EASTERN TOWNSHIPS ★

The Eastern Townships region is known for its country pleasures, its picturesque villages with their theatres, art galleries, antique shops and cafes, its fine dining and its Route des Vins (wine tour). The undulating hills and colourful landscapes of the Eastern Townships make this a unique destination and one of the most beautiful regions in Quebec in the fall.

WHAT TO DO

MONT-ORFORD NATIONAL PARK ★
Season: May to mid-November for hiking.
Come enjoy the mountains, lakes and mature sugar maple forests of Mont-Orford National Park.

HIKE UP MOUNT ORFORD ★
One of the best ways to discover the park is to explore its many hiking trails or take the ski lift up to the summit of Mount Orford, where you will enjoy many spectacular views of the region (available only during the “Flambée des couleurs” from mid-September to mid-October). You can also climb up to the television tower, which is not part of the national park, for a panoramic view★★★★.

LAC STUKELY BEACH ★
Season: early July to early September.
Stukely Lake is located within Mont-Orford National Park. Its beach is supervised and offers a playground for children.

WINE ROUTE ★
The renowned Wine Route winds its way along scenic country roads and through 9 of Quebec’s most charming villages along a 140 km signposted route, offering visitors and wine-lovers the chance to visit 22 wineries and their many products. Plan to visit no more than 3 to 4 wineries in one day (a visit can last 30 to 45 minutes and guided tours take about 1 hr.). Most wineries offer wine tasting, a boutique and picnic facilities.

YOU WON’T WANT TO MISS:
• Le Domaine Les Brome (Léon Courville wine-grower)
• L’Orpailleur
• Domaine des Côtes d’Ardoise
• Le Vignoble du Ruisseau
• Le Domaine Pinnacle (apple cider).
www.laroutedesvins.ca

★ Noteworthy ★★ Worth the detour ★★★ Must see
WHERE TO EAT

1. BISTRO 4 SAISONS ($$- $$$)
The restaurant at Auberge Espace 4 Saisons offers an enjoyable dining experience that will not disappoint. The menu features simple yet refined French cuisine with a distinctively Quebecois flavour. Open for lunch and dinner, Tuesday-Sunday.
4940 CHEMIN DU PARC, ORFORD
819-868-1110
WWW.ESPACE4SAISONS.COM

2. MICROBRASSERIE MEMPHRÉ ($$-$$$)
If you are in the mood for a good artisanal beer, this is the place for you! Sample the dozen beers brewed on-site, accompanied by pub-style food such as grilled meats, burgers, cheese fondue, poutine, salads, shared dishes, and much more. Don’t expect fine cuisine: the star attraction is the beer. Open daily from 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.
12 RUE MERRY SUD, MAGOG
819-843-3405
MICROBRASSERIELAMEMPHRE.COM

3. PINOCCHIO ($$$)
You won’t want to miss their salmon tartare, handcrafted charcuteries, beef tartare, blood pudding or the magret of duck. Chic but warm and inviting atmosphere and a beautiful terrace when the weather is good. Open Monday-Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday-Friday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.
469 RUE PRINCIPALE OUEST, MAGOG
819-868-8808
RESTAURANTPINOCCHIO.COM

4. LE HATLEY - MANOIR HOVEY ($$$$
Le Hatley Restaurant at Manoir Hovey, with its panoramic view of Lake Massawippi, is renowned for its friendly, personalized service and for its innovative terroir-driven Quebec cuisine, which uses the finest local and regional products. Manoir Hovey is a proud member of the prestigious French hotel association, Relais & Châteaux. Open daily from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sundays) and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
575 RUE HOVEY, NORTH HATLEY
819-842-2421
WWW.MANOIRHOVEY.COM

5. LE FUMOIR SMOKEHOUSE URBAIN ($-$ $)
This new addition to the North Hatley eating scene specializes in smoked meat. Its short “food truck”-style menu offers such staples as ribs, beef brisket, pulled pork and chicken tacos, and Mac n' Cheese. Open Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fridays from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
70 RUE MAIN, NORTH HATLEY
819-345-7908
WWW.LEFUMOIR.CA

FESTIVAL

Festival des traditions du monde
Dates: August 14 to 18, 2019
Through the interpretation of professional and amateur performances, culinary offerings, artistic creations and sports competitions, the region’s various cultural communities work together to present and showcase, during the five days of the event, the beauty of their heritage and traditional values.
www.ftms.ca