



OUR 125TH ANNIVERSARY

Fairmont Le Château Frontenac celebrates its 125th anniversary in 2018!

From 1893 until today, the Château Frontenac has seen many big events and many great leaders and celebrities of the world, from Charlie Chaplin to Franklin D. Roosevelt, and from Winston

Churchill to Céline Dion.

Laval University, the OSQ, the Winter Carnival, the Nordik Village, the Village Vacances Valcartier, Quebec City and many others prepare, with the Château, brand new activities, exhibitions showcasing local artists from all ages, the Quebec Conferences, and treasures found during the construction. All year long, we will celebrate a rich and unique history, through exhibitions, festivals, shows and activities that show what it really means to live the Château life...for 125 years now!

Follow the celebrations at www.chateaufrontenac125.com!

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OVER A 100 YEARS OF HISTORY

For more than a century, Québec City's Fairmont Le Château Frontenac has been the true-life castle of many people's dreams... Everyone - young and old, music and film stars, sports personalities and political figures - enjoys discovering Fairmont Le Château Frontenac and delights in returning again and again. Such is the great history of more than one hundred years of gracious living in Le Château.

After Les Châteaux Saint Louis and Haldimand, residences of the French and English governors for over two centuries, Cape Diamond had lost its prestige and successive plans for a grand hotel in Québec City never materialized.

By the late 19th century, William Van Horne, President of Canadian Pacific Railways (C.P.R.), had raised enough funds to build the ideal stopover for C.P.R. travellers, Le Château Frontenac. Van Horne retained the services of the New York architect Bruce Price, who had already designed Montréal's Windsor Station and who, incidentally, was the father of the American writer Emily Post. Drawing on the architectural styles of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, Price immortalized the history of the two great powers that had occupied Québec City's highest promontory.



On December 18, 1893 the first wing of Fairmont Le Château Frontenac was inaugurated. Christened the Riverview Wing, it had 170 rooms, 93 of which had bathrooms and fireplaces, remarkable luxuries at the time. The Hotel also included three magnificent suites—the Habitant, the Chinoise and the Hollandaise. Over the years, there were many expansion projects to fashion the hotel as it looks today with its 611 rooms, and central tower which reaches to the 18th floor. The Citadelle wing was constructed in 1899, followed by the Mont-Carmel wing in 1908, and the Saint-Louis wing and the Tour Centrale in 1920 and 1924 respectively.



A new expansion phase was completed in June 1993 with the inauguration of the Claude-Pratte Wing, which offers guests of Fairmont Le Château Frontenac a superb indoor pool, a physical fitness center and a magnificent outdoor terrace.

Fairmont Le Château Frontenac owes its name to a flamboyant French governor called Louis de Buade, Count of Frontenac who guided the destiny of New France from 1672 to 1698. Indeed, his coat-of-arms can be seen on the outside wall of Le Château's entry arch and in many other areas within the hotel. History casts a long architectural shadow over Fairmont Le Château Frontenac. Indeed, a 300-year old stone bearing the Cross of Malta emblem is among the interior stones of the hotel's vaulted lobby.

HOLLYWOOD ON CAP DIAMANT!

In 1952, the Château Frontenac was transformed into a movie set for the Alfred Hitchcock's movie, called *I Confess*. Montgomery Clift and Anne Baxter were part of the prestigious casting of the movie. The event has been a real journey for the hotel. Many other movie stars chose the château as their hotel destination. Amongst those famous guests were Charlie Chaplin, Jane Seymour, Anthony Quinn, James Cagney and Barbara Stanwyck.

THE CHÂTEAU FRONTENAC CHARMS CELEBRITIES...STILL TODAY!

Still today, Fairmont Le Château Frontenac charms the most famous movie and music celebrities. Amongst the prestigious guests list of the Château, Céline Dion, Paul McCartney, Sting, Steven Spielberg, Leonardo DiCaprio and Angelina Jolie. The presence of many world famous stars certainly adds to the prestige and history of Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac.













WHY QUEBEC CITY?

- o City with top most iconic hotel in the world, Fairmont The Chateau Frontenac!
- UNESCO World Heritage City & over 400 years of history, the oldest city in North America!
- One of top 10 most walkable cities, safe, clean & friendly!
- o Among top 20 world's best food cities! (Condé Nast), over 2,000 restaurants!
- Within 30 min from "The Great Outdoors"!
- o The charm of Europe mixed with unique Quebec's history

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

- USA Today 10 BEST Readers' Choice 2016
 Québec City was voted North America's Best Winter Wonderland among 20 destinations.
- Leading Culture Destinations Awards Traveller's Awards 2016
 Québec City receives the Culture City of the Year Award which recognizes the
 most stimulating and imaginative cities for the cultural nomad to visit. The
 other nominees were Lyon (France) and Los Angeles (USA)
- Travel + Leisure World's Best Awards 2016
 Québec City is the best city in Canada
- TripAdvisor Travelers' Choice Awards 2016
 Québec City ranks 2nd in the top 10 best destinations in Canada.
- Condé Nast Traveler (USA) The World's Best Food Cities
 Condé Nast Traveler readers have rated Québec City as one of the 20 world's best cities for food in 2015.

