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# TripAdvisor Recognizes Top Museums In The World With Annual Travelers' Choice Awards

## New York City's Metropolitan Museum of Art Named #1 Museum in the U.S. and World for Third Year in a Row TripAdvisor Also Highlights Top-Rated Tours and Skip-the-Line Passes Available at Award-winning Museums

NEEDHAM, Mass., Sept. 19, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>TripAdvisor</u>, the travel site that helps you find the latest reviews and lowest prices, today announced the winners of its Travelers' Choice® awards for Museums. Award winners were determined using an algorithm that took into account the quantity and quality of reviews and ratings for museums worldwide, gathered over a 12-month period. TripAdvisor has also highlighted top-rated bookable tours and passes on the site and the cost of admission for each winning museum.<sup>1</sup>



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"As a traveler, exploring a famous museum or discovering a new one can be the highlight of a trip," said Brooke Ferencsik, senior director of communications for TripAdvisor. "This year's Travelers' Choice Museum award winners belong on your must-visit list. To beat the crowds at these popular attractions, travelers should consider booking a skip-the-line pass or taking a small group tour to save time and make the most of their visit."

#### Top 10 Museums in the U.S:

1. <u>The Metropolitan Museum of Art</u> — New York City, New York

At "The Met," New York City's most visited museum and attraction, travelers can experience over 5,000 years of art from around the world.

- i Bookable pass: <u>The Metropolitan Museum of Art Admission with Access to The Met Breuer and The Met</u> <u>Cloisters</u> on TripAdvisor from \$25 per person
- Recommended admission: Adult \$25, Senior \$17, Student \$12, Child Under 12 Free

#### 2. The National WWII Museum - New Orleans, Louisiana

Originally founded in 2000 as The National D-Day Museum, The National WWII Museum showcases exhibits from industrial efforts on the Home Front to the combat experience of American service members abroad.

- i Bookable pass: The National WWII Museum Ticket New Orleans on TripAdvisor from \$27 per person
- Admission: Adult \$27; Senior \$23.50; Child, College Student, Military \$17.50

#### 3. Art Institute of Chicago - Chicago, Illinois

Travelers can discover the greatest Impressionist collection outside Paris, explore contemporary masterpieces in the spectacular Modern Wing and view classics from ancient Greece, Japan, Africa and the Americas.

- i Bookable pass: Art Institute of Chicago Fast Pass Admission on TripAdvisor from \$35 per person
- Admission: Adult \$25; Senior, Student, Teen \$19; Child Under 14 Free
- 4. <u>The National 9/11 Memorial & Museum</u> New York City, New York

At this site set within the original footprints of the Twin Towers, travelers can remember and honor those who perished in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and February 26, 1993.

- i **Bookable tour:** <u>9/11 Memorial and Ground Zero Walking Tour with Optional 9/11 Museum Upgrade</u> on TripAdvisor from \$35 per person
- Admission: Adult \$24; Senior, Veteran, College Student \$18; Youth (7-17) \$15; Child Under 7 Free

#### 5. USS Midway Museum — San Diego, California

Travelers can explore galleys, officer's country and sleeping quarters aboard a real naval aircraft carrier, naturally located in Navy Town, USA.

- **Bookable pass:** Skip the Line: USS Midway Museum on TripAdvisor from \$16 per person
- Admission: Adult \$20; Senior \$17; Student \$15; Retired Military, Youth \$10; Child Under 6 Free

#### 6. Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum - Washington, D.C.

Travelers can visit the most popular of the Smithsonian museums, which features the Wright Brothers' 1903 Flyer and Lindbergh's Spirit of St. Louis.

- i **Bookable tour:** <u>Small Group Tour of the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum</u> on TripAdvisor from \$89 per person
- Admission: Free

#### 7. The Getty Center — Los Angeles, California

This museum boasts a collection by luminaries such as Van Gogh, Monet and Cezanne, along with the architectural triumph of its six buildings and gardens.

- i Bookable tour: Los Angeles Getty Scavenger Hunt Adventure on TripAdvisor from \$15 per person
- Admission: Free

## 8. <u>American Museum of Natural History</u> — New York City, New York

Travelers can explore interactive, modernized exhibits and an IMAX theater that help bring this museum, dedicated to understanding the past, into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

- i Bookable tour: <u>Renegade Tour of the American Museum of Natural History</u> on TripAdvisor from \$59 per person
- Admission: Adult \$22; Senior, Student \$17; Child (2-12) \$12.50; Child Under 2 Free

#### 9. The Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) - New York City, New York

Located in the heart of midtown Manhattan, MoMA is home to one of the world's greatest collections of modern and contemporary art.

- i Bookable pass: <u>The Museum of Modern Art Admission with Skip-the-Line Access</u> on TripAdvisor from \$25 per person
- i Admission: Adult \$25; Senior \$18; Student \$14; Child Under 17 Free

#### 10. NASA Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex — Titusville, Florida

Travelers can see the real space shuttle Atlantis, touch a moon rock, meet a veteran NASA astronaut, tour a NASA spaceflight facility and get an up-close view of a real Saturn V moon rocket all in the same day.

- i Bookable tour: <u>Kennedy Space Center Ultimate Experience</u>: <u>Dine with an Astronaut and Up-Close Tour with</u> <u>Transport from Orlando</u> on TripAdvisor from \$169 per person
- Admission: Adult \$50; Seniors, Military \$46; Child \$40

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  - i Recommended admission: Adult \$25, Senior \$17, Student \$12, Child Under 12 Free

## 2. The National WWII Museum - New Orleans, Louisiana

- i Bookable pass: The National WWII Museum Ticket New Orleans on TripAdvisor from \$27 per person
- Admission: Adult \$27; Senior \$23.50; Child, College Student, Military \$17.50
- 3. Musée d'Orsay Paris, France
  - i Bookable tour: <u>Semi Private Tour: Skip-the-Line Musee d'Orsay Must-See Tour</u> on TripAdvisor from \$115 per person
  - i Admission: Adult \$14, Under 18 Free
- 4. Art Institute of Chicago Chicago, Illinois
  - i Bookable pass: Art Institute of Chicago Fast Pass Admission on TripAdvisor from \$35 per person
  - Admission: Adult \$25; Senior, Student, Teen \$19; Child Under 14 Free
- 5. State Hermitage Museum and Winter Palace St. Petersburg, Russia
  - i Bookable tour: State Hermitage Museum Small-Group Walking Tour on TripAdvisor from \$43 per person
  - i Admission: Adult, Senior, Student \$12; Student, Child Free
- 6. <u>The National 9/11 Memorial & Museum</u> New York City, New York
  - Bookable tour: <u>9/11 Memorial and Ground Zero Walking Tour with Optional 9/11 Museum Upgrade</u> on TripAdvisor from \$35 per person
  - Admission: Adult \$24; Senior, Veteran, College Student \$18; Youth (7-17) \$15; Child Under 7 Free
- 7. National Museum of Anthropology (Museo Nacional de Antropologia) Mexico City, Mexico
  - i Bookable tour: <u>Viator Exclusive: Chapultepec Castle Early Access plus National Museum of Anthropology in</u> <u>Mexico City</u> on TripAdvisor from \$34 per person
  - Admission: Adult \$4, Senior, Student, Child Under 13 Free
- 8. Acropolis Museum Athens, Greece
  - Bookable tour: Acropolis of Athens and New Acropolis Museum Tour on TripAdvisor from \$60 per person
  - Admission: Adult \$6; Senior, Student, Child Under 18 \$4; Child Under 5, Military Free
- 9. Prado National Museum Madrid, Spain
  - Bookable pass: Skip the Line: Prado Museum Tour in Madrid on TripAdvisor from \$49 per person
  - Admission: Free
- 10. V&A Victoria and Albert Museum London, UK
  - i Bookable tour: Guided Highlights Tour of the Victoria and Albert Museum on TripAdvisor from \$47 per person
  - Admission: Free

For the complete list of winners from the 2017 Travelers' Choice awards for Museums, as well as reviews and candid traveler photos, go to: <u>TripAdvisor.com/TravelersChoice-Museums</u>.

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#### Note to editors

<sup>1</sup>Current/upcoming exhibits and events and admission prices sourced from museum websites.

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