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The Auberge Bonaparte Hotel in Old Montreal, Quebec

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Turn down the Rue St-Francois-Xavier in Old Montreal and you could be forgiven for thinking you are in the middle of Paris. The beautiful, carved stone buildings. The cobblestone streets. The view of the river wending through the city. But as you drive down this quiet lane, look carefully or you will miss one of the treasures of Old Montreal. The [Auberge Bonaparte Hotel](#) is tucked neatly away on this street and is an experience not to be missed.

This is one of those hotels you see in the classiest movies where you enter through a discreet and classy door on a hidden side street into an intimate and beautifully furnished lobby with a warm fireplace flickering quietly. After staying at the Auberge Bonaparte for several days on our recent visit to Montreal, I can truly say that it is a little jewel in the crown of Old Montreal. Conveniently located just a couple of blocks from the Notre Dame Basilica (we had a lovely view of the Basilica from our terrace) as well as many of the restaurants and shops of Old Montreal, it is also a convenient location for access to the Metro or even the ubiquitous Bixi bike stands which are throughout the city.

Upgraded to a suite when we arrived, we didn't realize until later how truly special this was, since this small and charming boutique hotel has only one suite exactly like this one. All of the rooms are perfectly lovely, but if you can possibly arrange a stay in the same one-bedroom suite we had, I recommend it. The living room is quite large with a comfortable couch, two chairs, a TV and a nice mini-bar area which was great to stock with drinks and snacks for our stay. There is also a very nice terrace with a wrought-iron table and chairs that is very pleasant for enjoying the view and the pretty gardens.

The bedroom was also a nice size with a lovely king-sized bed, a desk and another TV. The beautiful, marble bathroom has a glass shower and a huge whirlpool tub. This would actually be a great place for a honeymoon couple! There are several other rooms that also include a whirlpool tub and some have queens and king-size beds; you can decide which will meet your needs. With beautiful hardwood floors, large French dormer windows and high ceilings featuring crown moldings, this suite was really spectacular. But for techies like us, it was also nice to have cable TV with movie channels and wifi available in the room which was extremely fast. All rooms are also non-smoking, which we consider a real plus.

A daily, full breakfast in the fabulous restaurant is included in the price of your room and includes French pancakes, French toast, omelets cooked to order and several other items. A Continental breakfast by room service is also available if you are feeling lazy. We also had dinner in the Auberge Bonaparte restaurant a couple of nights and the food was beautifully prepared and absolutely delicious. This is the perfect place to stay in Old Montreal!

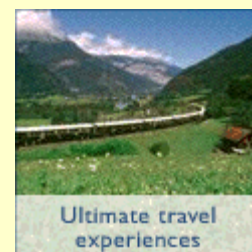
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