

# Characteristics of successful Airbnb listing in Post-Covid (2018/08 – 2021/01)

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#### **Definition of "Success":**

successful listing is the one that demonstrates both popularity and high quality, fulfilling both following criteria:

- Metrics 1--- High Number of Reviews
  - o indicating strong demand and frequent bookings
- Metrics 2--- High Review Score
  - reflecting guest satisfaction and overall service excellence



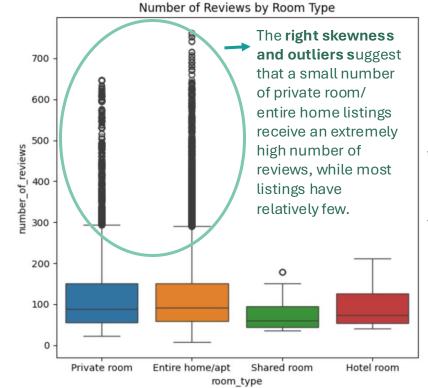
- Both room types show left skewness on review scores which means more lower-end ratings.
- Private rooms and entire homes exhibit a wider range of review scores, indicating variability in guest experiences.
- Some listings achieve exceptionally high ratings, reinforcing their popularity and perceived quality, while others receive lower scores, potentially due to inconsistencies in service, amenities, or expectations.

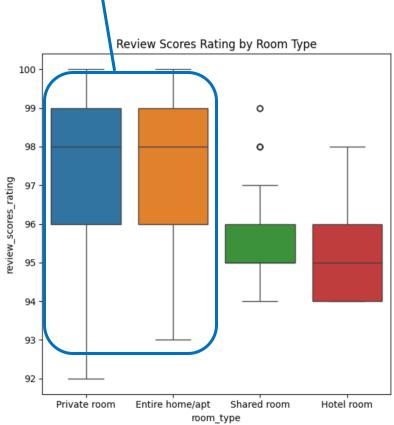
## **Keywords in Airbnb Descriptions**

- Private, Guest, House, Bathroom, Kitchen, Parking, Wi-Fi
- Implications: Guests prioritize privacy, space, essential amenities (like bathrooms and kitchens), and convenience (e.g., parking) in their accommodations. The demand for Wi-Fi also suggests a need for remote work capabilities.

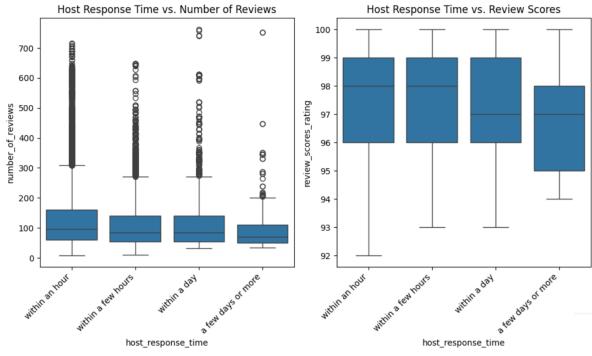
### **Keywords in Successful Listings**

- Restaurant, Neighborhood, Walk, Beach, Minute, Hollywood
- Implications: Listings that emphasize location, accessibility (e.g., walkability), and nearby attractions (e.g., beaches, restaurants, Hollywood) are more likely to succeed.





## What can Host do for Successful Listings



#### **Number of Reviews By Superhost Status**

- · Superhosts have a higher median number of reviews
- The interquartile range (IQR) is larger for Superhosts
  - Meaning they tend to receive more frequent bookings.
- Non-Superhosts have more extreme outliers
  - Suggesting that while some non-Superhosts perform well, the majority do not reach the same review count as Superhosts

#### **Review Scores Rating by Superhost Status**

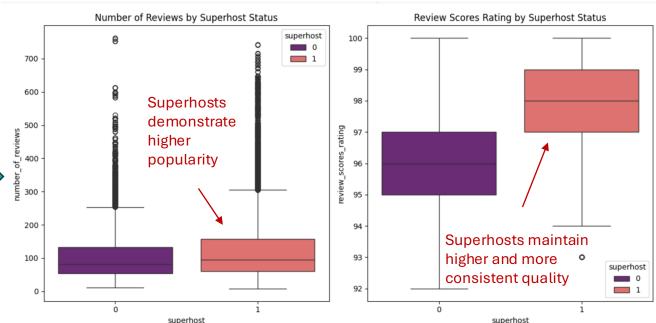
- · Superhosts have a higher median review score
  - Indicating better guest satisfaction and service quality
- The range of review scores for Superhosts is smaller
  - meaning they consistently receive high ratings.
- Non-Superhosts show higher variability in their review scores

#### Host Response Time vs. Number of Reviews

- · Hosts respond within an hour tend to have the highest number of reviews
  - Having a higher median and more frequent extreme values
- As response time increases the number of reviews decreases
  - Indicating that slower responses correlate with lower booking activity.
- Conclusion
  - Hosts who respond faster tend to attract more guests and accumulate more reviews, making their listings more successful in terms of popularity.

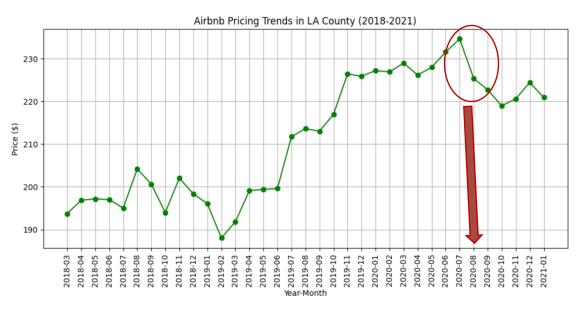
#### **Host Response Time vs. Review Scores**

- · Listings with faster response tend to have higher median review scores.
- Listings with longer hosts response time show lower review scores
  - Their larger spread indicates inconsistency in guest satisfaction.
- Conclusion
  - Quick host responses contribute to higher guest satisfaction, reinforcing the idea that responsiveness is crucial for maintaining high-quality service.



# **Appendix 1-1**

Filtering Dataset Focus – Step 1: Focus on Post Covid Period 2020/08 – 2021/01



	id name	description	neighborhood_overview	host_response_time	host_response_rate	host_acceptance_rate	host_is_superhost	room_type	accommodates	bathrooms_text	bedrooms	amenities	number_of_reviews	review_scores_rating	, year mor	ıth
0 1	Amazing bright elegant condo park front *UPGRA	upgraded with new bamboo	NaN	NaN	NaN	0%	f	Entire home/apt	6	2 baths	2.0	["Smoke alarm", "Hot tub", "Indoor fireplace",	2	80.0	0 2020	8
1 3	Family 44 perfect;Pool;Near Studios!	perrect for	Quiet-yet-close to all the fun in LA! Hollywoo	within a day	70%	36%	f	Entire home/apt	6	1 bath	3.0	["Fireplace guards", "Children\u2019s dinnerwa	8	97.0	0 2020	8
<b>2</b> 27			We are minutes away from the Mentor Language I	within an hour	100%	100%	t	Private room	1	1.5 baths	1.0	["Smoke alarm", "Hot tub", "Indoor fireplace",	26	97.0	0 2020	8

## **Appendix 1-2**

- Filtering Dataset Focus Step 2: Focus on the listings that has Reviews Scores Rating
  - > Mean & Numbers of Reviews > Mean

					number_of_reviews		
				count	31035.000000		
	id	review_scores_rating	number_of_reviews	mean	214.362301		
0	109	80.0	12	std	385.451121		
1	344	97.0	16	min	1.000000		
2	2708	97.0	162	25%	12.000000		
3	2732	94.0	126	50%	58.000000		
5	5728	96.0	1550	75%	236.000000		
				max	5030.000000		
42379	47337808	100.0	1	dtype:	float64		
42390	47340625	100.0	1	atype.	nouto-r		
42427	47363464	100.0	1		review_scores_rating		
42441	47374854	100.0	1	count	31035.000000		
42458	47389079	100.0	1	mean	93.967425		
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				min	20.000000		
				25%	93.000000		
				50%	97.000000		
				75%	100.000000		
				max	100.000000		

	id	name	description	neighborhood_overview	host_response_time	host_response_rate	host_acceptance_rate	host_is_superhost	room_type	accommodates
5	5728	Tiny Home in Artistic Oasis near Venice and LAX	Our home is located near Venice Beach without	Our neighborhood is very quiet and save. There	within an hour	100%	95%	t	Private room	2
6	5729	Zen Room with Floating Bed near Venice and LAX	Our home is located near Venice Beach without	Our neighborhood is very quiet and save. There	within an hour	100%	95%	t	Private room	3
11	7992	Quiet,Walkable Area/Sanitized,New Kitchen,Cozy	Furnished apartment with a walk score of 77 in	Atwater Village has a variety of great shops a	within a few hours	100%	99%	t	Entire home/apt	4
12	8770	Cozy Guest House on Venice Walk St.	<pre> <b>The space  /&gt;Are you looking for some</b></pre>	Close to the beach and the neighborhood walk s	NaN	NaN	84%	t	Entire home/apt	2
13	9140	City Place Lofts	Shared space - private room with its own entra	NaN	NaN	NaN	100%	f	Private room	2

bathrooms_text	bedrooms	amenities	${\tt number\_of\_reviews}$	review_scores_rating	year	month	superhost
1 shared bath	1.0	["Smoke alarm", "Private entrance", "Microwave	310	96.0	2020	8	1
1 shared bath	1.0	["Carbon monoxide alarm", "Smoke alarm", "Priv	230	95.0	2020	8	1
1 bath	1.0	["Lockbox", "Smoke alarm", "Private entrance",	240	99.0	2020	8	1
1 bath	NaN	["Smoke alarm", "Private entrance", "Microwave	401	94.0	2020	8	1
1.5 shared baths	1.0	["Lockbox", "Room- darkening shades", "Smoke al	393	95.0	2020	8	0