



## Oregon



West Coast living has a lot more to offer than just the sandy beaches of L.A. Head up north to the scenic state of Oregon for a taste of it all! From beaches and mountains, to vibrant city living, Oregon has something for everyone!



Home to some of the US's most spectacular scenery, Oregon's varied landscape is an outdoor lover's paradise. On a clear day, views of snowcapped-mountains and green valleys remind all to take advantage of the skiing, hiking, biking, and camping available in the Cascade and Coast Range Mountains.



If you prefer the ocean, just head to the coast for a scenic drive...and a taste of Europe! The Scenic highway was designed to feel like an old world highway winding through picturesque European coastal villages. This one lane road will lead you to Oregon's #1 tourist destination: the US's second highest waterfall which plunges into the Columbia River Gorge.

Keep driving north you'll soon be in Washington State, and less than 4 hours away is Seattle - another great West Coast city. Or, head south for a longer trip: experience the northern California coastal beauty and end up in San Francisco!

Even city life in Oregon offers lots of outdoor recreational activities. The capital city, Portland, boasts one of largest city park plans in the country. Temperatures are mild in Portland (10-20C), and though it does rain during the winter, it seldom snows.





Young artists and musicians make for lots of festivals, and with at least 10 universities/colleges in Portland the student life is thriving...and so is the nightlife! But if you're looking for a more relaxing activity, the daily Saturday Market selling crafts and local produce is something not to be missed.

Don't worry if you're more of an indoor type - with the largest number of bookstores per capita, Portland is also a great place to curl up with a book and enjoy the café life.

With all this to do, its no wonder Oregon's capital is one the fastest growing cities in the US. The city is known for its outdoor recreation and lively cultural urban scene; together, a brilliant mix is created, leading to Portland's rating as one of 'the most livable' cities in the US.

