

# Time Out

## NEW YORK

# SPRING FORWARD

Get a jump on warm-weather wonders with our preview of the season's best (including that Bowie blowout in Brooklyn).

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# Escape from New York

Because even the most loyal New Yorker needs to flee the greatest city on earth sometimes.

## Quebec City

### Travel through time

A scenic cable railway that has run through the heart of Quebec City for more than a century, the **Old Quebec Funicular** (\$2.40) offers the quickest (and most gorgeous) route between historic neighborhoods. Experience Dufferin Terrace, Quartier Petit Champlain and the Old Port with just a hint of Wes Anderson-esque whimsy.

→ 16 Rue du Petit Champlain QC G1K 4H4  
(funiculaire-quebec.com)

### Shop till you drop

Duck into the artisan shops and Parisian-style cafes of Rue du Petit Champlain, one of the oldest commercial streets in North America. Trek the cobblestone roads to spend some time at **Place Royale**, a town square that's home to the epic Fresque des Québécois mural, which tells the history of the city and its influential figures.

→ 2-4 Rue des Pains Bénédicts, QC G1K

### Try a blasphemous brew

This majority-Catholic city weaves religion into nightlife at local favorite **Bar Le Sacrilège**. The watering hole is outfitted with church pews and mosaic tables, and serves regional microbrews in a bohemian atmosphere. It's widely considered to have "the best terrace in town."

→ 447 Rue Saint-Jean QC G1R 1P5 (lesacrilège.com)

### Climb new heights

**Montmorency Falls** in Parc de la Chute-Montmorency offers visitors gondola

### INSIDER SECRETS

Locals give it to you straight.



"You can't visit Canada without stopping at a Tim Hortons."—Chris

"Order Caribou: It's a mixture of red wine, hard liquor and maple syrup."—Catherine

"Le Projet at Rue St. Jean has a ton of Quebec beer."—Patrick

"Catch a Celine Dion impersonator at Le Capitole."—Brad



The Hôtel de Glace

rides, a scenic stairway overlooking the water, a suspension bridge, hiking trails, three *via ferrate* (assisted climbing) routes (\$27–\$38), a 300-meter zip line (\$15–\$20), and an aerial tram (Funitel) that whisks passengers between base camp and the top of the falls.

→ 5300 Boulevard Sainte-Anne QC G1C 1S1 (sepaq.com)

### Chill out

**The Hôtel de Glace**, an all-ice abode open from January through March, requires 30,000 tons of snow and 500 tons of ice to shape. It features a chilly chapel, an ice slide, an exhibition hall and an "ice bar," and some rooms even have a personal fireplace if you want to snuggle.

→ 1860 Valcartier Blvd, Saint-Gabriel-de-Valcartier, G0A 4S0  
(888-384-5524, hoteldeglace-canada.com)

■ Laura Feinstein

### FUN FACT

More than 95 percent of the people here speak French—but more than a third are bilingual.

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