### Ottawa

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#### Ottawa, Canada's Capital

Ottawa is the capital of Canada. The city is situated along the Ontario side of the Ottawa River, opposite Gatineau, Quebec.



The metropolitan population of Ottawa is 1.1 million and is currently the fourth largest city in Canada, and the second largest in Ontario after Toronto.

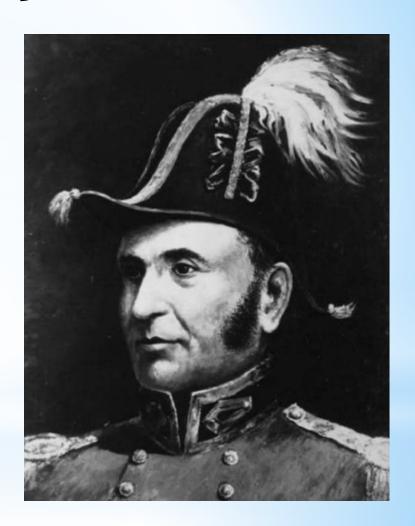


Unique as a North American capital, the city is bilingual. English is the first language of a majority of the population, but French is the first language of a significant number.



## History

Ottawa started as a humble lumber town, then called Bytown, named after Colonel John By.



Colonel By oversaw the construction of the Rideau Canal, now a UNESCO World Heritage site, much of which was done by hand, between 1826 and 1832.



In 1857, Queen Victoria chose Ottawa as the capital of Canada.

Every year on the Monday preceding may 25 (the monarch's name Day) Canada celebrates Queen Victoria Day.





Ottawa is a pleasant town that is known for its festivals (particularly its Tulip Festival), Winterlude (billed as "America's greatest winter festival"), numerous museums and overall pleasantness.

# Showplaces and entertainment



Winterlude is Ottawa's unique winter festival that takes place every year in the month of February. People from all over the world come to Ottawa to take part in this amazing event. Here are some of the activities that have taken place in previous years: Skating on the Rideau Canal Annual Bed Race Public Ice-Carving Challenge Capital Loggers, displays and special activities Snowflake Kingdom and so much more!



# Gatineau National Park



Gatineau National Park, just across the river in Quebec Province, is a delightful place to visit any time of the year, but in autumn the changing colors of its forests makes it one of the most beautiful places in the world.

### Parliament Hill

Its Gothic revival suite of buildings serves as the home of the Parliament of Canada and contains a number of architectural elements of national symbolic importance. Parliament Hill attracts approximately 3 million visitors each year.



#### "Why I choose Ottawa"

- 1) It is a beautiful place for life.
- 2)Ottawa is safe.
- 3)People are friendly to newcomers
- 4) There are plenty of recreational options to enjoy all year long
- 5) The city is very clean and developing really fast
- 6)Has a lot of potential for personal and professional growth: reputable employers and educational institutions