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Things To Do...

Book a hotel room and enjoy
CANADIAN ICEWINE!

January 9-25, 2015

**NIAGARA
ICEWINE
festival**

<http://www.niagarawinefestival.com/>



**January 10-18,
2015**

**Direct Energy
Centre
Exhibition Place**

<http://www.torontoboatshow.com/>



**January 30th – February 15,
2015**

<http://carnaval.qc.ca/en/>

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

In Canada, the new year of 2015 will begin on January 1st. It is a **statutory holiday**.

Many Canadians celebrate the arrival of the new year by hosting a party on the night of December 31st, or by attending a public celebration or party with friends and family. Often these parties continue until very late at night, so many people spend the first day of the new year trying to recover.

It is a tradition to make one or more resolutions as the new year begins. These are promises or commitments people make to change and improve their lives. For example, someone might make the resolution to stop smoking in the new year. Many of these resolutions are broken by the end of January.

What Does This Mean?

A statutory holiday is a day when all government offices and banks, are closed. Most other employees are allowed, by law, to take the day off with pay.



WINTERLICIOUS

Jan30 - Feb12, 2015

Toronto's winter culinary celebration is the perfect opportunity to discover diverse cuisine in a variety of local restaurants.

Details here:

[Winterlicious 2015 - Winterlicious - Special Events Office | City of Toronto](http://www.toronto.com/winterlicious-special)

Guide here:

[http://www.toronto.com/winterlicious: Jan. 30 – Feb. 12](http://www.toronto.com/winterlicious-jan-30-feb-12)
2015.toronto.com/guides/winterlicious/

DID YOU KNOW?...?

Level 1 (Beginner)

Some Canadians swim in a lake on New Year's Day. This is a **Polar Bear Dip**.

To see a Polar Bear Dip
Click Here:

<http://www.chch.com/hundreds-take-polar-swim/>

Winter Driving Safety from the CAA

What do you need to be ready for winter driving in Canada?
What do you need for an auto emergency?

Find a complete check list and more:

Hyperlink:
[Winter Driving](#)

What if I am in a Collision?

Learn what to do if you are in a collision.
The information is provided by the Government of Ontario.

Hyperlink:
<http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/safety/topics/reporting.shtml>



Level 3 (Advanced)

Some Canadians celebrate New Year's Day by participating in a group **Polar Bear Dip**. These organized events take place throughout Canada. Brave participants plunge into a bitterly cold lake on this day, in nothing but a bathing suit, despite the freezing temperatures. They do it to raise money for a charity and for the bragging rights!

ENGLISH  went to
..... matters

HISTORIC

BLACK CREEK
Pioneer Village





Join us next time...

**For a Unique Adventure,
Visit an Ice Hotel**

A truly unique Canadian experience is to visit Québec City's Ice Hotel—**Hôtel de Glace.**

It is a hotel made of ice.

It takes 40 workers about 1½ months to build the hotel each year.

It melts after 3 months.

Even the furniture is made of ice!

Check this hyperlink:
[Hotel de Glace — Quebec City's Ice Hotel](#)

**Do you
wanna
build a
snowman!**

**Get a
package
with
dog
sledding,
a hot tub,
and a
beautiful
dinner,
too!**


**Watch on
YouTube!**

**Hotel de
Glace &
Quebec City
- February 2014
YouTube**



February 14th is Valentine's Day

In Canada, Valentine's Day is celebrated on **February 14th**. On this day people give chocolates, flowers, or cards to people that they love. **It is the one day in the year when husbands must give their wives flowers or chocolates.** Many couples also go to a restaurant for dinner on this day.



Young school children will give little valentine cards to their classmates and teachers. Sometimes they give candy with these cards. Your child may come home with a list of names of the children in their class so that no one in the class is forgotten. Often the child's class will have a party to celebrate the day. As well, some people may wear red, white or pink clothing.

March Break is Coming...

February is the time to start thinking about things for the kids to do during March Break. You will need to register them early.

For some **March Break Camps** offered in the GTA:

Toronto:

<http://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=9dd59473c79e7410VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD>

and **Sportplay:**

<http://www.sportplay.ca/#!/camp-locations/c1qt7>


Mississauga:

<http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/camps>


Markham:

<https://www.markham.ca/wps/wcm/connect/markhampublic/00081807-50d1-46b4-8886-c2c3db6768a5/spring+-+March+Break+programs.pdf?MOD=AJPERES&CACHEID=00081807-50d1-46b4-8886-c2c3db6768a5>


Also:



JAPANESE CANADIAN
CULTURAL CENTRE
日系文化会館



Kamp Kodomo
March Break 2015



<http://jccc.on.ca/event/march-break-kamp-kodomo/>

**Monday February 16th
is Family Day.**

We celebrate the importance of Families and Family Life. Schools and many businesses will be closed on this day. Many communities have fun activities for families to enjoy on this day. Check to see what is happening in your community and have **FUN!**

If you travel often and follow innovative technology trends in the news, you may want to watch for a suitcase called:

 **bluesmart**

Observe a demonstration on YouTube:
[Bluesmart - Prototype Demo #02 - YouTube](#)

ZIPPERLESS ENTRY

REMOVABLE BATTERY
+USB PORT

DIGITAL SCALE

COMPLETE
CONTROL HANDLE

GPS ENABLED

UNCONDITIONAL
5 YEAR WARRANTY




Outdoor Skating

One way to enjoy the winter is to go skating on an outdoor rink.

For a complete list of outdoor rinks in **Toronto** click here:
[Outdoor Rinks - Leisure Spaces - Parks & Trails | City of Toronto](#)

For a complete list of outdoor rinks in the **Town of Markham**, click here:
[City of Markham - Arenas and Ice Rinks](#)

For a complete list of outdoor rinks in the **City of Mississauga**, click here:
[Mississauga.ca - Residents - Skating/Hockey/Arenas](#)



For your
March Break
Vacation
Find out more:
The Official Tourism
Website of the
Caribbean |
CARIBBEANTRAVEL.COM