

Experience downtown oakville

shopping, dining, festivals and more!

Downtown Oakville is one of the most popular tourist attractions in Ontario. There is something new to try and enjoy around every corner, on any day. With never-ending options along the downtown streets, there is something suitable for everyone. A unique blend of more than 400 businesses including personal and financial services, art galleries, ethnic eateries, restaurants, new and used books, fashion retailers, health and pharmaceutical services, convenience stores, craft and home décor boutiques, music and entertainment, electronic retailers, photography services, jewelers, travel and real estate services, grocers, optometrists, and pet boutiques line Lakeshore Rd. and contribute to the unique personality of Downtown Oakville. Whether working, entertaining, shopping, or relaxing, it is clear why the downtown core and the town of Oakville are unlike any other community.

Downtown Oakville isn't a fast-paced, stressful lifestyle, but rather a place to relax and discover. As you casually stroll past historic harbours and marinas and head into downtown, take time to admire small shops that have big personalities, and offer everything from the gourmet to the handmade. Also notice the new developments that blend with the homes and businesses that already call downtown their home.

As you cross the bridge and enter the heart of downtown you will be amazed at the variety, the opportunity and the diversity that you find. This is the essence of our town. Downtown Oakville attracts a wide range of people, from regulars that visit daily, to people from across the border; everyone is attracted to Oakville's gem.

The downtown core is not just a seasonal attraction, but a year-round spectacle. It is a productive, active, and central hub of Oakville life all 12 months of the year and no one knows this better than those lucky enough to live along its historic streets.



Travel off the main road and you will explore Oakville's history back to the days when Colonel William Chisholm first made a settlement at elbow of 16-mile creek. Still standing are the homes dating back to the earliest settlers that make downtown the historic village that it is. Discover plaques on front doors that remind us of the home's original owners, and the year of their construction. Preserved in their glory, these homes tie us to our forebearers and remind us to conserve for the citizens of tomorrow.

Residents here delight in the wealth of festivals and events that tie us together as a community along the main street of downtown. With a festival in every season, there is always something exciting going on. Celebrate summer at Oakville's Jazz Festival and welcome a new season at the annual Fall Festival. During winter, downtown transforms into a picturesque village with the Tree Lighting Ceremony and the annual Santa Clause Parade that features more than 50 beautiful floats. From the Tiny Tots Parade, to Midnight Madness and Sidewalk sales, there is always a reason to rediscover why you love Oakville. And that reason can always be found experiencing downtown.

