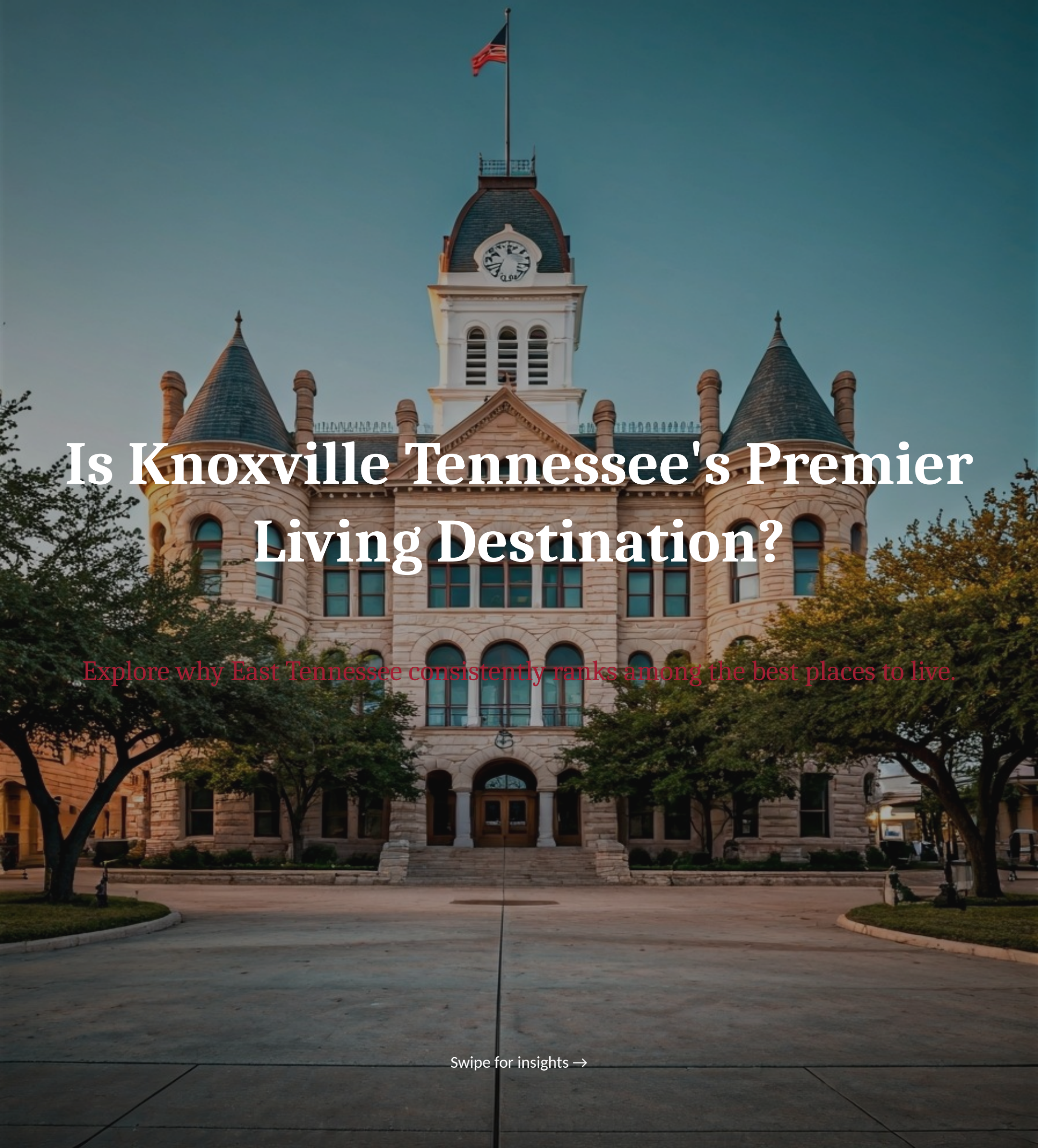


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Niche Grade for Knoxville, TN

Knoxville earns a strong overall grade in Niche's 2026 Best Places to Live rankings.

This comprehensive grade reflects Knoxville's performance across key metrics, including public schools, housing, job opportunities, and diversity. A high rating suggests a balanced environment conducive to both personal and professional growth, making it an attractive market for prospective residents.



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Knoxville's Affordability Outpaces Peer Cities

Compared to other growing metropolitan areas in Tennessee, Knoxville often maintains a more accessible cost of living, particularly regarding housing. This affordability factor continues to draw individuals and families seeking value without compromising quality of life, supporting a stable and competitive real estate market.



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Quality of Life: A Magnet for Talent and Investment

The blend of a vibrant urban core, strong educational institutions like the University of Tennessee, and proximity to natural amenities such as the Great Smoky Mountains positions Knoxville uniquely. This high quality of life attracts a diverse population, driving demand for housing and stimulating local economic development.

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