

Pittsburgh Green Story Media Backgrounder

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Top 10 Reasons to Visit Pittsburgh

1. **Recommended List:** *Harper's Bazaar* named Pittsburgh among the world's 17 Best Places to Travel in 2017. "It's not the first thing you think of when dreaming of a weekend getaway, innovative food scene or art hub, but it delivers on all accounts in droves."
2. **City with an Entrance:** When a writer from *The New York Times* said Pittsburgh was "the only city with an entrance," he nailed it. The stunning skyline that bursts into view upon arrival from Pittsburgh International Airport is just one of many things that make Pittsburgh unique.
3. **One-of-a-Kind Attractions:** Located near downtown Pittsburgh where the artist grew up, The Andy Warhol Museum is the largest single-artist museum in the world. Fallingwater, the architectural masterpiece by Frank Lloyd Wright, is located about an hour away.
4. **Great Green Lawn:** No other major city has a state park that's located smack-dab in the heart of it. The tip of the 34-acre Point State Park is home to Pittsburgh's most recognizable landmark—The Fountain—which sits at the confluence of three beautiful rivers.
5. **Amazing Views:** Drive or, even better, take one of the two inclines up to Mt. Washington to see why *USA Today* calls this vantage point among the "Top 10 most beautiful views" in the country.
6. **Culinary Delights:** Check out the amazing culinary scene and find out why Zagat named Pittsburgh the "No. 1 Food City" in the nation. Take a 'Burgh Bits and Bites food tasting and walking tour, and explore history and culinary delights in many of Pittsburgh's most unique neighborhoods.
7. **Family Friendly:** So many fun attractions to explore – Carnegie Science Center, Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, National Aviary, Children's Museum of Pittsburgh, Kennywood, Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium, Gateway Clipper Fleet, Sandcastle Water Park, Just Ducky Tours, Carnegie Museums of Art and Natural History.
8. **Go Global:** Visit these unique places for a taste of the world at large – University of Pittsburgh's Nationality Rooms, which display the rich ethnic heritage of the Pittsburgh area. These 30 rooms in the Cathedral of Learning were presented to the University as gifts from the various ethnic groups that settled here. Conflict Kitchen is a unique carry-our restaurant that only serves cuisine from countries with which the United States is in conflict.
9. **Ninety Neighborhoods:** Dripping with character, Pittsburgh's unique neighborhoods are authentic, gritty, charming and real—things that are truly Pittsburgh. Check out the "90 NEIGHBORHOODS OF PITTSBURGH" permanent exhibition at the Heinz History Center and then explore on your own.
10. **Pedal On:** Walk, run or bike the 24-mile **Three Rivers Heritage Trail System**. To cover a lot of ground, hop on one of the **Healthy Ride** bikes—there are 500+ of them available at 50 stations, strategically placed throughout the city.