Discover Baie-D'Urfé

Located in a charming and peaceful site bordering Lac Saint-Louis in Montréal, on which sailboats and yachts cast their anchors, the Town of Baie-D'Urfé offers an enchanting sight worthy of a postcard. Baie-D'Urfé's pleasant quality of life is reflected in the friendly faces of the near 4 000 residents that make up its population.

Baie-D'Urfé retained a typical rustic charm accentuated by its limited commercial activity, it's quaint streets and the beautiful sunsets of the lake's shoreline. Adults and children can enjoy clean fresh air in the Town's numerous parks and green spaces.

The Town also has a notable industrial park, isolated from the residential sector, where more than 80 companies have settled since 1970.

Approximately 30 minutes away from downtown Montréal by car, Baie-D'Urfé residents can enjoy the peace and tranquillity of country living while having easy access to the big city attractions.

Profile of the Town

- Population 3 873
- Total private dwellings 1 423
- Population density 638.8 per km²
- Land area 6.03 km²

Living in Baie-D'Urfé

Baie-D'Urfé offers an exceptional quality of life which mirrors its remarkable community. It has a long-standing tradition of responsible local government and volunteer citizen participation. That is why many of our residents have been living here for generations as they quickly become a part of the fabric of this community, which is rich with activities and services for all age groups, not to mention the many volunteers all working together to make this town a beautiful place to live.

The Town's healthy financial situation, its efforts to reduce the burden on tax-payers, and the increasing value of residential properties make Baie-D'Urfé homes a sound investment.

The Name

The Town's name harks back to missionary Sulpicien François-Saturnin Lascaris d'Urfé, son of the Marquis d'Urfé and member of a longstanding French family, who was also the first pastor of the small mission Saint-Louis-du-Bout-de-l'Île.

The coat of arms of the Town

The coat of arms of the Town was created by Mr. **R.S. Buckham on February 2nd, 1960** at the request of Thomas Roche Lee, Mayor of the time of Baie-D'Urfé (1957 to 1961) and was inspired by those of François-Saturnin Lascaris d'Urfe (1641-1701), the family of Urfé, after which the Town was

named.

The central coat of arms represents the coat of arms of this family, as engraved on the base of its chalice preserved in the museum of Notre-Dame church. The crown that surmounts it is that of François d'Urfe, Marquis de Beauzé. The crown of thorns recalls the religious affiliation of d'Urfe with the Sulpicians.

The heraldic colors correspond to the following meanings:

- **The golden crown** - Justice
- **The upper half of the blazon in red** - Charity
- **The blue overturned bells** - Caution
- **The white overturned bells** - Faith & Honour
- **The crown and green thorns** - Loyalty

History and Heritage

History Part 1

- A Town is Born
- The Beginnings of Baie-D'Urfé

History Part 2

- Law and Order
- The Development of the Town
- Recreation and Neighborhood life
- Businesses and Industries
- A Story is Defined