



# Ottawa Attraction Guide For R&R 2020

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# Art

## National Arts Centre

**Website:** [nac-cna.ca/en/](http://nac-cna.ca/en/)

**Where:** 1 Elgin Street, Ottawa, ON K1P 5W1  
(7 minute walk/6 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)  
**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About the National Art Centre:** The National Arts Centre collaborates with artists and arts organizations across Canada to help create a national stage for the performing arts, and acts as a catalyst for performance, creation and learning across the country. A home for Canada's most creative artists, the NAC strives to be artistically adventurous in each of its programming streams – the NAC Orchestra, English Theatre, French Theatre and Dance, as well as the Scene festivals and NAC Presents, which showcase established and emerging Canadian artists. The NAC is the only bilingual, multidisciplinary performing arts centre in Canada, and one of the largest in the world.



**Admission:** Tel: (613) -947-7000 ext. 620 / Online: [nac-cna.ca/en/tickets](http://nac-cna.ca/en/tickets)

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## National Gallery of Canada

**Website:** [www.gallery.ca/](http://www.gallery.ca/)

**Where:** 380 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, ON K1N 9N4  
(12 minute walk/3 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)  
**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About the National Gallery of Canada:** See Canada's visual arts treasures within the lively Ottawa ByWard Market. In our completely reinvented Canadian and Indigenous Galleries, you will discover the remarkable stories that have shaped this country. Love photography? You won't want to miss the Gallery's new Canadian Photography Institute. If the great masters are more your style, the Gallery is your destination for the country's finest collection of European art. In addition to our exquisite national collection, during any visit you can take in world-class special exhibitions and engaging activities for all ages. Our building, an award-winning architectural gem, is in itself worth a visit. Come celebrate creativity at one of Canada's most impressive landmarks.



**Admission:** Tel: (613) -990-1985 / Online: [www.gallery.ca/](http://www.gallery.ca/)

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## Gatineau Park

**Website:** [ncc-ccn.gc.ca/places/gatineau-park](http://ncc-ccn.gc.ca/places/gatineau-park)

**Where:** Visitor Centre – 33 Scott Road, Chelsea, QC J9B 1R5

(16 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About Gatineau Park:** Immerse yourself in nature in Gatineau Park, the Capital's conservation and outdoor recreation park, just 15 minutes from downtown Ottawa–Gatineau. Year-round, enjoy a range of activities — swimming, hiking, biking, camping, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing — as well as heritage sites and nature interpretation. One of the few places in Quebec with such rich biodiversity, the Park is a sanctuary for more than 100 species of plants and animals at risk. Gatineau Park is managed by the National Capital Commission.

**Trails:** Interactive Map - [ncc-ccn.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapTour/](http://ncc-ccn.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapTour/)

**Admission:** Free admission in all Gatineau Parks, paid public parking available.



## **History & Museums**

### **Bank of Canada Museum**

**Website:** [bankofcanadamuseum.ca/](http://bankofcanadamuseum.ca/)

**Where:** 30 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON K1A 0G9

(13 minute walk/5 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About the Bank of Canada Museum:** Enter the heart of the economic system and explore fun, hands-on, interactive exhibits that cover everything from how people's expectations affect the health of an economy to how inflation targeting works (hint: you get to fly a rocket ship!). The Museum also features artifacts from the National Currency Collection -- the most complete collection of Canadian coins, notes and tokens in the world

**Admission:** Tel: (613) -782-8884 / Online: free admission

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### **Canada Aviation and Space Museum**

**Website:** [ingeniumcanada.org/casm/](http://ingeniumcanada.org/casm/)

**Where:** 11 Aviation Parkway, Ottawa, ON K1K 2X5

(13 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About the Canada Aviation and Space Museum:**

Located on a former military air base just 5 kilometres from the Prime Minister's residence in Ottawa, the Museum focuses on aviation in Canada within an international context, from its beginnings in 1909 to the present day. As Canada's contribution to aviation expanded to include aerospace technology, the Museum's collection and mandate grew to include space flight. The Collection itself consists of more than 130 aircraft and artifacts (propellers, engines) from both civil and military service. It gives particular, but not exclusive, reference to Canadian achievements. The most extensive aviation collection in Canada, it is also considered one of the finest aviation museums in the world.



**Admission:** Tel: (613) -991-3044 / Online: [ingeniumcanada.org/casm/visit#fees](http://ingeniumcanada.org/casm/visit#fees)

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## Canada Science and Technology Museum

**Website:** [ingeniumcanada.org/cstm](http://ingeniumcanada.org/cstm)

**Where:** 1867 St. Laurent Boulevard, Ottawa, ON K1G 5A3  
(14 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4/5

**About the Canada Science and Technology Museum:** The Canada Science and Technology Museum provides a highly digital experience for the whole family – igniting visitors with a passion for science and inspiring the next generation of Canadian innovators.



**Admission:** Tel: (613) -991-3044 / Online: [ingeniumcanada.org/cstm/visit#fees](http://ingeniumcanada.org/cstm/visit#fees)

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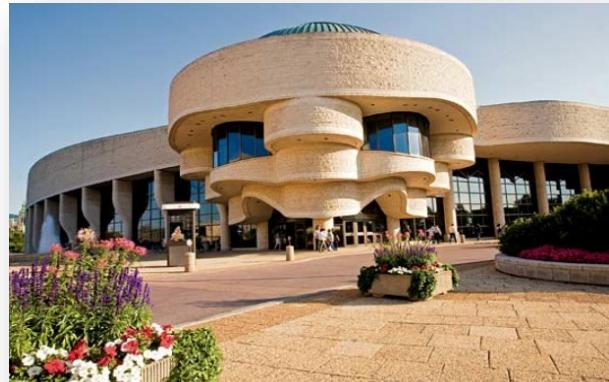
## Canadian Museum of History

**Website:** [historymuseum.ca/](http://historymuseum.ca/)

**Where:** 100 Laurier Street, Gatineau, QC K1A 0M8  
(25 minute walk/6 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About the Canadian Museum of History:** Experience Canada's history in exciting new ways. The Canadian Museum of History is a destination of choice in the National Capital Region. Explore Canada's rich history and the outstanding achievements of First Peoples. Marvel at the world's largest indoor collection of totem poles. The Canadian History Hall, our signature exhibition, will let you discover the events, personalities and historical currents that have shaped Canada — from time immemorial to the present day.



**Admission:** Tel: (819) -776-7000 / Online: [billetstickets.museedelhistoire.ca/webstore/shop/](http://billetstickets.museedelhistoire.ca/webstore/shop/)

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## Canadian Museum of Nature



**Website:** [nature.ca/index.php?q=en/home](http://nature.ca/index.php?q=en/home)

**Where:** 240 McLeod Street, Ottawa, ON K2P 2R1  
(24 minute walk/7 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

### About the Canadian Museum of Nature:

Canada's national natural history museum offers world-class galleries in a handsome heritage "castle". Marvel at dinosaurs and other ancient reptiles in the Fossil Gallery. See grizzlies and other wild animals up close in beautiful dioramas in the Mammal Gallery. Observe hundreds of specimens in the Bird Gallery. See a real blue whale skeleton in the Water Gallery. Be dazzled by over a thousand gorgeous minerals and rocks in the Earth Gallery. Learn about Canada's North in the Canada Goose Arctic Gallery. Peer at an eye-popping assortment of creepy crawlies in Nature Live. Enjoy an action-packed 3D movie. Take advantage of numerous hands-on activities. Don't miss the special, travelling exhibitions. A superb destination for visitors of all ages!



**Admission:** Tel: (613) -566-4700 / Online: [my-mon.nature.ca/single/](http://my-mon.nature.ca/single/)

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## Canadian War Museum



**Website:** [warmuseum.ca/](http://warmuseum.ca/)

**Where:** 1 Vimy Place, Ottawa, ON K1A 0M8  
(10 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

### About the Canadian War Museum:

The Canadian War Museum is more than a museum that is internationally renowned for its symbolic architecture; it is synonym for inspiring and touching stories. Canada's rich military history is showcased through personal stories, artwork, photographs and interactive presentations. Tour the extensive permanent exhibitions and expand your knowledge of the conflicts that shaped Canada, Canadians and the world, as well as the role Canadians played in them.



**Admission:** Tel: (819) -776-7000 / Online: [billetstickets.museedelhistoire.ca/webstore/shop/](http://billetstickets.museedelhistoire.ca/webstore/shop/)

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## Ottawa's Haunted Walk



**Website:** [hauntedwalk.com/](http://hauntedwalk.com/)

**Where:** 46 ½ Sparks Street (beside D'Arcy McGee's) Ticket Office Ottawa, ON K1P 5A8  
(7 minute walk/3 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About Ottawa's Haunted Walk:** Best known for their award-winning evening walking tours, Haunted Walk of Ottawa guides lead guests by lantern-light to well-known locations and share their ghost stories and darker history.



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**Admission:** Tel: (613) -232-0344 / Online: [hauntedwalk.com/](http://hauntedwalk.com/)

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## Royal Canadian Mint

**Website:** [mint.ca/store/mint/visit-the-mint/](http://mint.ca/store/mint/visit-the-mint/)

**Where:** 320 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, ON K1A 0G8  
(13 minute walk/3 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About the Royal Canadian Mint:** The Royal Canadian Mint is more than just a respected part of the Canadian experience – it's an iconic brand honouring national achievements and themes since 1908. As an interesting and educational destination that's open daily – 12 months a year – visitors are invited to tour the Mint's Ottawa manufacturing facility where the precise art and craft of coin-making is revealed. The Mint's on-site boutique also features a large selection of unique gifts, collectibles and souvenirs. For quality, craftsmanship and innovation, the Royal Canadian Mint is one of the world's most respected manufacturers.



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**Admission:** Tel: (613) -993-8990 / Email: [reservationsottawa@mint.ca](mailto:reservationsottawa@mint.ca) / Online: [mint.ca/store/mint/visit-the-mint/](http://mint.ca/store/mint/visit-the-mint/)

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## **Landmarks**

### **ByWard Market**

**Website:** [byward-market.com/en/home/](http://byward-market.com/en/home/)

**Where:** 267 Dalhousie Street, Ottawa, ON K1N 7E3  
(9 minute walk/5 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About ByWard Market:** Within a four block square, you'll find museums, cafes, specialty food shops, boutiques, galleries, restaurants, pubs, hair & aesthetics salons and more! Easily accessible on foot, by transit or by car, the ByWard Market offers a unique experience for all. Established by Lt-Col. John By in 1826, the ByWard Market is one of Canada's oldest and largest public markets. The legendary builder of the Rideau Canal, Colonel By himself laid out the street plan of the Market, designating George Street and York Street to be extra wide to accommodate the creation of a public market and gathering place.



**Admission:** free admission - Tel: (613) -562-3325 / Email: [bia@byward-market.com](mailto:bia@byward-market.com)

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### **National War Memorial**

**Website:** [veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/memorials/national-inventory-canadian-memorials/](http://veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/memorials/national-inventory-canadian-memorials/)

**Where:** Wellington Street |Confederation Square, Ottawa, ON K1N 9N6  
(6 minute walk/5 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About the National War Memorial:** The National War Memorial, also known as "The Response," is a cenotaph symbolizing the sacrifice of all Canadian Armed Forces personnel who have served Canada in time of war in the cause of peace and freedom--past, present and future. The memorial is the site of the national Remembrance Day Ceremony on November 11.



**Admission:** free admission

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## Parliament Hill

**Website:** [visit.parl.ca/sites/Visit/default/en\\_CA](http://visit.parl.ca/sites/Visit/default/en_CA)

**Where:** 111 Wellington Street, Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6  
(7 minute walk/3 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About Parliament Hill:** Three Gothic Revival-style buildings, located on a 170-foot bluff overlooking the Ottawa River, house the offices of the members of Parliament, the House of Commons and the Senate. Free guided tours delve into Canadian history and explain the workings of the political system.

**Admission:** Online: [rts.parl.ca/](http://rts.parl.ca/)



## Rideau Canal & Ottawa Locks

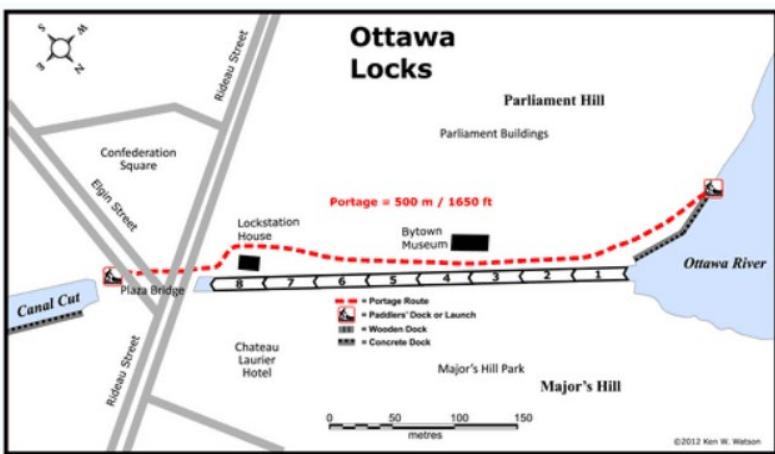
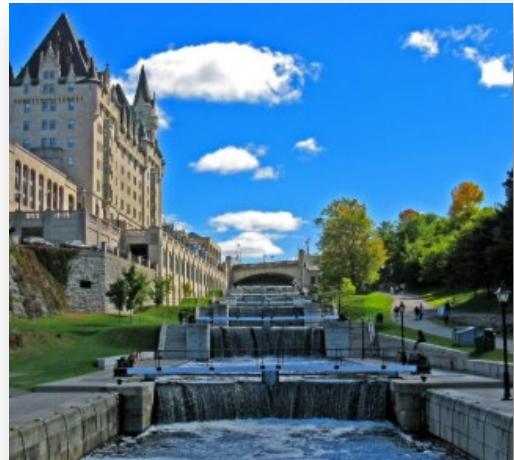
**Website:** [rideau-info.com/canal/attraction](http://rideau-info.com/canal/attraction)

**Where:** Ottawa, ON K1S 5B8  
(7 minute walk/3 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About the Rideau Canal & Ottawa Locks:** UNESCO World Heritage Site, one of the oldest landmarks in Ottawa, this canal is filled with boats in the summer and becomes the "World's Longest Skating Rink" in the winter.

**Admission:** free admission

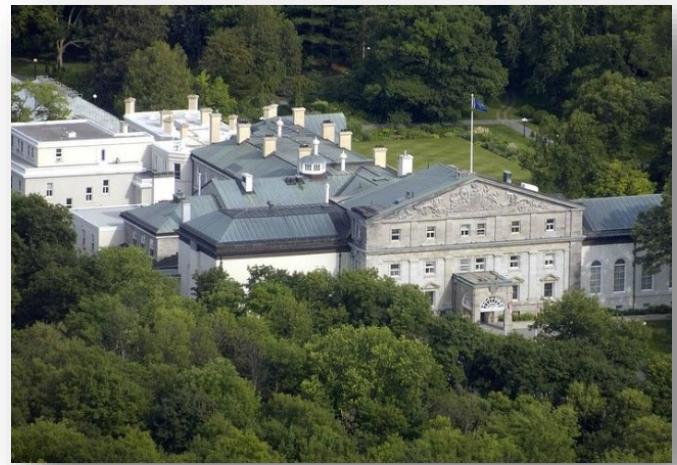


## Rideau Hall

**Website:** [gg.ca/en](http://gg.ca/en)

**Where:** 1 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, ON K1A 0A1  
(10 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5



**About Rideau Hall:** Rideau Hall is the official residence and workplace of every governor general since 1867. This national historic site, situated in an idyllic 79-acre urban oasis, is located only a few minutes from downtown Ottawa and Gatineau.

**Admission:** Depending on the time of the year, a reservation may be required. See [residence tour or grounds tour](#) schedules for details. Visitors must then contact us at least 48 hours in advance to make a reservation. (613) -991-4422 | 1-866-842-4422 (toll-free) | [guide@gg.ca](mailto:guide@gg.ca)

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## Major's Hill Park

**Website:** [ncc-ccn.gc.ca/places/majors-hill-park](http://ncc-ccn.gc.ca/places/majors-hill-park)

**Where:** Behind the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, ON K1N 8S7

(8 minute walk/4 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5



**About Major's Hill Park:** Major's Hill Park is the Capital's first park, used as such since 1826, when the building of the Rideau Canal began. In 1867, fireworks and bonfires in the park marked the Capital's first Canada Day celebrations. It was formally established as a park in 1875.

Major's Hill Park covers 5.06 hectares of land across from the Embassy of the United States of America on Mackenzie Avenue in Ottawa. The park is located between the National Gallery of Canada to the north and the Fairmont Château Laurier to the south.

**Admission:** free admission

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## Nightlife

### Canadian Tire Centre

**Website:** [canadiantirecentre.com/](http://canadiantirecentre.com/)

**Where:** 110-1000 Palladium Drive, Ottawa  
ON K2V 1A5

(23 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4/5



**About the Canadian Tire Centre:** The greatest games. The biggest shows. The best times in the nation's capital happen here.

**Admission:** Tel: (613) -599-0100 / Online: [canadiantirecentre.com/events/](http://canadiantirecentre.com/events/)

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### Casino du Lac-Leamy



**Website:**

[casinos.lotoquebec.com/en/lacleamy/home](http://casinos.lotoquebec.com/en/lacleamy/home)

**Where:** 1 boulevard du Casino, Gatineau, QC  
J8Y 6W3

(11 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4/5



**About Casino du Lac-Leamy:** American-style grand casino with European style features 1,756 gaming spots, 64 tables including Blackjack, Baccarat, American and European Roulette, plus 1,870 slots and a Keno lounge.

**Admission:** free admission – Tel: (819) -772-2100 / Email: [commentairescl@casino.qc.ca](mailto:commentairescl@casino.qc.ca)

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## Escape Manor



**Website:** [escapemanor.com/](http://escapemanor.com/)

**Where:** 201 Queen Street, Ottawa, ON K1P 5C9  
(13 minute walk/6 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 5/5

**About Escape Manor:** You and your friends are investigating a murder when all of a sudden the door slams shut behind you. As you explore the room you are now locked in, you discover what seems to be a set of clues that may help you escape. You have 45 minutes to work together to uncover the clues and find the key to get out before... Different rooms. Different Themes. Lots of fun! Will YOU Escape?



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**Admission:** Tel: (613) -695-1655 / Online: [escapemanor.com/ottawa/booking](http://escapemanor.com/ottawa/booking)

## Heart & Crown



**Website:** [heartandcrown.pub/byward/](http://heartandcrown.pub/byward/)

**Where:** 67 Clarence Street, Ottawa, ON K1N 5P5  
(9 minute walk/4 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4/5

**About Heart and Crown:** The Heart & Crown, in Ottawa's historic ByWard Market, consists of 5 pubs under 1 roof with 6 patios that make-up what is locally known as Ottawa's Irish Village. Featuring Irish-inspired dishes, live music daily and domestic & international sporting events; there's a little something for everybody. A favourite amongst the Irish community, the Heart & Crown is amongst Ottawa's best known watering holes.



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**Admission:** Tel: (613) -562-0674 / Email: [jrobinson@heartandcrown.ca](mailto:jrobinson@heartandcrown.ca)

## The Loft Board Game Lounge

**Website:** [theloftlounge.ca/](http://theloftlounge.ca/)

**Where:** 14 Waller Street, Ottawa, ON K1N 9C4

(8 minute walk/6 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4.5/5

**About The Loft:** With its relaxed and casual atmosphere, and a library of over 900 games to choose from, The Loft offers you a unique entertainment opportunity. Enjoy some face to face interaction with

friends or family while you eat, drink and play. At the end of your stay a \$6.00 'Stay and Play' charge will be added to your bill. Staff will be on hand to recommend the perfect game to suit your preferences and even teach you how to play it. The lounge will offer a selection of tasty eats like fresh baked flatbread pizza, and appetizers - as well as delicious coffee, espressos, wine and beer, served to you at your table!



**Admission:** No reservations for groups under 6 people. Tel: (613) -695-7529

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## YukYuks International Stand-Up Comedy Club

**Website:** [yukyuks.com/ottawa](http://yukyuks.com/ottawa)

**Where:** 292 Elgin Street, Ottawa, ON K2P 1M3\*  
(16 minute walk/11 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4/5

**About Yuk Yuks:** Yuk Yuk's Ottawa comedy club provides the best live comedy in Ottawa. Grab a drink and some food, sit back and get ready to laugh.



**Admission:** Online: [yukyuks.com/index.cfm?action=club&venueID=517](http://yukyuks.com/index.cfm?action=club&venueID=517)

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\*While Elgin Street is under construction, it is still accessible; however, access by vehicle is limited to side streets.

## **Shopping**

### **Ottawa Trainyards**

**Website:** [ottawatrainyards.com/](http://ottawatrainyards.com/)

**Where:** 165 Trainyards Drive, Ottawa, ON K2E 7K3

(12 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** N/A



**About The Ottawa TrainYards:** The Ottawa Train Yards is Ottawa's first centrally located retail powercentre and office development; it houses over a 750,000 feet of retail space, covering over 110 acres of property.

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### **Rideau Centre**

**Website:** [cfshops.com/rideau-centre.html](http://cfshops.com/rideau-centre.html)

**Where:** 50 Rideau Street Suite 300, Ottawa, ON K1N 9J7  
(2 minute walk/2 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4/5



**About the Rideau Centre:** Shop-until-you-drop, seven days a week, at Ottawa's premier mall complex that offers more than two hundred shops, restaurants and services.

**Contact:** Tel: (613) -236-6565

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## **Spa / Wellness**

### **Beauty + Sussex**

**Website:** [beautyandsussex.com/](http://beautyandsussex.com/)

**Where:** 700 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, ON K1N 1K4  
(3 minute walk/3 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)  
**TripAdvisor Rating:** 5/5

**About Beauty + Sussex:** At Beauty + Sussex, our commitment is to meet your highest expectations for hair + esthetic services. Allow our warm and friendly staff to welcome you into our exclusive new designer space in the heart of downtown Ottawa. Let us sweep you in and cater to your beauty needs, so you can walk out of our doors feeling refreshed, confident, and rejuvenated. We will always strive to meet your expectations.



**Reservation:** Tel: (613) -680-6288 / Online: [beautyandsussex.com/#contactcareers](http://beautyandsussex.com/#contactcareers)

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### **Holtz Spa**



**Website:** [holtzspa.com/](http://holtzspa.com/)

**Where:** 135 Rideau Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Ottawa, ON K1N 5X4  
(5 minute walk/4 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)  
**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4/5

**About Holtz Spa:** Holtz Spa is Ottawa's largest full service day spa and offers a welcomed respite from Ottawa's busy downtown. Just steps away from Parliament Hill and all the major attractions, you will find an oasis of calm, where highly trained professionals offer a wide range of holistic treatments to balance, relax and rejuvenate. Massage Therapy and Bodywork, Advanced Skincare, Esthetics, a full service Hair Salon and on-site gourmet food services, create the perfect spa getaway destination for just one service or an entire day.



**Reservation:** Tel: (613) -241-7770 / Online: [holtzspa.com/book-now/](http://holtzspa.com/book-now/)

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## ISO SPA Floatation Centre

**Website:** [isospa.ca/](http://isospa.ca/)

**Where:** 464 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON K2P 1Z3  
(10 minute drive from the Shaw Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 5/5

**About ISO SPA:** ISÖ Spa is the only downtown floatation therapy spa in Ottawa and features multiple luxurious floatation tanks (i-Sopod tanks), upscale finishes and an inviting environment conducive to rest and relaxation. At ISÖ Spa, we strive to make your float experience one you will share with your family, friends, and colleagues.



**Reservation:** Tel: (613) -701-1027 / Online: [clients.mindbodyonline.com/ASP/](http://clients.mindbodyonline.com/ASP/)

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## Nordik Spa-Nature

**Website:** [lenordik.com/en/](http://lenordik.com/en/)

**Where:** 16 Chemin Nordik, Chelsea,  
QC J9B 2P7  
(15 minute drive from the Shaw  
Centre)

**TripAdvisor Rating:** 4/5

### About Le Nordik Spa-Nature:

Located at the entrance of Gatineau Park, Nordik Spa-Nature is a haven that features relaxation techniques from the Nordic countries. Take the time to unwind and reenergize in our Nordic baths and waterfalls, steam baths, saunas, and relaxation areas. Revitalize all of your senses with a massage or a body treatment and a delicious and healthy meal at our restaurant & bar - you've earned it!



**Reservation:** Tel: (819) -827-1111 / Online: [tribu.groupenordik.com/en](http://tribu.groupenordik.com/en)

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