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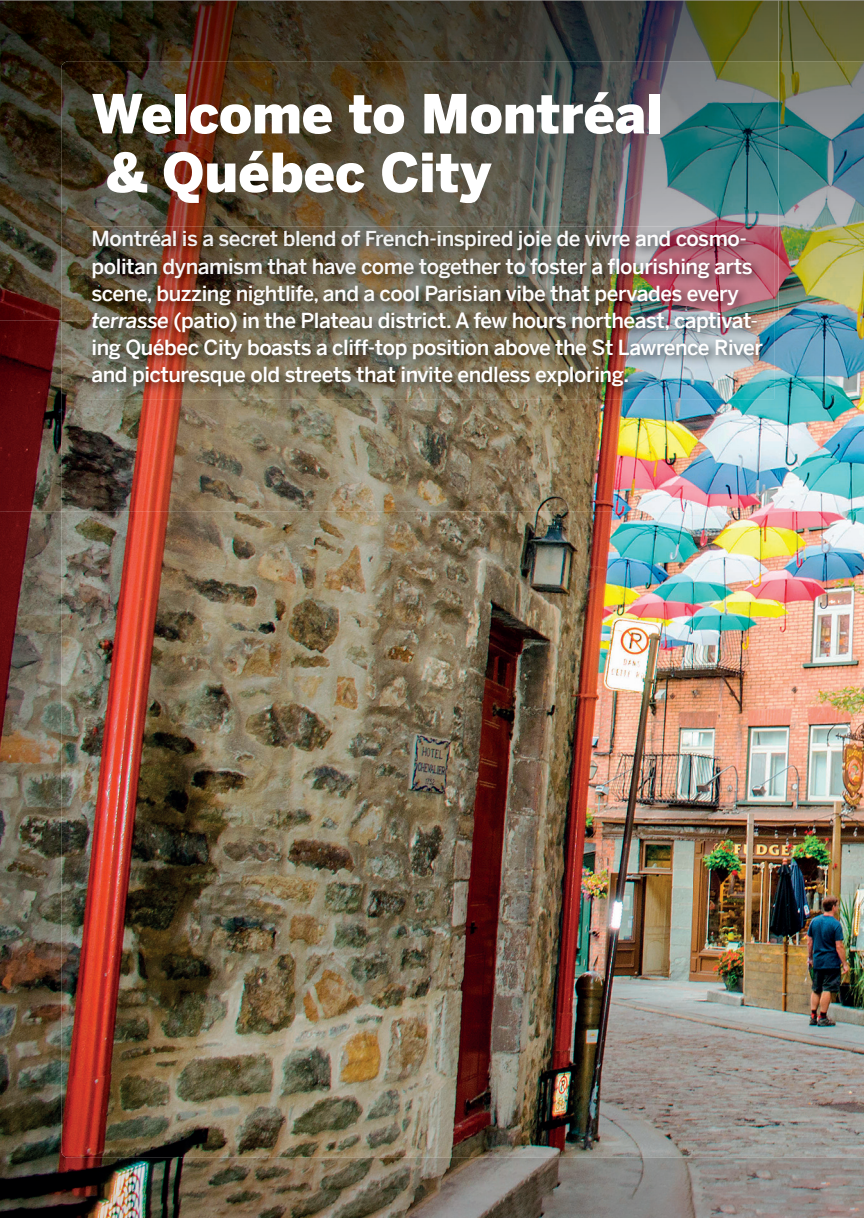
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Welcome to Montréal & Québec City

Montréal is a secret blend of French-inspired joie de vivre and cosmopolitan dynamism that have come together to foster a flourishing arts scene, buzzing nightlife, and a cool Parisian vibe that pervades every terrasse (patio) in the Plateau district. A few hours northeast, captivating Québec City boasts a cliff-top position above the St Lawrence River and picturesque old streets that invite endless exploring.



Top Sights



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Musée des Beaux-Arts de Montréal

Canada's oldest art museum. **p52**

Oratoire St-Joseph, Montréal

Monumental oratory with a view. **p110**



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Basilique Notre-Dame, Montréal

Montréal's intensely ornate iconic church. **p30**

Parc Jean-Drapeau, Montréal

Island park with plentiful amusements. **p46**



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Rue St-Denis, Montréal

Young, grungy arty street. **p68**



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La Citadelle, Québec City

Historic cliff-top fortress. **p116**

Musée de la Civilisation, Québec City

Contemporary issues and culture museum. **p120**



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Soaring icon above the St-Lawrence River. **p118**