

Redfin and Trupanion Name the 25 Most Cat-Friendly Cities of 2019

Corvallis, OR; Spokane, WA; and Orlando, FL rank highest for access to vet care and housing features that favor a feline lifestyle

SEATTLE, June 20, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- (NASDAQ: RDFN) — Corvallis, OR; Spokane, WA; and Orlando, FL are the best cities for cat lovers in 2019, according to a <u>new ranking</u> from Redfin (<u>www.redfin.com</u>), the technology powered real estate brokerage, and Trupanion (<u>www.trupanion.com</u>), a leader in high-quality medical insurance for pets.

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To determine the ranking, which looked at 250 cities nationwide, Trupanion analyzed its data on access to cat-specific services such as clinics, shelters and hospitals, as well as environmental hazards. Redfin calculated the percentage of homes for sale with cat-friendly features such as high ceilings for room to climb, an extra bathroom for storing litter boxes, and patios for those who'd like to create safe outdoor spaces for their cat.

"When choosing a home and neighborhood, homebuyers tend to consider the needs and wants of everyone who will be living in the home, and of course that includes pets," said Redfin chief economist Daryl Fairweather. "Certain homes are better suited to cats, with spaces for the furry family member to lounge and play, and nearby facilities to maintain your cat's health. Whether you have a cat or not, get to know your neighborhood and look for a home that you, your family, and your pets will be happy in for years to come."

"With nearly 20 years of claims data on the health of pets, we understand the importance that environment, along with the care of veterinary professionals, can play in providing cats a safe and welcoming home," said TJ Houk, chief member experience officer at Trupanion. "For this study we looked at pet owners' access to cat-only veterinary practices, and the presence of cat rescues and shelters in a region, which added positively to a city's ranking, while a high prevalence of locally-growing environmental dangers like sago palm detracted from the city's ranking."

Corvallis demonstrated great access to veterinary care, favorable housing features, and a lower risk of outdoor environmental dangers, making it the most cat-friendly city overall.

Here is Redfin and Trupanion's definitive ranking for the most cat-friendly cities of 2019:

Redfin and Trupanion's Most Cat-Friendly Cities of 2019

Rank	City	State	Percentage of Homes for Sale with Cat- Friendly Housing Features
1	Corvallis	OR	16%
2	Spokane	WA	15%
3	Orlando	FL	21%
5	Bellingham	WA	17%
5	Tulsa	OK	16%
6	Raleigh	NC	15%
7	New York	NY	16%
8	Dayton	OH	15%
9	Clarksville	ΤN	7%
10	San Antonio	ТΧ	30%
11	Albuquerque	NM	30%
12	Eugene	OR	15%
13	Boston	MA	17%
14	Allentown	PA	17%
15	Dover	DE	15%
16	Columbus	OH	23%
17	Boise	ID	32%
18	Louisville	KY	25%
19	Tacoma	WA	19%
20	Lincoln	NE	22%
21	Portland	OR	17%
22	Minneapolis	MN	16%
23	Knoxville	ΤN	13%
24	Santa Rosa	CA	15%
25	Oakland	CA	25%

To read the full report, including expert tips on how to transform your home into the perfect cat oasis, please visit: <u>https://www.redfin.com/blog/most-cat-friendly-cities</u>.

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