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AWESOMELY SUMMER
Summer packages 2008



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Sent in search of gold by the King of France,
Jacques Cartier set foot in Québec in 1534
and discovered so much more:
a land of emotions!





Everywhere you turn in Québec,
you'll find pictures that really are
**WORTH A
THOUSAND WORDS.**

Deliciously enchanting. Abundantly comfy and secure. Tastefully indulgent in every way. Step into Québec's carefree energy, European-style cities and breathtaking diversity. Experience magical lakes, rivers and streams, spectacular mountains and valleys, bountiful orchards, historic chateaus and first-rate luxury spas. Outdoor and indoor treasures galore translate into vacation memories you'll cherish and adore. Intensely urban, sublimely resortful, passionately St. Lawrence and exuberantly wild. Elegantly French, decidedly North American, stylish and cultured, adventuresome and playful, Québec is perfectly awesome every time!

Eastern Townships



québec

INTENSELY URBAN



Dive into the fun, **HEART SOARING,**
body and mind relaxing, **SMILE GLOWING!**

HEAD-OVER-HEELS IN LOVE

From the get-go, our cities steal your heart and seduce your senses. From über-trendy Montréal to lush Laval, 400-year-old historic Québec City to naturally spectacular Gatineau, each of them casts a beguiling and irresistible spell. Whether you're a devoted foodie, culture hound, nature nut, history buff, art aficionado, architecture lover, sports fan, fashion fanatic or unabashed party animal, Québec's cities have what it takes in the summer of 2008!

Montréal



Our chic streets overflow with
OLD WORLD COURTESY
and New World energy.

Québec City





Shop and museum-hop by day,
**INDULGE IN FESTIVITIES
AND CULINARY DELIGHTS** by night.



COOK UP NON-STOP MEMORIES

Savor the flavor of Québec's uniquely heart-warming *joie de vivre*. Stroll along our people-friendly city streets, gallery gallivanting, museum hopping, designer-boutique shopping, tour-guided sightseeing, gourmet dining and late-night dancing.

With Québec City turning 400 this year, the celebrations are already in high gear. Perched above the magnificent St. Lawrence River, the city's spectacular fortifications, centuries-old battlefield and colorful sidewalk cafés play host to hundreds of festive birthday events. In 2008, the birthplace of New France reigns supreme, exuding more beauty and merriment than you've ever seen.

Not to be outdone, exuberant Montréal, the world's second largest French-speaking city, extends a sassy welcome in any language. Take in its architectural treasures, powershop in its famous underground city and let the chips fall where they may in its world-class casino. Fill your cup with championship tennis and golf, while joining in on a bevy of festivals and events fueled by fireworks, jazz, comedy, films and Formula One drivers from around the globe.

Glorious Gatineau awaits, just a stone's throw from Ottawa, Canada's capital, boasting miles of golf courses, sandy beaches and bike paths, a dazzling casino, gorgeous Gatineau Park, colorful hot-air balloons and the must-see Museum of Civilization, a tribute to Native, French and English culture and imagination.

Feast like royalty on sidewalk bistros along virtually every street, one of the many reasons summer in Québec just can't be beat!



SUBLIMELY RESORTFUL



TREAT YOURSELF to a larger-than-life playground,
where **PEACE OF MIND** is easily found.

DISCOVER TOTAL BLISS

Time to unwind. Empty your mind. Abandon yourself to the pleasure of leisure in our breathtaking resorts where vacations go swimmingly well. Nestled up against city doorsteps or tucked away deep in the forest, extraordinary resorts, lodges and inns await with every amenity and affordable luxury. Here, silence is golden, sunsets gloriously red, stars dazzlingly brilliant, food sinfully divine, beds sublimely comfortable and hosts famously bighearted. Relax, rejuvenate, recharge.

The Laurentians



Tee time, playtime, downtime,
zzzz time, you'll **FALL IN LOVE**
with our summers big time.

Charlevoix



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DOLCE VITA QUÉBEC-STYLE, glorious, extraordinary and oh-so-very necessary

YOU DESERVE THE BEST.

Travel alone, with family or friends. Every day, discover new ways to play and indulge in the bounty of Québec's unspoiled and abundant nature.

Four-season destination resorts, romantic inns, farmhouse B&Bs, secluded lighthouses, sensational spas, luxury log castles, riverside manors, cozy cabins, fully equipped campgrounds and gourmet hunting and fishing lodges — summer in Québec is quite the sight.



Laze the days away or dive into action — biking, hiking, golfing and horseback riding for landlubbers; canoeing, motorboating, sailing, waterskiing and swimming for water lovers.

Drive 90 minutes north of Montréal to the Laurentians' highest peak for boatloads of invigorating fun at Tremblant's renowned year-round resort. Down the coast from Québec City, the stunning Charlevoix region beckons. Golf to your heart's content, then surrender to pampering hands in ultra-chic spas. Uncork your favorite vintage and feast on fresh gastronomic fare prepared with a distinctive flair.

On the Eastern Townships' delicious circuit tours and fascinating heritage trails, uncover culinary pleasures and local treasures like wines, ciders, cheeses, Native and Québec art, covered bridges and church steeples.

Fall in love, naturally, with Québec's awe-inspiring national parks and tourist centers, topped by Mont-Tremblant, Jacques-Cartier and Station Duchesnay.

Everywhere you turn, good times, food and company are guaranteed!



Manicouagan

PASSIONATELY ST. LAWRENCE



DROP ANCHOR in Québec, where summer is all about GETTING WET!

COASTING ALONG

This summer, discover the mighty St. Lawrence River, an ever-dominant force that literally shaped the New World. Navigate its archipelagos, hop from island to island, cast your fishing line from shore to shore. By kayak, sailboat, ferry, cruise ship or guided excursion, short or long stay, you'll revel in our marine mammals' splashy display. Fascinating shoreline parks offer so much to see and do. Endless diversions beckon you to discover this land awash in blue.

Dive into **A FEAST**
for the senses that makes sense **OF LIFE.**



AS GOOD AS IT GETS

Try a scenic coastal drive, peaceful ferry ride or exhilarating two-wheel whirl on the river's north or south shore. Take time out for a memorable riverside banquet of seafood, fish and other local delights. Canoe, kayak or sail to historic coastal towns where lighthouses, seabirds and gourmet fare abound.

Explore Île d'Orléans and Île aux Coudres's orchards and cider houses, Anticosti Island's white-tailed deer and Îles de la Madeleine's dunes and cliffs. Majestic river meets spectacular fjord in the Saguenay–St. Lawrence Marine Park, while Parc national du Bic boasts romantic coves, islands and mountains. Scented algae massages are a total treat in chateaus with a perfect view as far as you see.

EXUBERANTLY WILD

Gaspésie

Discover **YOUR**
TRUE NATURE in our nature



For those who are game,
BIG-TIME ADVENTURE
is Québec's middle name.

EXHILARATINGLY CLOSE

Lured by the loon's call, fish-filled lakes and streams, game-packed forests and mountains, adventurers of all ages unearth an enticing array of outdoor experiences in Québec. Haul your gear to a rustic cabin tucked away in the woods, pitch your tent beside a pristine lake, fly into one of Québec's upscale hunting and fishing lodges. There's no end to the awe-inspiring experiences when you fall, hook, line and sinker, for our perfectly wild adventures.



STUNNINGLY ABUNDANT

Count them... 27 national parks, 16 wildlife reserves, two mountain chains, almost 2,000 miles of coastline, a Québec-wide network of marked bike paths called the Route Verte that's just as long, hundreds of thousands of lakes and rivers, 700 outfitters, thousands of campsites and infinite possibilities to push the envelope or sit in quiet contemplation.



Scale the spectacular Torngat Mountains overlooking the sea. Whip through whitewaters, canoe on still lakes. Reel in trophy-size fish. Feel your heart pound as you track big game. Linger over exquisite meals, life-changing sunrises, sing-along beach bonfires and glittery northern lights. And listen to the Native and Inuit legends whispering in the wind — a pure delight!

Charlevoix



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TOURISM EVENTS

Visitors to Québec City — the “Capitale” — will be in for a special treat as celebrations commemorating the city’s 400th anniversary get into full swing!

QUÉBEC CITY’S 400TH ANNIVERSARY
monquebec2008.com

JUNE 20 TO AUGUST 15

Orford Festival

Orford (Eastern Townships)
arts-orford.org

Presented each summer by the Orford Arts Centre, this festival is an eight-week celebration of classical music featuring some 40 concerts and an opera. Theme weekends. Dinner-concerts and free performances.

JUNE 21 TO AUGUST 23

Domaine Forget International Festival

Saint-Irénée (Charlevoix)
www.domaineforget.com

A classical and jazz music festival held each summer on the scenic shores of Charlevoix. Over a two month period, shows and concerts introduce spectators to the talents of international stars, renowned Québec artists and promising young musicians.

JUNE 21 TO OCTOBER 5

International Garden Festival

Grand-Métis (Gaspésie)
jardinsmetis.com

A unique annual North American event that revolves around the creation of contemporary gardens. Enjoy temporary gardens designed by architects, landscape architects, and artists from the world over.

JUNE 27 TO 29

Champ Car Series

Tremblant (Laurentides)
lecircuit.com

Car race held on one of the nicest race tracks in North America.

JULY 4 TO 13

International Blues Festival

Tremblant (Laurentides)
tremblant.ca

The International Blues Festival presents 10 days of free outdoor concerts at the world-class resort of Mont-Tremblant. At night, the area’s bars and restaurants take over, serving up concerts of their own in a wildly festive atmosphere. Celebrate summer by discovering some of today’s most exciting blues artists.

JULY 15 TO 20

Fête du lac des Nations

Sherbrooke (Eastern Townships)
fetedulacdesnations.com

Now celebrating its 27th year, and with more than 50 shows on five stages, the Fête includes the country’s only pan-Canadian fireworks competition. Check out the attractions and the handicrafts village. Fun for one and all!

AUGUST 1 TO 31

International Contemporary Art Symposium

Baie-Saint-Paul (Charlevoix)
symposium-baiesaintpaul.com

A prestigious annual event, the symposium fosters exchanges between the public and artists from Canada, Europe and South America. The artists stay for an entire month in Baie-Saint-Paul to create an original work of art.

AUGUST 2 TO 16

Casino du Lac-Leamy

Sound of Light
Gatineau (Outaouais)
feux.qc.ca

A musical battle of fireworks over water makes for a radiant experience of light and sound. On the final evening of the competition, the winning team receives the Zeus trophy — Zeus, appropriately enough, being the god of thunder.

AUGUST 8 TO 10

Concours de châteaux de sable des Îles (sandcastle competition)

Havre-Aubert (Îles-de-la-Madeleine)
ilesdelamadeleine.com/chateaux

On the Havre-Aubert beach, teams build elaborate castles using only sand and water. Participants can register in one of the following categories: Family, Adult, Artist or Freestyle.

AUGUST 27 TO 31

Festi Jazz international

Rimouski (Bas-Saint-Laurent)
festijazzrimouski.com

“The biggest little jazz festival” invites you to its 23rd edition. During the event, all of Rimouski sways to the sound of jazz. Take advantage of the Jazz Nature and Swing Jazz packages.

AUGUST 29 TO SEPTEMBER 1

Hot-Air Balloon Festival

Gatineau (Outaouais)
montgolfieresgatineau.com

Don’t miss this highly popular event! Eighty balloons, 250 shows, 1,000 motor homes and 200,000 visitors make for a marvelous Labor Day weekend. Wind up the summer in style!

LET THERE BE LIGHT!

Adopting red as its signature color to match the spirit of high-energy excitement and designed with sustainable development in mind, the Quartier des spectacles earned the Energy and Environmental Design Award of Excellence. It lights the way to a brand-new central ticket office: La Vitrine. quartiersdespectacles.com

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admission.com

BILLETECH
www.billetech.com

LA VITRINE
(last-minute tickets)
lavitrine.com

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museesmontreal.org
museocapitale.qc.ca
tourismetroisrivieres.com

EXHIBITIONS

NOVEMBER 14, 2007

TO OCTOBER 19, 2008

Treasures from the Days of New France
Stewart Museum Collection
Musée de la civilisation
Québec City

JANUARY 31 TO JUNE 8

iCuba! Art and History from 1868 to Today
Montréal Museum of Fine Arts
Montréal

APRIL 30, 2008

TO JANUARY 11, 2009

Gold in the Americas
Musée de la civilisation
Québec City

MAY 9 TO SEPTEMBER 7

Jamestown, Québec, Santa Fe – Three North American Beginnings
Canadian Museum of Civilization
Gatineau (Outaouais)

MAY 20 TO OCTOBER 12

France/New France – The Birth of French People in North America
Pointe-à-Callière, Montréal
Museum of Archaeology and History
Montréal

MAY 24 TO SEPTEMBER 2

Triennale d’art québécois/ Triennial of Québec Art
Musée d’art contemporain de Montréal

MAY 29 TO DECEMBER 10

Greek Treasures from the Benaki Museum
Canadian Museum of Civilization
Gatineau (Outaouais)

JUNE 4 TO SEPTEMBER 28

Yves Saint Laurent
Montréal Museum of Fine Arts
Montréal

JUNE 5 TO OCTOBER 26

Le Louvre à Québec
Les arts et la vie
Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec
Québec City

JUNE 6 TO OCTOBER 13

Outdoor Installations by Franco Dragone
Musée de la civilisation
Québec City

JUNE 20, 2008

TO MARCH 22, 2009
Québec’s Folk Arts
Canadian Museum of Civilization
Gatineau (Outaouais)

JUNE 21 TO SEPTEMBER 28

Real life: Ron Mueck and Guy Ben-Ner
National Gallery of Canada
Shawinigan Space
Shawinigan (Mauricie)

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