

# M<sup>3</sup>AAWG Meeting – Montreal Canada October 14-17, 2019

# **GENERAL HOTEL INFORMATION:**

Fairmont The Queen Elizabeth 900 Ren Levesque Blvd West

Montreal, Quebec H3B 4A5 Phone: 514.954.2240

# Room Rates:

Standard Room: \$275.00 CAD Single / Double Rate \$315.00 CAD Triple Rate \$355.00 CAD Quad Rate

Deluxe Room: \$325.00 CAD Single / Double Rate

Club Room: \$395.00 CAD Single / Double Rate



1-Bedroom Suite: \$455.00 CAD Single / Double Rate

\*Rate does not include 18.475% tax

# **Reservations:**

The M<sup>3</sup>AAWG group room rates will be offered (3) DAYS before and after the meeting based on availability. The M<sup>3</sup>AAWG negotiated room rates are guaranteed until midday on **Saturday**, **September 21, 2019** local time. After **September 21st**, please contact the Hotel directly to determine availability.

The individuals can make reservations directly with the hotel via the dedicated reservations link: Phone: 514.861.3511 Toll Free Calling: 800.441.1414 Online: https://book.passkey.com/event/49864672/owner/17625/home

Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card at time of booking. The accommodation, including all additional extra fees, will be paid upon departure.

Check In Time: 16:00 Check Out Time: 12:00

# **Cancellation Policy:**

Reservations can be cancelled free of charge, if cancelled **24 hours** prior to arrival. Any reservations cancelled **after the given deadline** or no-shows will forfeit one night's room and tax revenue.

Wellness Center: Complimentary for all rooms booked in M3AAWG group block. Location: Level S1 Hours: Open 24 hours Pool: 6:00am-10:00pm



**High Speed Internet Access in Sleeping Rooms**: Complimentary if booked in the M<sup>3</sup>AAWG group room block.

# TRAVEL INFORMATION:

# Montreal-Pierre-Elliott-Trudeau International Airport (YUL)

Distance from hotel: 14 mi / 22 km Drive time: 25 minutes Driving Directions to Hotel can be found <u>HERE</u>

#### Airline Offers:

Below please find optional M3AAWG discount codes for United and Delta Airlines.

#### **United Airlines:**

- You may book online at <u>www.united.com</u> and enter the code **ZGSG880055** in the Offer Code box.
- Call: United Reservations Meeting Desk at 1-800-426-1122 OR if booking through a travel professional. Reference Z Code: **ZGSG** and Agreement Code: **880055** *Please note there is a \$25.00 per ticket service fee collected when tickets are issued through the United Meetings Reservations Desk.*

# **Delta Airlines:**

- You may book online at <u>www.skyteam.com</u>, event code is NMT74
- Call: Delta Meeting Network Reservations: 1-800-328-1111. Reference Delta
  Code: NMT74

Please note that a Direct Ticketing Charge will apply for booking by phone.

#### Limousine

From Montreal's Pierre-Elliott-Trudeau International Airport to hotel: from \$145 one way including meet & greet service.

Transfer to Montreal's Pierre-Elliott-Trudeau International Airport: from \$85 one way.

#### Taxi

There is a flat rate of \$40 CAD to downtown hotels.

#### Subway

The hotel has direct access to the Bonaventure Metro Station. There is a hotel entrance from the metro station. Follow signage.

#### Train

The hotel is located directly above Central Station which is the stop for <u>VIA Rail</u>, <u>Amtrak</u> and several <u>local</u> trains. There is a hotel entrance from Central Station. Follow signage.

#### 747 Express Bus

Featuring nine stops in each direction, the 747 service operated by the city of Montréal is provided 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and offers transportation between downtown Montréal and Montréal-Pierre-Elliott-Trudeau International Airport.

Tickets are purchased at the cost of \$10 inside the terminal before boarding. When returning a \$10 bus fare is paid aboard the bus (coins only, bills are not accepted). Tickets provide travellers with a transit pass valid on the STM bus and metro network for 24 hours. For more information, visit the STM website.



# Parking:

Self-Parking (Daily & Overnight): Valet (Daily & Overnight): \$37.00 CAD Daily \$37.00 CAD Daily

All parking prices include in/out privileges.

# Visas

The following countries do not nee a Visa to visit Canada: Citizens of Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Barbados, Belgium, Botswana, Brunei, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Israel (National Passport holders only), Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Papua New Guinea, Portugal, Republic of Korea, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, San Marino, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden, Slovenia, Switzerland, United States, and Western Samoa; See <a href="http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp">http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp</a> for more information.

For more information, please visit the U.S. Department of State: <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Canada.html</u>

# **DESTINATION INFORMATION:**

# Montreal, Canada:

Montreal is a city in the Canadian province of Quebec. It is the largest city in the province, the second largest in the country (after Toronto) and the fifteenth largest in North America. Originally called *Ville-Marie*, or "City of Mary" it is named after Mount Royal, the triple-peaked hill located in the heart of the city. The city is located on the Island of Montreal, which took its name from the same source as the city, and a few much smaller peripheral islands, the largest of which is Île Bizard.

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Currency:	\$ CAD	
Voltage:	110-120 V	
Language:	French	



**Tipping:** 15% in restaurants, 10% for taxis

**Weather Conditions:** Average weather temperatures for Montreal in October range with highs around 72°F/22°C and lows around 47°F/8°C.

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#### Dining:

Montréal's restaurant scene is one of Canada's most cosmopolitan, with trendy eateries popping up regularly, their menus heavily influenced by flavors from around the globe, often with an added touch of French flair.

The thing to know is that many can be found in the most unlikely locations. Toqué!, for example, long touted as one of the city's best, is on the ground floor of an office tower in the financial district. Still, there are those certain areas—such as rue St-Denis and boulevard St-Laurent between rues



Sherbrooke and Mont-Royal—that have long been the city's hottest dining strips, with everything from sandwich shops to high-price gourmet shrines. The bring-your-own-wine craze started on rue Prince-Arthur and avenue Duluth, two lively pedestrian streets in the Plateau that still specialize in good, relatively low-cost meals. Most downtown restaurants are clustered between rues Guy and Peel on the side streets that run between boulevard René-Lévesque and rue Sherbrooke. Some interesting little cafés and restaurants have begun to spring up in the heart of the antiques district along rue Notre-Dame Ouest near avenue Atwater. Old Montréal, too, has a sizable collection of well-regarded restaurants, most of them clustered on rue St-Paul and place Jacques-Cartier.

You can usually order à la carte, but make sure to look for the table d'hôte, a two- to four-course package deal. It's often more economical, offers interesting specials, and may also take less time to prepare. For a splurge, consider a *menu dégustation,* a five- to seven-course tasting menu executed by the chef. It generally includes soup, salad, fish, sherbet (to cleanse the palate), a meat dish, dessert, and coffee or tea. At the city's finest restaurants, such a meal for two, along with a good bottle of wine, can cost more than C\$200 and last four hours.

Menus in many restaurants are bilingual, but some are only in French. If you don't understand what a dish is, don't be shy about asking; a good server will be happy to explain. If you feel brave enough to order in French, remember that in French an*entrée* is an appetizer, and what Americans call an entrée is a*plat principal*, or main dish.

Dinner reservations are highly recommended for weekend dining.

# **Local Attractions:**

- Basilique Notre-Dame-de-Montreal (Our Lady of Montreal Basilica)
- Jardin Botanique (Botanical Garden)
- Musee d'Archeologie et d'Histoire Pointe-a-Calliere (Pointe-a-Calliere Archaeology and History Museum)
- Musee des Beaux-Arts de Montreal (Montreal Museum of Fine Arts)
- Oratoire St-Joseph (St. Joseph's Oratory)
- Parc Jean-Drapeau

#### Old Montreal (Vieux-Montréal)

At the southern end of St-Laurent Boulevard, past, lies the historic district of Old Montreal (Vieux-Montréal), a major tourist attraction with its cobblestone streets, horse-drawn calèche rides and Old Port (Vieux-Port) activities. This is where, in 1642, the city's first European settlers staked their claim to a land they thought was theirs by divine right. You can still see the remnants of their original fortifications, and you can check out artifacts from the period at the Montreal History Centre (Centre d'histoire de Montréal) as well as the Pointe-à-Callière Museum of archaeology and history. Also found here are the oldest buildings in Montreal, with some, such as the Sainte-Sulpice Seminary (Vieux Séminaire Saint-Sulpice), dating back to the late 17th Century.

#### **Montreal Islands**

Across the St-Lawrence River, the Expo 67 islands of Ste-Hélène and Notre-Dame still glitter from when Montreal hosted the World's Fair in 1967. Today the site is home to La Ronde amusement park, the Gilles Villeneuve Racetrack (Circuit Gilles Villeneuve) and Montreal's world-class Casino.

#### Plateau Mont-Royal

On the other end of The Main is the Plateau Mont-Royal neighborhood, unusual in that it encompasses both ethnic shops and restaurants on Parc Avenue as well as the hip

Francophone crowd along St-Denis Street. This is Canada's most densely populated area, and its smaller streets, with their winding staircases and small BYOW (bring your own wine) restaurants, remain a picture of true Montreal life.

#### Little Italy (Petite Italie)

Just a little further north and you will hear Italian spoken on Montreal's streets over in the city's own Little Italy, the original home of the first Italian immigrants and now one of the liveliest areas in



the city with its espresso bars, boutiques and authentic Italian cuisine.

### **Underground City (RÉSO)**

No visit to Montreal is complete without a visit to the Underground City - Montreal-above-ground has been described as the tip of the urban iceberg. Beneath it lies the world's most extensive system of interconnected pedestrian andMetro (subway) networks, linking buildings, boutiques, restaurants and even residential apartments. You could spend an entire winter in this subterranean city without ever once having to face the cold or snow.