

AUBERGE

# SAINT-ANTOINE

## Neighborhoods & Shopping Areas

### **Quartier Petit-Champlain** (few steps away)

Taking a stroll through the pedestrian streets in this neighborhood should be part of your first steps in the city. Great shopping is the main attraction of Quartier Petit-Champlain, the oldest commercial streets of Québec. Original fashions, crafts, decorations, gifts and great food.

### **Old Port** (our neighborhood!)

Famous neighborhood for art galleries and antics lovers, but you will also find a selection of unique boutiques and restaurants! Discover local delights at the Farmers Market and visit the Museum of Civilisation.

### **Old Quebec** (Upper town section, 5-minute walk)

Walk around the Château Frontenac and along the Dufferin Terrasse to enjoy a pretty view overlooking the lower town and the river. The biggest part of the Old City regroup a number of smaller museums such as Musée du Fort, Monastère des Augustines, Musée des Ursulines, Musée de l'Amérique Francophone, or the Morrin Centre. Other cultural visits include the Citadelle, churches, local craftspeople, boutiques and popular restaurants.

### **Saint-Jean Baptiste** (20-minute walk)

Continue pass the Old City on Saint-Jean Street, discover this local neighborhood offering a selection of funky boutiques, old markets and quirky bars, cafés and restaurants.

### **Nouvo Saint-Roch** (20-minute walk)

Up and coming neighborhood offering funky restaurants, bars, design stores and Hip boutiques on the main street...all on Saint-Joseph street.

### **Montcalm** (40-minute walk)

Cartier Street offers a selection of unique fashion boutiques, fine groceries, small local cafés and groceries. Perfect mix with a visit of the Fine Art Museum located nearby.

### **Limoilou** (40-minute walk)

Cool off the beaten path neighborhood in constant evolution. Discover for its cool restaurants & cafes.

## Walking Tours

[Les Tours Voir Québec](#) - Historic city tours, food tours, group or private (170\$). Join these professional and passionate guides to learn more about our wonderful city!

[Tours Lévis-Quebec](#) – Excellent new company offering 2.5-hour walking tour and private tour (160\$). They focus on providing the history of Quebec City in perspective with the North American history. Only company offering regular tours from our neighborhood!

[Mendel Tours](#) – Excellent private walking tour with Mr. Mendel who is well renowned for its deep knowledge of the City and his historic books. Private walking tour starts for 260\$. *Reservations required weeks in advance.*

[Quebec City Food Tour](#) – The company specialized is Food Tours in Saint-Roch neighborhood, and new this year: in the Old City & Faubourg Saint-Jean-Baptiste! Fun and friendly approach. Reservation online only.

### [Ghost Tours - Les Promenades Fantômes](#)

On several nights over summer, enjoy a great animated 2-hour guided tour with an interactive street theatre where ghosts from the French regime tell you about their stories. Scandals, criminals, legends, historical incarcerations and executions...be ready to learn about the dark side of Quebec! Also, regular animated guided tours offer every night except when the interactive street is on. *Adapted for families, however a few curse words are used.*

[Cicerone](#) - Learn the rich history of Quebec City with an historical character. Group and private tour available. *Christmas Tour available on Saturdays and Sundays from December 1st and every day from December 24th to January 2nd at 1:30PM.*

## Wheeled Tours

[Old Quebec Tours](#) - Give you a nice overview of the city, inside and outside the walls or enjoy a countryside!

[Quebec Bus Tour](#) - Country-side tour of the Orleans Island including 5-gourmet stops. Excellent deal & small groups.

**Private driver- guide** - [Limo A1](#) has exceptional guides to discover the city and the countryside in style! Please allow 90 minutes to two hours for a City Tour and three hours to a full day for a country side tour. Starts at 75\$++ per hour.

[Horse buggy tour](#) - Romantic way to discover the City, 40 minutes tour for 100\$ (maximum 4 people per buggy). No reservation, we will indicate you where to find them in the upper town. Cancelled if the weather is under -20C (-4F).

## Winged Tours

[Capitale Hélicoptère /Go Hélico](#) - Amazing way to enjoy city or country flyovers. "Pilot of the day" package available for the most memorable experience!

[Montgolfière Aventure](#) - Wow! An hot-air balloon flight is always a memorable experience, picture yourself crossing over the majestic Saint-Lawrence River and the Old City from high above! The landing site is never predicted, the winds will keep the surprise until the end. Highly experimented team. Departures are subject to be cancelled or changed depending on weather. This is surprisingly a great winter activity as the conditions are at their best!

## Museums

[Musée de la Civilisation](#) - The Musée de la Civilisation links the past, the present and the future. While remaining strongly rooted in the reality of Québec, it projects a new, attentive and dynamic outlook on all of human experience in its whole, and on civilizations from the world over. *Close on Mondays and on December 25th.*

[Musée National des Beaux-Arts du Québec](#) - Located in the heart of the Plains of Abraham, the Fine Arts Museum presents exhibitions featuring Québec artists, past and present, and prestigious international art exhibitions. The brand-new pavilion, Pierre Lassonde, has opened since the end of June 2016, a must! *Close on Mondays and on December 25th.*

[Monastère des Augustines](#) – Opened since 2015, this brilliant museum introduces you to the evolution of the spiritual and social engagement of the Augustinian Sisters of Quebec through the history and from the 40 000 artifacts drawn from 12 monastery hospitals. By visiting the permanent exhibition, you will discover their way of life, their work caring for the sick, and how they balanced their traditional vocations by action and contemplation. *Tip: make the most of your visit by having a healthy lunch on site or joining one of the daily classes given on site such as yoga and meditation.*

[Musée du Fort](#) - This museum presents a sound and light show that recreates the six attempts to take the city over the years. The military history is related using a spectacular 36 m<sup>2</sup> (400 sq. ft.) historic model of Québec City in 1759 along with the latest visual and audio technology. Permanent exhibitions with artefacts complete the show. *Close from November 27th to December 25th; January 8th to January 24rd. Open every day from December 26th to January 3rd, Thursday to Sunday between January 24th and March 31st.*

[Morrin Centre](#) - This National Historic Site featuring the first prison in Quebec City built over 200 years ago, the Morrin Centre also houses one of the world's most beautiful libraries.

[Musée des Ursulines](#) - The Musée des Ursulines de Québec is an art and history museum whose mission is to preserve and present the rich heritage of the oldest teaching order in the province, based in Quebec City since 1639.

[La Citadelle de Québec](#) - La Citadelle is an active military garrison and cannot be visited individually. The one-hour guided tour will provide you information about the American attacks, the construction of the fortress and its buildings. The visit of the Royal 22e Régiment Museum located in an old French powder magazine (1750) and a former military prison (1842) is included in the tour. Guided tours are offered in French or English. *Close on December 25th and January 1st. Visits are available from 10am to 3pm.*

[Parliament building](#) - The guided visit is free, more or less 4 times a day, more during the holidays alternatively in English and in French. *Tip: try to mix a visit with a lunch at their restaurant: Le Parlementaire; sumptuous dining room! Open on week days.*

### [Plains of Abraham \(Battlefields Park\)](#)

Wonderful historic park enjoyable all year round which offers pretty views overlooking the river. This park is one of Canada's most important historical parks as well as one of the most prestigious city parks. This is where the historical battle between the French and the English troops took place in 1759.

[Aquarium](#) - 10,000 marine animals inhabit the Aquarium: fish, reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates, and sea mammals. Among them, polar bear, walrus, and seals will provide you with unique moments. Watch them when they're feeding or being trained

## Discover the Countryside

**[Orleans Island](#)** - From early summer to late fall, the Orleans Island offers a charming half-day trip with its small typical villages. Local craft and products, vineyards, cider houses, farms to visit or where to enjoy u-pick fruits (apples, strawberries, raspberries along the seasons). Specialties to look for: apple products, maple syrup, duck products, local wines and ice ciders. Our favorite lunch spot in our very own gourmet food truck, Panache Mobile, sharing the site with the vineyard Sainte-Pétronille for a perfect match! Enjoy an exceptional view overlooking the vineyard and the Montmorency Falls with high-end street food and a glass of wine. Our top picks: lobster roll and a glass of white wine, Le Voile de la Mariée! Delicious! *Tip: combine your visit to the island with the Montmorency Falls located in the same area. To get on the Island: Car rental, limousine service for private tour or bus tours.*

**[Montmorency Falls](#)** - Located between the river and the cliffs, the Montmorency Falls (83 m) dominates the landscape. It can be visited on foot, by cable car, or from the gourmet restaurant. This park is a few minutes from Québec City.

**[Sainte-Anne de Beaupré Basilica](#)** - This world pilgrimage site can be visited all year long. Superb visit! (40-minute drive from the hotel, past the Falls)

**[Canyon Ste-Anne](#)** - At 45-minute driving distance from Quebec City, explore the imposing 74m high Sainte-Anne waterfall rumbling into its 1.2-billion-year-old notch. Go across the highest pedestrian bridge in Quebec, 55 meters high. Thrilling via ferratas and giant zipline.

## Charlevoix region - Further up the East Coast

**Baie Saint-Paul and the 362 East - [Charlevoix region](#)** is located further up the East (pass Beaupré Coast). The main reason to visit is the charming artist town of Baie-Saint-Paul and the stunning scenic drive linking Baie-Saint-Paul to La Malbaie (road 362 East). The region is accessible by road and also by train in summer time... travelling between mountains and seashore, along 140 km of breathtaking riverside scenery between Québec City and La Malbaie, the **[Train de Charlevoix](#)** conveys passengers on a unique cruise experience. Reservations have to be made in advance.

**[Whales watching](#)** (About 3 hours driving from Quebec City pass Charlevoix region) - Tadoussac area is located at the mouth of the Saguenay River, on the banks of the St. Lawrence River. This area was the first North American member of the *Most Beautiful Bays in the World Club*. It is an ideal place for visitors to observe whales and other sea birds and mammals. The interpretation centre will give you more information about these impressive animals. *Packages including bus transportation from Quebec City.*

## Nature and culture

**[Jacques Cartier National Park](#)** - 30 minutes driving from Québec City, Jacques-Cartier National Park features a remarkable landscape characterized by contrasts: mountainous uplands fractured by steep-sided valleys. A river winds through the most spectacular of them, the Valley de la Jacques-Cartier, a trench more than 550 m deep. This is a wonderful park to enjoy the Falls colors!

**[Wendake Village](#)** - Visit this native village located at 30 minutes driving distance from Quebec downtown. This is the only huron-wendat community in Canada! Discover their culture by visiting their top attractions such as the **[Huron traditional site](#)** or the **[Hotel Musée Premières-Nations](#)**.

## Golf Options

### [Le Royal-Quebec](#) – 25 minutes

Founded in 1874 and established in Boischatel since 1925, the Royal Quebec Golf Club is a high-end semi-private club. Offering 36 holes and considered one of the oldest clubs in America, it has a typical country club atmosphere. Located a few steps from the Montmorency Falls, the clubhouse panoramic windows offer spectacular views of Île d'Orléans and Quebec City.

### [Club de Golf Alpin](#) – 30 minutes

Located on a plateau surrounded by beautiful Laurentian Mountains, the club continues to improve and modernize since its opening in the 60s, so that it now offers its members and visitors one of the finest golf venues in the region of Quebec. A visit to the Alpine Golf Club will enchant you! The playing conditions are quite remarkable throughout the season and so is the scenery.

### [Le Grand Vallon](#) – 45 minutes

One of Eastern Canada's most beautiful golf courses. 6,583 yards long, it alternates undulating tree lined fairways and a large plain at mid-course. Four lakes and 42 white sand bunkers contribute to the golfer's challenge.

## Special events

### [Quebec City Film Festival](#) - September 13 to 22

Excellent film festival including outdoor and indoor presentations. Perfect event for local and international films lovers.

### [German Christmas market](#) - November 22 to December 23 (Thursday to Sunday)

Visit this magical Christmas market taking place in the Upper Town. Local and German products available and festive ambiance with animation.

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