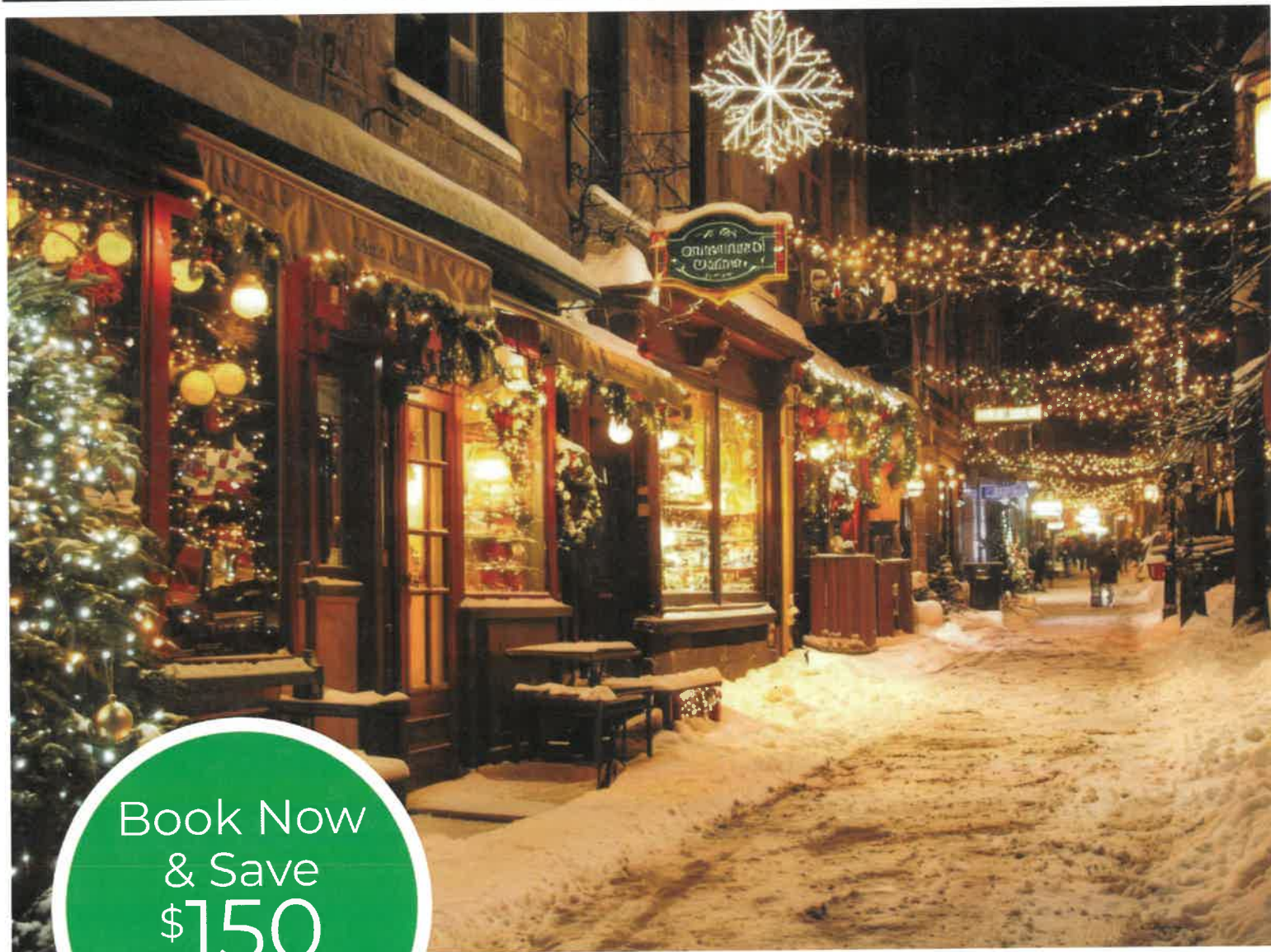


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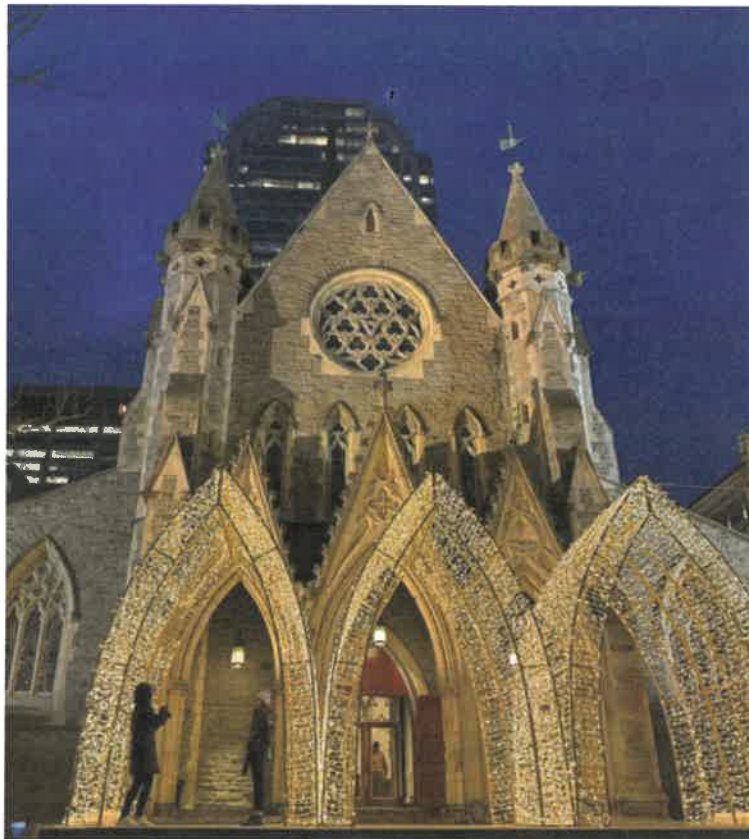
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HIGHLIGHTS... Quebec City's German Christmas Markets, Montreal's Christmas Markets, Montmorency Falls, Maple Sugar Shack, Bûche de Noël Workshop

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Days 1, 2	Le Centre Sheraton Montreal, Montreal, Quebec
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Day 6	Le Centre Sheraton Montreal, Montreal, Quebec

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Wednesday, December 2, 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: Thursday, December 3, 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: Friday, December 4, 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: Saturday, December 5, 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: Sunday, December 6, 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: Monday, December 7, 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: Tuesday, December 8, 2026 Montreal - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. May your memories be full of cheer! (B)



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

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

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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.

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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 May 26, 2026 are based upon availability. Final payment due by September 03, 2026. Deposits are refundable up until June 02, 2026.

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