



*Fill in the descriptions of the cities with the words from the box:*

incessantly sprawling edgy stuff my face smack dab breeze laden densely  
raucous dense swept me off my feet palpable under-the-radar get a handle

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is one of those places I can never get enough of. It's a city \_\_\_\_\_ in the middle of the ocean, a lion-shaped mountain, and one of the seven natural wonders of the world. I am absolutely obsessed with this place and literally get sad thinking about it every day as if it were one of my exes or something. \_\_\_\_\_ is a battlefield where the burning African sun clashes with the ever-roaring ocean and the mountains stand omnipresent, never wavering in their defence of the city. The violent waves crash \_\_\_\_\_ and when the wind blows, it shrieks and howls. The history of \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ with shipwrecks, and many of those who find themselves here are just survivors washing up on her rugged ['rʌɡɪd] shores. The magnificence of the nature surrounding \_\_\_\_\_ is rivalled and perhaps outshone only by the \_\_\_\_\_ culture that brings the city to life.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ is one of the best cities in the world for foodies. I always stop in when I'm in Asia and \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ with some of the best dumplings in the world. The city is busy and \_\_\_\_\_ (it's one of the most \_\_\_\_\_ populated places on the planet) but it has a fun nightlife and tons of activities to keep you entertained, from markets to temples to nearby hikes outside the city. While the city offers an interesting mix between eastern and western cultures, what really sets \_\_\_\_\_ apart from other massive cities is just how clean and well-organized it is. Getting around is a \_\_\_\_\_, making it an easy and fun place to explore for a few days — or more!

3. Sitting at the crossroads of two continents, \_\_\_\_\_ is a deeply historical, culturally significant, and beautifully diverse city. Home to nearly 20 million people, it has this amazing clash of old and new, east and west, Christian and Islamic. You can sense the dynamism of a city that is always changing. From \_\_\_\_\_ spice markets to ancient mosques, there is so much to see and do. \_\_\_\_\_ is a place that you can keep coming back to again and again, because you'll never run out of things to try. \_\_\_\_\_ is such an endlessly fascinating place to explore with tons of museums, galleries, markets and historical sights to visit. I think it is the perfect jumping off point for exploring other parts of the country, or it can be a destination in its own right. You'll need a minimum of 48 hours to really \_\_\_\_\_ on the city.

4. It was the first eastern European city that \_\_\_\_\_ me \_\_\_\_\_! \_\_\_\_\_ has a humble vibe about it that I could feel from the minute I arrived. The historic architecture is really beautiful, especially along the riverfront. One of the reasons I enjoyed \_\_\_\_\_ so much was the \_\_\_\_\_ commitment to local makers and independent boutique owners in every neighbourhood around the city. In my opinion, shopping in \_\_\_\_\_ is cool, because it offers so many independent boutiques, vintage collections, and local brands. It feels \_\_\_\_\_ & trendy because there are so many \_\_\_\_\_ brands that I would not have learned about otherwise. Another highlight of my travel was visiting a few of the city's famed thermal baths. A stop at one of 9 thermal baths in \_\_\_\_\_ is an absolute must-do activity. They don't call it the City of Spas for no reason!