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**PROVIDING EMOTIONS SINCE 1534** 

Québec 🏜

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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!



The snow drifts slowly downwards caressing your face; then crunches underfoot as you walk the soft streets towards a welcoming restaurant or coffee-shop. Or out in the vast open where you breathe in lungfulls of fresh, pure air as your skis slide effortlessly along the trails between towering pines. Or downhill gently turning, or carving through thigh-high moguls at full speed. A dogsled team rushing you through a blur of white. Who needs to sleep when winter awaits? Sublimely resortful, intensely urban, passionately St. Lawrence, abundantly winter in Québec!







## Smiles spread, contentment grows, WINTER IN QUÉBEC casts a special glow!





## SUBLIMELY **RESORTFUL**



## Make space in your life for a change, EXPERIENCE TOTAL BLISS, discover why our winters shouldn't be missed.

#### **RELAX, REJUVENATE, RECHARGE**

Slip on your skis, strap on your board. With your heart soaring and a refreshing chill in the air, hundreds of freshly-groomed slopes await you where you can take it fast or slow, with views of majestic mountains, distant rivers, glens and valleys—and with loads of elbow room. Unbeatable night skiing and an exciting après-ski scene. Right next to Québec's major cities our winters are just what the doctor ordered!

The Laurentians

Laurentian

# La vie est belle, LIFE IS GOOD, dolce vita.

	Trails	Night Skiing	Snow Parks	Half Pipes	Vertical Drop (m)	Vertical Drop (ft.)	Website
Québec City and A	rea /	Charle	voix				
Mont-Sainte-Anne	65	17	Yes	-	625	2,050	www.mont-sainte-anne.com
Stoneham	32	17	Yes	Yes	420	1,380	www.ski-stoneham.com
Le Massif	43		Yes	Ī	770	2,525	www.lemassif.com
The Laurentians	North	Americ	a's largest	concent	ration of a	alpine ski o	centers and lit runs
Tremblant	94	-	Yes	Yes	645	2,115	www.tremblant.ca/groups
Mont Blanc	40	-	Yes	-	300	984	www.skimontblanc.com
Gray Rocks	22	- 22	Yes	-	190	626	www.grayrocks.com
Ski Chantecler	16	8	Yes	23	201	659	www.skichantecler.com
Saint-Sauveur Valley	y			Seat 1	3	5	1000
Mont Saint-Sauveur	38	30	Yes	Yes	213	699	www.mssi.ca
Morin Heights	23	16	Yes		200	656	www.mssi.ca
Mont Olympia	24	18	Yes		200	656	www.mssi.ca
Mont Gabriel	18	12	Yes		200	656	www.mssi.ca
Eastern Townships	S						
Mont Orford	56	-	Yes	Yes	589	1,932	www.orford.com
Sutton	53	- 12	Yes	-	460	1,510	www.montsutton.com
Owl's Head	44	1740	Yes	Yes	540	1,770	www.owlshead.com
Bromont	104	50	Yes	Contraction of	385	1,263	www.skibromont.com



## TWO MOUNTAIN RANGES, three top-notch ski regions, 90 ski resorts, 800 runs, millions of tons of snow and the finest skiing east of the Rockies!







#### WINTER AT ITS VERY BEST

## Good. Better. Best. Québec's ski resorts easily pass the test!

Pitch a snowball from Montréal or Québec City and you're sure to hit one of our breathtaking ski resorts. Point your compass north to discover five major ski resorts in the famed Laurentian Mountains. Shiver with excitement at the sight of Tremblant, the Number One ski resort in eastern North America with 625 acres of skiable terrain!

Just east of Québec City, Mont Sainte-Anne's riverside setting serves up a near-constant pitch, while Stoneham's horseshoe of slopes energises with adrenaline-pumping night skiing. Further up the coast in Charlevoix, Le Massif boasts the highest vertical drop—2,526 feet—for fast skiing and spectacular shoreline vistas.

Between Montréal and Québec on the south of the river, in the Eastern Townships (*les Cantons-de-l'Est* in French) Mont Orford flaunts three magnificent peaks and tons of snow: Owl's Head lays claim to the beautiful area surrounding Lake Memphremagog; Sutton reigns in glades and Bromont is the king of night skiing.

But winter thrills aren't just downhill. Trek to a cozy log cabin on snowshoes, explore 2,500 miles of impeccable cross-country skiing, or snowmobile along the world's largest network of trails. Skate, snow-raft, snow-tube, ice-climb and ice-fish, scores of choices grant everyone's wish.

Bed down in top-notch resorts, hotels, lodges and inns. Feast on fresh gastronomic fare prepared with a distinctive flair. Surrender to pampering hands in ultra-chic spas.

Uncork your favourite vintage, then gaze up at the stars in exquisite awe.



## INTENSELY URBAN



Like your first love, QUÉBEC'S CITIES leave a lasting impression.

#### **DELIGHTFULLY ENCHANTING**

From mega-hip Montréal to lush Laval, historic and charming Québec City to naturally spectacular Gatineau, there's no escaping our cities' seductive spell. Whether you're a devoted foodie, culture hound, nature lover, history buff, art aficionado, architecture fiend, sports fan, fashion tracker, shopping addict or unabashed party animal, our cities have so many stories to tell.

# From COBBLESTONES and CHATEAUX, to modern skyscrapers and innovative CUISINE.

### SEDUCTIVELY EUROPEAN, EXHILARATINGLY CANADIAN

Feel the lure, say *bonjour* to Québec's bilingual, safe and extra-friendly cities. Put the bounce back in your step, go museum hopping, world-class shopping, heavenly dining and late-night dancing. Skate and cross-country ski right downtown in exuberant Montréal. Gaze wide-eyed at its architectural treasures and shop 'til you drop in its famous underground city. Orbit nearby Laval for its Cosmodôme, an out-of-this-world space science centre, and countless snow-filled adventures. Revel in regal Québec City, the birthplace of New France and Canada's only remaining walled city, as it gets ready to celebrate its 400th birthday in 2008. Lively Gatineau and its stunning Canadian Museum of Civilization are just a stone's throw from Ottawa, Canada's capital, and Winterlude, Canada's wildest winter celebration!

Winter in Québec is total elation!





Montréal

Québec City

## **TOURISM EVENTS 2008**

#### **STARTING IN JANUARY**

Freestyle Grand Prix Sainte-Adèle (Laurentides) www.freestyleski.com

The best freestyle athletes from all over the world make their way to Mont-Gabriel for aerial and mogul World Cup competitions.

#### **JANUARY 26 TO FEBRUARY 10**

Fête des Neiges Montréal www.fetedesneiges.com

When the mercury plunges Montréal warms up at the Parc Jean-Drapeau. On the programme: ice-sculptures, skating, skiing and surprises aplenty!

#### FEBRUARY 1 TO 17

Carnaval de Québec M Christie Québec City www.carnaval.gc.ca

An international crossroads for arts, culture, sporting events and

entertainment, the Québec City carnival is a winter outing to remember for visitors of all ages.

#### FEBRUARY 1 TO 17 Winterlude

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Gatineau (Outaouais) www.capitaleducanada.gc.ca/ winterlude

Fun is waiting for the whole family: the Rideau Canal Skateway, magnificent snow and ice sculptures, high-energy rhythms and shows at the Snowbowl and Snowflake Kingdom. It's the biggest snow playground on the continent!

#### FEBRUARY 8 TO 10

Canadian Ski Marathon Gatineau (Outaouais) www.csm-mcs.com

With ten stages over two days covering 160 km from Lachute to Gatineau, this ski-fest lures more than 2,000 skiers of all ages. The shortest track is 12 km (7.5 miles). Ski at your own pace and enjoy the exhilaration of winter!

#### FEBRUARY 14 TO 17

**Keskinada Loppet** Gatineau (Outaouais) www.keskinada.com

The magnificent Gatineau Park, not far from the city of Gatineau, is the location for this competition. Offering several different courses it's the largest cross-country ski competition in Canada. The Keski brings together thousands of lovers of the outdoors from every corner of the globe.

#### FEBRUARY 15 TO 17 Grand Prix Ski-Doo

Valcourt (Eastern Townships) www.grandprixvalcourt.com

Home of the elite world snowmobile competitions, the Snocross and the Oval, this event is Canada's biggest party for snowmobile enthusiasts. Three days of celebrations and free activities for young and old alike.

#### **FEBRUARY 21 TO MARCH 2**

The Montréal High Lights Festival Montréal

www.montrealhighlights.com

A world-class event the Montréal High Lights Festival warms up winter in this Québec metropolis with the best theatre, museum and culinary delights the city has to offer. Montréal's major theatres, orchestras, dance troupes, museums, and the city's world-renowned restaurants and hotels all join in.

#### END OF FEBRUARY

**Challenge sur glace Continental** Sherbrooke (Eastern Townships) www.challengecanada.com

A spectacle not to be missed! Exotic vehicles from the prestigious Trophée Andros and Rally series, as well as motorcycles, take to Québec's only ice track for racing as you have never seen it before!

#### MARCH

International Festival of Films on Art Montréal www.artfifa.com

A unique annual event specialising in films about art from across the world, this festival encompasses works about architecture, archaeology, cinema, dance, design, music, the visual arts, sculpture, theatre and more.

### **EXHIBITIONS**

MAY 9, 2007 TO APRIL 6, 2008

Musée de la civilisation, Québec City Dragons

www.mcq.org

A subject at once popular, artistic, scientific and mysterious, dragons are a major attraction for young and old alike.

#### SEPTEMBER 6, 2007 TO

Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec, Québec City La Joie de vivre. Picasso at the Château d'Antibes www.mnba.qc.ca

Late in the summer of 1946 Picasso was invited to establish his studio at the Château Grimaldi in Antibes. There, he revisited mythological themes and his work celebrates happiness rediscovered and Mediterranean light.

#### SEPTEMBER 20, 2007 TO JANUARY 6, 2008

Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal Karel Funk: hyperrealist painting www.macm.org

Karel Funk's paintings immediately command the attention with their tightly controlled hyperrealist technique and the artist's approach to the portrait genre.

#### SEPTEMBER 28, 2007 TO AUGUST 10, 2008

Canadian Museum of Civilization, Gatineau

Glenn Gould-The Sounds of Genius www.civilization.ca

An unparalleled assortment of objects, including his beloved pianos, and a collection of sound recordings bring Glenn Gould's legacy back to life.

### OCTOBER 4, 2007 TO

Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec, Québec City Lasting Impressions. Celebrated works from the art gallery of Hamilton

www.mnba.qc.ca

Presenting 86 works belonging to the Art Gallery of Hamilton, this exhibition features Canadian, American and European creations and paintings dating from 1880 to 1950.

#### OCTOBER 4, 2007 TO

Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec, Québec City Paris 1900. Collections of the Petit Palais, Paris www.mnba.qc.ca

Discover the canvases, sculptures, watercolours, engravings, photographs and decorative art objects from the Petit Palais collection of the Musée des beaux-arts de la Ville de Paris.

## OCTOBER 6, 2007 TO

Musée d'art Contemporain de Montréal The Thomas Hirschhorn Work: Jumbo Spoons and Big Cake www.macm.org

This exhibition features a mixed-media installation produced by the artist in 2000 which brings viewers right onto the piece, surrounding them with books and information.

### OCTOBER 6, 2007 TO

Musée d'art Contemporain de Montréal Vik Muniz: Reflex www.macm.org

Brazilian artist Vik Muniz has gained international recognition since the midnineties for his photographic works.

#### DECEMBER 14, 2007 TO APRIL 27, 2008

Canadian Museum of Civilization, Gatineau

Ancient Peru Unearthed: Lost Treasures of a Golden Civilization www.civilization.ca

A thousand years ago in Peru, the Sicán forged a complex civilization. This exhibition features 120 spectacular gold and ceramic objects recently excavated from a previously undisturbed tomb.

#### JANUARY 31, 2008 TO JUNE 8, 2008

Montréal Museum of Fine Arts: Jean-Noël Desmarais Pavilion !Cuba! Art and History from 1895 to Today

www.mbam.qc.ca

The visual art of Cuba is still relatively unknown abroad and no exhibition of this magnitude, featuring some 350 works, has ever been presented before.

### **TOURIST INFORMATION**

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Québec City 12, rue Sainte-Anne (across from the Château Frontenac)





#### Wheelchair access

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