# Spring Lake Park Recreation presents...

# Discover Christmas Markets of Montreal and Quebec City

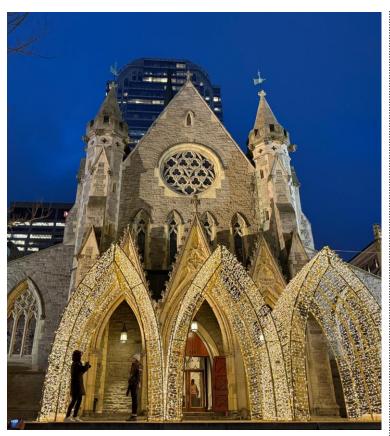
**December 17 - 23, 2026** 





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7 Days • 9 Meals: 6 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

**HIGHLIGHTS...** Quebec City's German Christmas Markets, Montreal's Christmas Markets, Montmorency Falls, Maple Sugar Shack, Bûche de Noël Workshop

#### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Days 1, 2 Le Centre Sheraton Montreal, Montreal, Ouebec

Days 3 – 5 Hotel Chateau Laurier, Quebec, Quebec
Day 6 Le Centre Sheraton Montreal, Montreal,

Quebec

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Thursday, December 17, 2026 Montreal Inviting winter cityscapes await on a sojourn through the dazzling French-Canadian cities of Montreal and Quebec City. Arriving in Montreal, discover a blend of all things old and new. As travelers' arrival times will vary, we have not included any sightseeing today. Spend the day as you wish, exploring the city independently. Throughout this festive adventure, you'll get to experience the wonderful Christmas markets in Montreal and Quebec City, which run Thursday to Sunday throughout the holiday season.

Day 2: Friday, December 18, 2026 Montreal Today, set out on a sightseeing tour of Montreal in all its holiday splendor, featuring Jacques Cartier Square, McGill University, and the Underground City – a haven for Montrealers during the long and cold winters. Make a stop high atop Mount Royal and take in the spectacular surrounding view! Christened by Jacques Cartier in 1535, Mount Royal is the small, emblematic mountain in the city and Montreal's namesake. Enjoy some free time for lunch in Old Montreal (maybe warming up with a cup of hot chocolate) and soak in more of the joyful holiday atmosphere. Get ready to experience the Christmas market of Montreal,\* meandering through the rows of local vendors and holiday stalls. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Saturday, December 19, 2026 Montreal - Quebec City
Leaving Montreal this morning, travel northeast to say bonjour to
Quebec City, the heart of Canada's French heritage. Every winter,
the city lights up with the magic of the holiday season. Upon
arriving, enjoy free time for a bite to eat and to explore the Old
Town (UNESCO), strolling along picturesque cobblestone streets
and beside 17th-century buildings. After checking into your hotel
later this afternoon, stroll through the Old Town some more and
gather at a restaurant for dinner amid this holiday fairy-tale
setting. (B, D)

Day 4: Sunday, December 20, 2026 Quebec City Join your local guide for a city tour, learning about Quebecois holiday traditions while viewing the city's historic sites and getting an up-close glimpse of the gorgeous Chateau Frontenac. Spend the afternoon exploring as you wish, where you can stroll among the wooden stalls in Quebec City's German Christmas markets.\* Enjoy the evening at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Monday, December 21, 2026 Quebec City This morning, roll up your sleeves for a workshop in how to create a beloved holiday dessert, the *Bûche de Noël*. A culinary take on the ancient practice of burning a Yule log at Christmastime, the *Bûche de Noël*, indeed resembling a log, has a special place on the holiday table. Practice your hand at the elaborate process of rolling the delicate chocolate sponge with a rich mousse filling and decorating with a buttercream made to look like tree bark and meringue mushrooms. Today is yours to surround yourself in the holiday spirit of Quebec City. Wander through the enchanting streets of Old Quebec, adorned with lights and festive decorations. Stroll through Christmas markets, sipping hot chocolate or mulled wine and tasting other seasonal treats. Throughout the city, experience the essence of a traditional Quebecois Christmas. (*B*)

Day 6: Tuesday, December 22, 2026 Quebec City - Montreal Begin your day with breakfast at a local sugar shack, situated in the heart of the Quebec countryside. Learn about the traditions of maple syrup-making and enjoy samples of delicious traditional foods. Before leaving, try a favorite regional treat – maple taffy on the snow! Next, enjoy a visit to the impressive Montmorency Falls and marvel at this natural wonder plunging 272 feet off the Canadian Shield (approximately 100 feet higher than Niagara Falls). Arrive back in Montreal this afternoon and enjoy some free time, perhaps to visit the holiday markets\* for some more shopping. Tonight, gather to toast to your festive adventure during a farewell dinner. (B, D)

**Day 7: Wednesday, December 23, 2026 Montreal - Tour Ends** Your tour ends today. May your memories be full of cheer! (*B*)







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Per Person

# **Book Now & Save \$150 Per Person:**

Double \$3,749; Single \$4,449; Triple \$3,719 Triple \$3,569

For bookings made after Jun 17, 2026 call for rates.

**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from Minneapolis St Paul Intl, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers **Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$549 per person

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from MSP

**IMPORTANT CONDITIONS**: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received and booking confirmed by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received and booking confirmed, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. (See registration form for consent.)

#### **Important Tour Information:**

Book Now rates valid until Jun 17, 2026, valid on air inclusive packages only.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 1. This means you're a leisurely traveler. You typically take it easy and discover the energy of a new place by people-watching or soaking in the atmosphere at a local café. You can climb at least one flight of stairs, board a coach, and walk unassisted at a relaxed pace for up to 60 minutes without difficulty. You can easily handle altitudes up to 5,000 feet.

#### Travel with an average of 37 people (maximum of 44).

Walking throughout Quebec City and Old Montreal as part of included features, or on your own, will require navigating cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. Walking these streets during the wintertime can add an extra challenge if there is ice or snow. A leisurely walk through the Christmas Markets may last up to 90 minutes with stops.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

\*Christmas markets in both Montreal and Quebec City are open Thursdays-Sundays from late November to late December. If the day of your originally planned visit to one of the Christmas markets is a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, the order of itinerary activities will be shuffled to ensure you get to visit both markets. Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised baggage fees may apply on most trans-border flights. These fees are levied by each specific airline and may be subject to change.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

#### **Travel Requirements:**

#### IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

#### **Experience It! Quebecois Christmas Traditions**

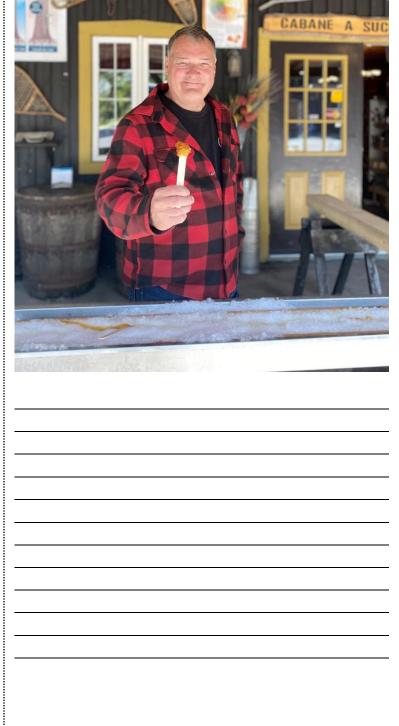
Discover Quebecois holiday traditions, rich with cultural heritage and festive charm, blending French, indigenous, and North American influences. One such tradition is Réveillon, a grand feast held on Christmas Eve. Families gather after midnight mass to enjoy an elaborate meal with dishes like tourtière (spiced meat pie) and rich desserts. Another symbol of tradition is the log-shaped cake known as Bûche de Noël, symbolizing the ancient practice of burning the Yule log – a much tastier tribute! While visiting Quebec in the midst of the holiday season, get ready to encounter the region's unique blend of festive customs and local flavors.

For more information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1344632

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of June 10, 2026 are based upon availability. Final payment due by September 18, 2026. Deposits are refundable up until June 17, 2026.

CST#2006766-20 UBN#601220855 Nevada Sellers of Travel Registration No. 2003-0279 <b>NOTES:</b>







For important reservation information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1344632.
You can also find this information on your tour documents.



TRAVEL DATE: 12/17/2026 TERRITORY: M5 RES#: 1344632

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Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

**IMPORTANT:** In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the <u>legal</u> name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First:	Middle:		Last:		Suffix:
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Address:		City:		State:	Zip Code:
Phone: ( )	Cell: (	)		Email Address:	
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"Federal law forbids carriage of hazardous materials such as aerosols, fireworks, lithium batteries & flammable liquids aboard the aircraft in your checked or carry-on baggage. A violation can result in 5 years' imprisonment and penalties of \$250,000 or more. Details on prohibited items may be found on TSA's "prohibited items" web page: http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/prohibited-items."

TRAVEL PROTECTION: ( ) Yes, I wish to purchase travel protection \$549 ( ) No, I decline

If you choose not to purchase Collette's Waiver Insurance Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations. Travel Protection Payment is due with first deposit. The Waiver Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. The single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. (There is coverage under Part B which includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,500 for certain covered reasons. See Part B for details.)

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Collette



## Special Needs Form

Please complete this form, sign and return it to us within 14 days of receipt.

Email: <u>TravelOperations@collette.com</u>

Fax: 401.727.4745

Mail: Collette: Travel Operations

180 Middle Street Pawtucket, RI 02860

### TRAVELERS NEEDING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

You must report any disability requiring special attention to Collette at the time the reservation is made. \*Collette will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants. Such participants, however, should be aware that the Americans with Disabilities Act is inapplicable outside of the United States and facilities outside the United States for disabled individuals are limited. It is strongly recommended that persons requiring assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the assistance. Neither Collette nor its personnel, nor its suppliers, may physically lift or assist clients into transportation vehicles. If a traveler thinks he or she might need assistance during a trip, he or she should call Collette to determine what assistance might reasonably be given. Collette cannot provide special individual assistance to tour members with special needs for walking, dining, or other routine activities. Internationally, a great deal of walking may be necessary to fully enjoy the destination. Travelers should be in good health and must be able to walk reasonable distances. In some areas, travelers may be required to walk on uneven ground, cobblestone streets or raised thresholds.

\*To request a wheelchair accessible room on a cruise, the traveler or person sharing the room must have a recognized disability that alters a major life function and requires the use of a mobility device and the use of the accessible features provided in the wheelchair accessible stateroom. The cruise company may take appropriate action against someone who has reserved or purchased such a stateroom fraudulently. Action may include but is not limited to removal from the stateroom to a non-accessible accommodation up to denial of boarding.

Reservation #	
Name:	Male or Female (circle one)

## Are you traveling with a wheelchair? Yes No

If you answer "YES"	
<ul> <li>Does your wheelchair of</li> </ul>	collapse? Yes No
<ul> <li>Can you stand and clim</li> </ul>	nb steps to board the coach without it? Yes No
<ul> <li>Are you capable of lifting</li> </ul>	ng your own wheelchair? Yes No
If you are not capable of lifting	gyour own wheelchair who will provide assistance?
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Are you traveling with a	walker? Yes No
If you answer "YES"	
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Tour Managers and drivers do l	not provide assistance lifting, pushing or carrying
<del>-</del>	rized scooters are not permitted on tour.
Are you requesting any h	otel room accommodations? Yes No
If "YES" Please indicate if one	or more of the following is required in the washroom.
<ul> <li>Walk-in shower</li> </ul>	Yes No
<ul> <li>Grab bars</li> </ul>	Yes No
<ul> <li>Raised toilet seat</li> </ul>	Yes No
Please provide any details in re	eference to the nature of your request.

Do you understand and accept? Yes No

Collette cannot guarantee the availability of such rooms as many hotels have a limited number of rooms that are equipped with the above accommodations.

Most hotel rooms that can accommodate the request will be equipped with only 1 bed.

## Are you traveling with an oxygen tank? Yes No

If you answer "YES"

I have read and understand the above:

- You must contact the airline directly to arrange transportation of the oxygen on the plane. Oxygen requests vary by airline and location and can take up to 2 weeks to request.
- You are responsible for supplying your own electrical cords, and converters as needed.

This form must be remitted within 14 days of receipt for any special needs accommodation request.

Collette cannot provide special individual assistance to tour members with special needs for walking, dining, or other routine activities and motorized scooters are not permitted on tour.

The Americans with Disabilities Act only applies in the United States. Many international destinations cannot accommodate passengers' requests. Collette will make all reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants, but we cannot guarantee that all requests will be honored on international destinations. Collette also regrets that it cannot provide individual assistance to a tour member with special needs for walking, dining, or other special personal needs. It is strongly recommended that persons requiring assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable and totally responsible for the assistance.