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Sacramento prevails in Blue Rhino's First Annual Top 100 Ideal Summer Grilling Cities

WINSTON-SALEM, NC – Have you ever wondered where it is most likely to find a perfect grilling day during the summer? Now you can find out. Blue Rhino has taken its quest for grilling knowledge one step further and identified the top 100 ideal summer grilling cities, i.e the cities where the summer weather conditions are most ideal for grilling.

The winner of the First Annual Ideal Summer Grilling City is **Sacramento, CA**. As the first prize, Blue Rhino will present a one year supply of propane to the mayor of Sacramento, Heather Mayo. Sacramento ran away with the title by having an 90%+ percentage chance of sunshine and few rainy days during the summer months.

The list was otherwise dominated by the West Coast, with California having five cities in the top 15. Anchorage, Alaska rounded out the top 100.

Although we all know that most days are good for grilling, the ideal grilling day is defined as a summer day (May-August) that is sunny, under 90 degrees and rain-free. The list was compiled by using data from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. By calculating the average sunshine rate, the estimated total number of rain days and the estimated total number of days above 90 degrees, cities were given a final count of number of ideal grilling days.

The list of the top 100 ideal summer grillig cites follows:

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The complete 100:

1. Sacramento, CA
2. Reno, NV
3. Flagstaff, AZ
4. Fresno, CA
5. Los Angeles, CA
6. Boise, ID
7. San Francisco, CA
8. Honolulu, HI
9. Salt Lake City, UT
10. Grand Junction, CO
11. Fort Wayne, IN
12. Spokane, WA
13. Las Vegas, NV
14. Galveston, TX
15. San Diego, CA
16. El Paso, TX
17. Albuquerque, NM
18. Milford, UT
19. Phoenix, AZ
20. Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN
21. Evansville, IN
22. Oklahoma City, OK
23. Fargo, ND
24. Portland, OR
25. Tucson, AZ
26. Detroit, MI
27. Milwaukee, WI
28. Denver, CO
29. Indianapolis, IN
30. Memphis, TN
31. Lincoln, NE
32. Omaha, NE
33. Springfield, IL
34. Rapid City, SD
35. Des Moines, IA
36. Green Bay, WI
37. Richmond, VA
38. New York, NY
39. Chicago, IL
40. Cleveland, OH
41. Madison, WI
42. Topeka, KS
43. Buffalo, NY
44. Toledo, OH
45. Little Rock, AR
46. Springfield, MO
47. Boston, MA
48. Wichita, KS
49. Atlanta, GA
50. Charlotte, NC
51. Kansas City, MO
52. Miami, FL
53. Harrisburg, PA
54. Rochester, NY
55. Louisville, KY
56. Grand Rapids, MI
57. St. Louis, MO
58. Atlantic City, NJ
59. Dayton, OH
60. Albany, NY
61. Burlington, VT
62. Knoxville, TN
63. Tulsa, OK
64. Moline, IL
65. Lynchburg, VA
66. Portland, ME
67. Norfolk, VA
68. Asheville, NC
69. Nashville, TN
70. Columbus, OH
71. Syracuse, NY
72. Corpus Christi, TX
73. Greensboro/High Point/Winston-Salem, NC
74. Charleston, SC
75. Seattle, WA
76. Dallas, TX
77. Shreveport, LA
78. Washington, DC
79. Greenville/Spartanburg, SC
80. Baltimore, MD
81. Providence, RI
82. Philadelphia, PA
83. Hartford, CT
84. Austin, TX
85. Chattanooga, TN
86. Birmingham, AL
87. San Antonio, TX
88. Raleigh, NC
89. Pittsburgh, PA
90. Columbia, SC
91. Houston, TX
92. Allentown, PA
93. Jackson, MS
94. Tampa, FL
95. Jacksonville, FL
96. Savannah, GA
97. Montgomery, AL
98. New Orleans, LA
99. Elkins, WV
100. Anchorage, AK