WHEELS UP ➤ TRENDING

QUÉBEC CITY
A lively new cultural scene is stirring up this historic destination.

Why Now: With winding cobblestone streets, open-air cafés and the majestic hotel Fairmont Le Château Frontenac, walled Old Québec, perched above the St. Lawrence River, never loses its charm. But a sizzling arts and culinary scene has visitors heading downhill to emerging neighborhoods Saint-Roch and Limoilou.

Where to Go: Wake to croissants served right to your door at Hôtel des Coutellier, then scour the galleries and shops in the adjacent antiques district for one-of-a-kind souvenirs. When it’s time for lunch, brave the hill to Le Chic Shack in the shadow of the towering Château for high-quality twists on classic finger food: burgers on brioche buns, heaps of poutine (the Québécois specialty of French fries, cheese curds and gravy) and dark chocolate milk shakes served in Mason jars. After touring the sites, cab down to Saint-Roch and sup on salmon tartar or buttermilk fried chicken at Le Clocher Penché. Though the local ingredients will (rightfully) be top of mind, take a moment to marvel at the restaurant’s remodel—the bistro was once a bank. When night falls, the neighborhood’s streets turn into a stage; catch an outdoor performance during Carrefour International Theater Festival (May 21-June 7). Or head to Limoilou and watch aerialists and acrobats show off their skills during Jours de Cirque, a high-flying celebration of circus arts in late spring.

—AMANDA HALM

HIT THE TOWN

☕ Le Billig
Buckwheat crepes heaping with fresh ingredients, served sans snobbery.

☕ Le Sacrilege
Local microbrews, good bands and a terrace built around fairy-tale trees.

☕ Chez Boulay
Bistro Boréal
Local produce gets a tasty Nordic makeover by a renowned chef.

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B O A R D I N G  P A S S

SAN FRANCISCO
The city’s Mission District offers plenty of casual eats to fuel a day of wandering. Grab a sticky-sweet morning bun from beloved Tartine Bakery to enjoy with skyline views at nearby Dolores Park. Stroll south for lunch at Mission Pie, where savory ingredients come wrapped in a flaky crust. Later, browse the Clarion Alley murals while savoring an ice cream cone from Bi-Rite Creamery. As the sun descends, fill up on quesadillas, burritos and more at El Farolito Taquería.