a heart-snatching small town in Florida's Tampa Bay area on the Gulf of Mexico. Founded by Scotsmen in 1882 (a bagpipe band still is active), the city has a bike path through a walkable downtown. In the 1940s, thousands of just-married couples came to nearby Honeymoon Island State Park, where retirees flock today for hiking and fishing. The Dunedin Fine Art Center spurs creativity in its numerous classes.

Gulfport/Biloxi, MS

Gulfport/Biloxi is known for its casinos, military bases and gorgeous Mississippi Gulf Coast beachfronts. Add to that list fresh, delectable seafood, boutique shops and a historic cast-iron lighthouse that has illuminated the surrounding beauty since 1848. The region took a pounding from Hurricane Katrina in 2005, but came back better than before. Retirees enjoy the pristine white sand and laid-back atmosphere. "You're not fighting all the teenyboppers," one says.

Redmond, OR

Go outside and play. Central Oregon's recreation opportunities lead to constant craving for trail walking, cycling, fishing, rock climbing, kayaking, snow skiing and more. An added benefit is its sunshine and dry climate; one retiree says her allergies left and never returned. Redmond's sleek downtown has undergone a \$27 million rejuvenation. Its population nearly doubled from 2000 to 2010, proving its desirability and winning spirit, while retaining a small-town feel.

Features

8 Coastal Camelots of the Carolinas

These eight cities on or near the beach in North and South Carolina help win the East Coast its great fame and good name. The lucky folks who live close to the Atlantic's crashing waves relish some of the world's best swimming, fishing, boating and sand strolling. Life inland is sweet, too. From north to south, the lineup is: Beaufort, NC; Emerald Isle, NC; Wilmington, NC; Southport, NC; Sunset Beach, NC; Murrells Inlet, SC; Georgetown, SC; and Beaufort, SC.

Safety First: How to Ensure Your New City is Safe and Secure

Crime statistics give important information about cities under consideration for retirement. The FBI collects data from law enforcement agencies nationwide on everything from murders to robberies. Here's how to access those numbers. But police offer a few caveats, saying nothing takes the place of checking out the city in person.

Departments

Financial Consultant: Buying a Condo in Today's Market

It's not enough to fall in love with one particular condo; consider the entire development, experts say. Condos offer great conveniences -- pools, golf and no lawn to mow -- but read the fine print with a discerning eye before committing to a purchase.

Roads to Retirement: Colorado: Fort Collins to Broomfield to Denver

Best Neighborhood: Arlington Ridge in Leesburg, FL