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Top Places to Live 2021

Your guide to the best places to settle down in the city, the 'burbs and beyond.

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If You Already Want to Move Back to the City

Back Bay

Median Condo Price: \$1,160,000

One-Year Change: -3%

Is the Back Bay ever not in demand? Certainly not according to neighborhood real estate experts, who say inventory remains tight during the pandemic. “Even in COVID, it’s continued to be a top choice, because it’s low-density living,” notes MGS Group Real Estate founder Maggie Gold Seelig, pointing to the area’s century-plus-old brownstones. Those who prefer luxury condos, of course, also have plenty of options, from the Mandarin Oriental and Four Seasons One Dalton to the new Raffles Back Bay Hotel and Residences, slated to open in 2022. Find something now and you’ll be glad you did: After all, “Buying real estate in the Back Bay is like buying a blue-chip stock—your asset will always hold or appreciate in value,” says Compass broker Jeannemarie Conley.