



10 Safest Cities for Solo Female Travellers in 2026

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Ready to pack your bags and go it alone?

Here's where the world's smartest solo female travellers are heading this year and why.

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There's something uniquely powerful about solo travel as a woman. You set your own itinerary. You eat where you want, linger as long as you like, and discover things about yourself that simply don't emerge when you're navigating someone else's preferences. But let's be honest before any of that magic can happen, you need to feel safe.

Safety isn't just a checkbox; it's the foundation that makes everything else possible. And in 2026, the good news is that some of the world's most incredible cities are also its most welcoming and secure for women travelling alone.

Insurance and travel research company [InsureMyTrip](#) recently analyzed data from the [Numbeo Crime & Safety Index](#) one of the largest crowdsourced databases of real safety perceptions from residents and visitors to identify the 10 safest cities for solo female travellers this year. The methodology focused on four key factors: how safe people feel walking alone during the day, how safe they feel at night, and how low the perceived risk of mugging or physical attack is. The results are eye-opening, and honestly, a little inspiring.

Let's dive in.

Taipei, Taiwan The Queen of Safe Solo Travel



If you haven't considered Taiwan for your next adventure, it's time to rethink your bucket list. Taipei claimed the top spot with a Safety Index score of 83.5, and it's easy to understand why.

Travellers consistently report feeling completely comfortable walking alone at any hour, day or night. The city's efficient MRT (metro) system means you're rarely stranded or dependent on strangers for transport, and street crime is remarkably low. Add to that a world-famous food scene (hello, night markets), jaw-dropping temples, and a buzzing arts culture, and you've got a destination that checks virtually every box.

It's also worth noting that Taiwan was recently named the happiest place in Asia according to Gallup's annual World Happiness Report. Happy locals tend to make happy travellers.

Pro tip: Stay in the Daan District for a central, walkable neighbourhood with great caf  s and excellent metro access.

Muscat, Oman â?? Unexpected and Underrated

Muscat surprises many Western travellers, but it has quietly become one of the Middle East's most solo-female-friendly destinations. It ranked second with a Safety Index of 81.4, with particularly strong perceptions of safety after dark.

Oman is known for its extraordinary hospitality, stunning desert landscapes, and a social culture that is genuinely welcoming to international visitors. Muscat itself is clean, orderly, and easy to navigate. Women travellers frequently comment on feeling respected and at ease here.

One important note: Canada has an **â??Avoid non-essentialâ?•** travel advisory for Oman due to regional tensions, risks of military debris, and possible space disruptions. Always check your government's most current travel advisories before booking.



Tampere, Finland â?? Nordic Calm at Its Finest



If Scandinavian serenity is calling your name, Tampere delivers it in spades. Finland's second-largest city ranked third with a Safety Index of 79.6, and it embodies everything the Nordic countries are known for: low crime, high social trust, and a culture where people genuinely look out for one another.

Tampere sits between two beautiful lakes, offers a thriving design and food scene, and has a walkable city centre that makes getting around on foot an absolute pleasure. In summer, the city comes alive with outdoor festivals and long golden evenings that seem to last forever.

Tartu, Estonia – Europe's Most Charming Hidden Gem

A university town with medieval roots, Tartu scored a Safety Index of 78.7 and consistently impresses solo female travellers with its small-city charm and low crime rates. It's walkable, affordable, packed with cozy caf  s and independent bookshops, and the locals are some of the friendliest you'll encounter anywhere in Europe.

If you're planning an Eastern Europe itinerary, Tartu is the kind of place you arrive for a day and stay for a week.



Lugano, Switzerland ?? Where Luxury Meets Security



Switzerland's reputation for safety is globally renowned, and Lugano – a lakeside city in the Italian-speaking canton of Ticino – is one of its most beautiful expressions. Sharing its Safety Index score of 78.7 with Tartu, Lugano pairs stunning Alpine scenery with an easygoing Mediterranean atmosphere.

Walking along the lake promenade at any hour feels completely secure. The city is compact, the public transport is impeccable, and the café culture will make you want to slow down and simply *be*.

Hong Kong – A World City That Prioritizes Safety

With a Safety Index of 78.6, Hong Kong remains one of Asia's most safety-conscious cities. Its legendary public transit system – one of the best in the world – means solo female travellers can get virtually anywhere efficiently and safely, even late at night.

Despite the city's density and constant energy, violent crime rates are extremely low. Dim sum breakfasts, harbour walks, and trail hikes through lush green peaks await.



Zagreb, Croatia â?? The Surprise of Southeast Europe



Croatia's capital is having a well-deserved moment, and solo female travellers are partly driving that trend. Zagreb scored 78.6 on the Safety Index and consistently earns high marks for its walkable old town, thriving café scene, and low violent crime rates.

It's more affordable than most Western European capitals, yet offers a quality of life and cultural richness that rivals cities twice its size. The outdoor markets, medieval architecture, and incredibly warm locals make it one of Europe's most compelling under-the-radar destinations.

Tallinn, Estonia – A Fairytale City With Real-World Safety

Estonia makes the list twice – and for good reason. Tallinn, the country's capital, scored 78.4 on the Safety Index and is consistently celebrated as one of Europe's most beautifully preserved medieval cities. Its cobblestone Old Town is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and feels genuinely magical at dusk.

Tallinn is compact enough to navigate entirely on foot, and its efficient transport links make day trips easy. Digital infrastructure is outstanding â?? Estonia is one of the worldâ??s most tech-forward nations â?? so practical things like connectivity, transportation apps, and navigation are seamless.



Munich, Germany â?? Classic Europe, Consistently Safe



Germany's southern capital is a perennial favourite on solo travel lists, and its Safety Index score of 78.4 confirms what many travellers already know: Munich is simply easy. The transport system is world-class, the city is clean and well-organized, and the blend of beer gardens, baroque architecture, world-class museums, and Alpine proximity makes it endlessly rewarding.

As a base for exploring Bavaria, the Black Forest, or even neighbouring Austria and Switzerland, it's hard to beat.

Ljubljana, Slovenia – Europe's Best-Kept Secret

Rounding out the top 10 with a Safety Index of 78.2 is Ljubljana, Slovenia's compact and utterly charming capital. Often overlooked in favour of its more famous neighbours, Ljubljana is the kind of city that solo female travellers discover and immediately want to tell every woman they know about.

The car-free city centre is built for wandering. The castle overlooks a river lined with outdoor caf  s. Locals are warm, and the city's progressive values and strong community ethos create a palpable

sense of ease for women travelling alone.



Ready to Start Planning Your Next Trip?

Whether youâ??re drawn to the vibrant night markets of Taipei, the medieval charm of Tallinn, or the lakeside tranquility of Lugano, 2026 is a remarkable time to be a solo female traveler. The world is genuinely opening up in new and wonderful ways â?? and some of its most exciting destinations are also its most secure.

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