Ottawa, Canada's Capital





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Ottawa is often overshadowed by its larger neighbors, but the country's capital has much for visitors to enjoy and warrants more than a fleeting glance. Explore the origins of the city, the superlative museums commemorating Canada's past, and enjoy a riverside skyline so utterly photogenic you'll need a spare memory card to do it justice. Never far away is the iconic Peace Tower, part of the parliament buildings that serve as Ottawa's enchanting centerpiece. No need for five-hour strolls or subway rides; compact Ottawa is perfect for a walking tour and boasts all the excitement and sparkle of city life!

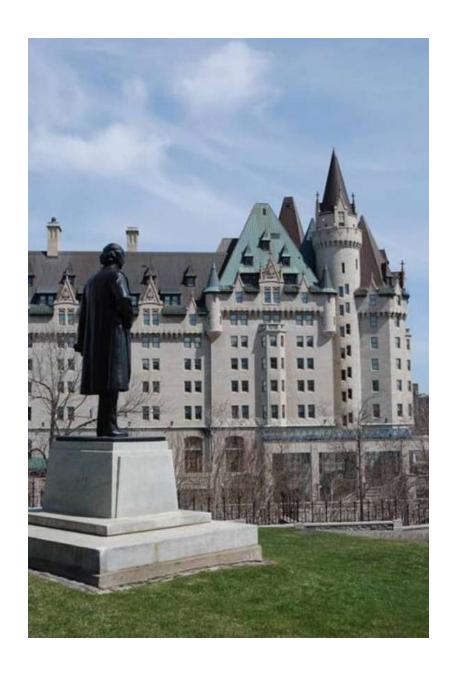
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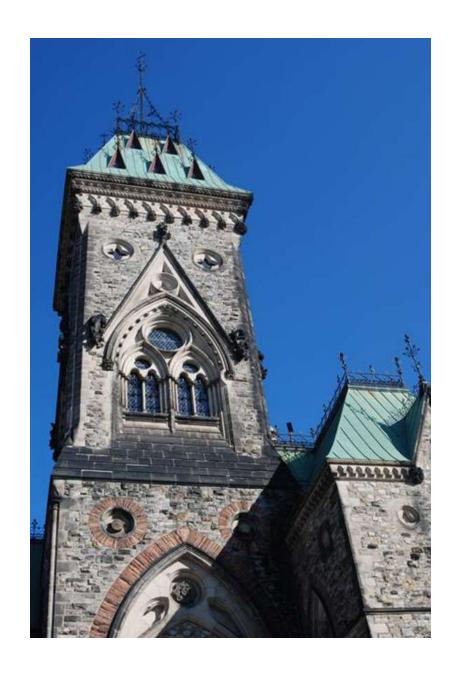
Ottawa is one of Canada's unsung heroes.



Everyone knows it's the capital, but few seem to know much more than that.



Some people imagine Ottawa to be a dull place full of staid politicians, functional buildings, and lacking in character. But in fact Canada's capital is a beautiful city.



Bursting with gloriously pristine architecture and stunning views at every turn, wandering through Ottawa is like roaming an open-air art gallery.



The highlight is undoubtedly Parliament Hill, with its striking architecture and extensive grounds that are open for all to explore.



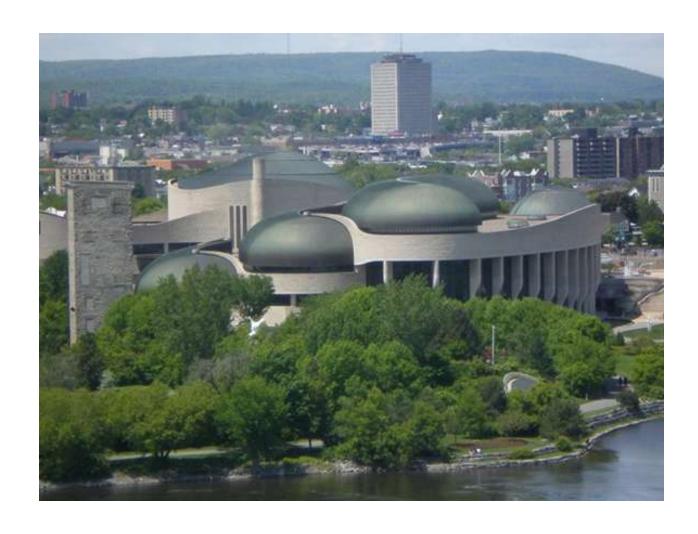
From here it's an easy walk to the pretty Rideau Canal and the superb National Gallery.



And it takes just 20 minutes to get across the Ottawa River into the province of Quebec.



Once you're on the opposite riverbank you'll get the best views of Ottawa's delightful skyline.



Here you can also visit the Museum of Civilisation, a walk through the country's history and one of Canada's finest museums.



Further east, Sussex Drive offers wonderful strolling possibilities, culminating in a walk around the governor general's grand residence, Rideau Hall.



At the end of a hard day's sightseeing you can retire to the Byward Market for a pint of locally brewed beer, a gourmet dinner, or just a sweet snack on the run.



Join us for a guided tour of Ottawa!

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