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# The Ottawa Valley

## Renfrew & Pontiac Counties

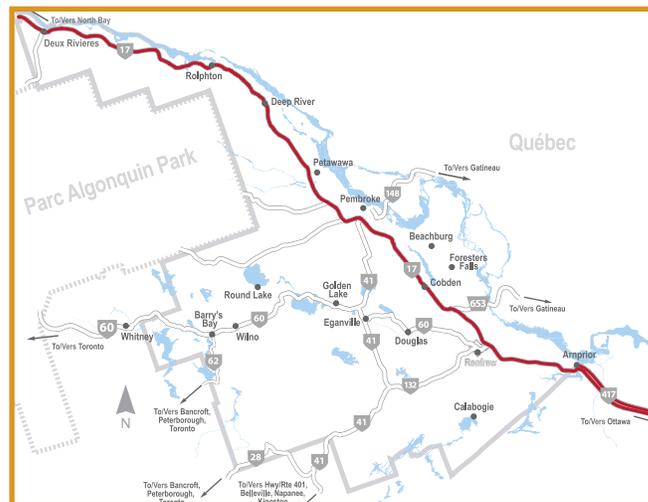
Whether you are the cultural and heritage thrill seeker, outdoor adventurer or simply looking for some retail therapy – the Ottawa Valley is YOUR adventure playground! Take 1 day or 10 – there is something for everyone!

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### Cultural & Heritage Thrill Seekers

The Renfrew County Museums Network, comprised of over 20 museums, is your ticket to exploring the deep history and heritage of the Ottawa Valley. Choose a route less travelled and soak up the feeling of stepping into a rural past as you trace the footsteps of our early pioneers, settlers and First Nations peoples.



CHAMPLAIN TRAIL MUSEUM  
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#### Renfrew County Museums Network

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A network of 21 museums, dedicated to preserving and promoting the Ottawa Valley's rich heritage and history, including:

- **Algonquin Way Cultural Centre (Algonquins of Pikwàkanagàn)**  
*celebrates the traditions of First Nations peoples in the Ottawa Valley*
- **Arnprior & District Museum (Arnprior)**  
*a diverse collection of artefacts and exhibits exploring the lumbering and railway history*
- **Canadian Clock Museum (Deep River)**  
*Canada's Only Clock Museum*

- **CFB Petawawa Military Museums (Petawawa)**  
*catch a glimpse of Canada's proud military history*
- **Champlain Trail Museum (Pembroke)**  
*traces the footsteps of Samuel de Champlain as he discovers Canada*
- **Diefenbunker – Canada's Cold War Museum (Carp)**  
*tour through the once-secret Cold War bunker*
- **Polish Kashub Heritage Park & Museum (Wilno)**  
*Kashubian history in the heart of Canada's first Polish settlement*
- **Ross Museum (Foresters Falls)**  
*tour through a pioneer log home, schoolroom, country store and church*

- **Zurkowski Park (Barry's Bay)**  
*dedicated to Canada's first supersonic fighter – the Avro Arrow CF-105*

#### Stone Fence Theatre (Eganville)

[www.StoneFence.ca](http://www.StoneFence.ca)

A theatrical group dedicated to promoting heritage and historic awareness of the Ottawa Valley through theatre, music, dance, storytelling and comedy.

For more information about cultural and heritage touring in the Ottawa Valley visit [www.OttawaValley.travel/Roots\\_and\\_Rivers.html](http://www.OttawaValley.travel/Roots_and_Rivers.html).



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CHUTES COULONGE  
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## Outdoor Adventurers

The Ottawa Valley is Ontario's Adventure Playground and Whitewater Capital of Canada! Choose from an array of outdoor activities – rafting down class V rapids, zip-lining through a canyon, spelunking in underground caves, ATving or snowmobiling over rolling woodlands, golfing on championship courses or camping in World renowned Algonquin Provincial Park. Let your sense of adventure guide you to the Ottawa Valley

A number of outfitters offer white-water rafting, kayaking and canoeing experiences on many of the Ottawa Valley's rivers, including the mighty Ottawa and Madawaska:

- Canadian Voyageur Adventures (Arnprior)
- Esprit Rafting (Davidson, QC)
- Madawaska Kanu Centre (Barry's Bay)
- OWL Rafting on the Ottawa River (Foresters Falls)
- RiverRun Rafting (Beachburg)
- Wilderness Tours (Beachburg)

Outdoor adventurers may also want to check out:

- Algonquin Provincial Park (Eastern Gateway to Algonquin Park: Petawawa/Whitney) camping, canoeing, hiking, wildlife viewing
- Aqua Rose Gems & Minerals (Combermere) rock-hounding for minerals and gemstones
- Bonnechere Caves (Eganville) Ontario's Natural Underground Wonder
- Chutes Coulonge Park (Fort Coulonge, QC) aerial adventures, including zip-lining and rock-wall climbing
- Top of the Mountain ATV Tours

(Madawaska)  
guided ATV tours through the Madawaska Highlands

For more information about outdoor adventure activities visit [www.OttawaValley.travel/Things\\_to\\_Do.html](http://www.OttawaValley.travel/Things_to_Do.html)

## Retail Therapy

Shopping malls, antique shops, boutiques, galleries and craft stores can be found scattered throughout the Valley. The unique craftsmanship of artisans from across the region can be found on prominent display and is what keeps bringing shoppers back, time and time again.

- Algonquin Trading Post (Golden Lake) offering fine quality Native Arts & Crafts, including moosehide moccasins, deerskin gloves, bone jewellery and more
- Gallerie Gallera (Rapides des Joachims, QC) art gallery and studio situated on a tranquil and secluded island on the Ottawa River
- Hugli's Blueberry Ranch, Ice Cream & Gift Store (Pembroke) Eastern Ontario's largest blueberry operation, featuring u-pick high bush blueberries, blueberry specialty products, gourmet, organic and locally produced foods
- Serendipity on the River (Eganville) a shop and inn, featuring antiques, first editions and used books, unique home and garden decor items, gourmet food
- Simple Things (Beachburg) artisan jewellery, rustic home and garden decor, gourmet and organic foods, handmade soaps and soy wax candles made on-site
- Valley Artisans' Co-op Gallery (Deep River) featuring work by over 30 local artists, including: pottery, paintings, photography, jewellery, woodworking and more

For more information about shopping experiences visit [www.OttawaValley.travel/Shopping\\_and\\_Services.html](http://www.OttawaValley.travel/Shopping_and_Services.html)



SERENDIPITY ON THE RIVER  
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## Food for Thought

Tasty Ottawa Valley cuisine can be savoured in a variety of eateries, elegant inns and tearooms, family dining lounges, historic taverns and traditional parish suppers. Whether you are looking for a succulent gourmet feast or quick bite to tide you over between destinations, the Ottawa Valley offers a great variety for diners. Comfort food was invented here!

- Frisco's Steak & Seafood (Eganville) AAA beef, succulent seafood dishes and made-on-premise house wine are specialties here
- Moose on the Beach (Eganville) country cooking, warm, rustic charm and lakeside dining on beautiful Lake Clear
- Saffron Bistro (Pembroke) casual fine-dining bistro, featuring exceptional cuisine and an elegant atmosphere
- The Granary (Eganville) famous for its German food, including home-style schnitzel, bratwurst and sauerkraut
- Tracey's Old Fashioned Recipe, Centreside Dairy (Renfrew) offering more than 45 fabulous flavours to treat the ice cream connoisseur
- Victoria Rose Tea Room (Pembroke) a relaxing and elegant atmosphere for lunch, afternoon tea or evening dinner
- Wes' Chips (Arnprior) serving the best french fries in the Valley since the 1960s

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