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THAT TIME

...LOCAL RESIDENTS TOLD US ABOUT THEIR TOP PICKS

"We're big fans of the **CASINO DU LAC-LEAMY SOUND OF LIGHT**. We love this activity: we take a picnic and make an evening of it with family or friends. It's a great spot to watch the fireworks. It's a really nice family outing."

& Marie-Ève Roy, Gatineau

"A stroll along **PRINCIPALE STREET IN AYLMER**, to the **SYMMES INN** and **DES CÈDRES PARK**, after a good meal in a restaurant."

Maxime Pedneaud-Jobin, Mayor of Gatineau "I like the **CAFÉ AUX 4 JEUDIS** for getting together with friends, the **TROQUET** for its Zen vibe (and free Wi-Fi), and **OU... QUO!!**, where I met my girlfriend. In short, I like **LAVAL STREET** in Old Hull."

Jean-François Chevrier, Radio host and arts reporter, ICI Radio-Canada Ottawa–Gatineau

"I love to bike along the **VOYAGEURS TRAIL** and take gorgeous photos."

Jean Boileau, Communications Director, City of Gatineau

600 km of Urban cycling Pathways

"My son, my boyfriend and I just adore **CAMP FORTUNE** in any season! It's only 15-20 minutes from downtown. In summer, it's the aerial park and in winter, we hit the slopes. We love having an outdoor activity centre so close to home!"

& Karine Routhier, Gatineau

"**MOORE FARM**, a fascinating historic site in the heart of the city. It's a beautiful spot. You can take a break on the patio of the café-bistro, and buy fresh farm products. Last summer, my kids were very proud to harvest their first tomatoes from the community garden!"

L Virginie Côté, Gatineau

"The kids really enjoy the treetop challenges at **ARBRASKA LAFLÈCHE**!"

Annie Desrosiers, Gatineau

"ÉCO-ODYSSÉE. It's a

brilliant concept. The pedal boats are fun, and the treasure hunt takes you right back to childhood. The kids loved it, and we laughed a lot, because it's not that easy to operate a pedal boat! And for people like me who live in the city and don't own a trailer or a cottage, Éco-Odyssée is a great way to get back to nature for a bit."



"The beach on the **OTTAWA RIVER** near Fort William, in the municipality of Sheenboro. It's just 90 minutes from Gatineau along Route 148. When you get there, enjoy a refreshing ice cream or a cold beer at the Pontiac Hotel. A real gem!"

William Amos, Member of Parliament for Pontiac "ALTITUDE GYM is the best! The kids love monkeying around and watching Dad make a fool of himself on the climbing wall."

👤 Myriam Abraham, Gatineau

"The **CHILDREN'S MUSEUM** and its little theatre, where I witnessed my daughter's acting talent for the first time! My personal favourite is the **MUSEUM OF NATURE**."

👤 Gerardo Familiar, Gatineau

- "There's nothing like enjoying the open spaces and lakes of the Vallée-de-la-Gatineau. There's a special place in my heart for **THIRTY-ONE-MILE LAKE**, a real gem to be discovered by kayak, canoe, and boat from the public accesses in the towns of Bouchette, Ste-Thérèsede-la-Gatineau and Déléage."
- Stéphanie Vallée, MNA for Gatineau, Minister of Justice, Minister responsible for the Outaouais region

"My adopted region is full of beautiful places, but I was looking for that special place that really spoke to me. And I found it at **BISCOTTI** & CIE in Chelsea. Whenever I set foot in that friendly space, I instantly switch to 'relaxed' mode. I feel right at home ... as if I were expected, as if this place were made just for me. It's a love affair that has lasted for years, and one that I'm happy to share with people who are discovering my region."

Jhade Montpetit, Radio host, ICI <u>Radio-Canada</u> Ottawa–Gatineau "When I realized there was a park in the heart of the city, I knew right away it was going to become my family's playground. We're there nearly every day, running, splashing around in the little streams, hiking, going on adventures, skiing, snowshoeing ... In other words, we're in love with **GATINEAU PARK**!"

Marie-Claude Morin, Radio host, Rouge FM

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"The kids are always up for a visit to **PARC OMÉGA**; as for Mom, she loves the fabulous **NORDIK SPA-NATURE** for a relaxing girls' getaway."

💄 Nathalie Renaud, Gatineau

....WE WERE PROUD OF OUR REGION

You can stroll along 2,800 KM OF SANDY BEACHES that's more than half the length of Canada!

You can explore **THE LARGEST VISITED NATURAL CAVE** in the Canadian Shield.

You can savour a glass of wine in the company of the **WORLD'S BEST SOMMELIÈRE**.

💭 Soif | Bar à vin, Gatineau

You can walk around ONE OF THE FEW MEROMICTIC LAKES on the planet.

💭 Pink Lake, Gatineau Park

You can experience North America's highest **BUNGEE JUMP**.

💭 Great Canadian Bungee, Chelsea

We have the world's largest and finest INDOOR COLLECTION OF TOTEM POLES.

💭 Canadian Museum of History, Gatineau

We have the longest **COVERED BRIDGE** suited for vehicles in Québec.

Félix-Gabriel-Marchand Bridge, Mansfield-et-Pontefract

You can relax at North America's largest SCANDINAVIAN SPA.

The CULTURE TRAIL

is THE way to discover downtown Gatineau! Its 3 km will show you our public art, our heritage, our best eateries and patios ... just follow the red line!

Centre-ville de Gatineau

You can enjoy a rural getaway in **AN OLD MILL** in the middle of the forest.

Wakefield Mill Hotel and Spa, Wakefield

You can rock out at Canada's largest **ROCK FESTIVAL**.

You can sample chocolate at Quebec's only CHOCOLATE ECONOMUSEUM.

ChocoMotive, Montebello

20,000 LAKES AND EVEN MORE FISH



America's **OLDEST PRIVATE RESERVES**.

Kenauk Nature, Montebello

You can sleep in the world's largest **LOG BUILDING**.

Fairmont Le Château Montebello, Montebello You can enjoy a succulent feast at one of Quebec's two **FIVE DIAMOND** restaurants.

Le Baccara, Gatineau

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...I DIDN'T MISS OUT ON SUMMER EVENTS



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