

Toronto Travel Guide and Activities



Toronto has everything: music, dance, comedy, theatre, sports, galleries and museums. An active waterfront on the shores of Lake Ontario which includes Harbourfront Centre and Ontario Place.



5 THINGS TO SEE

- Niagara Falls
- Canada's Wonderland
- Royal Ontario Museum
- Art Gallery of Ontario
- Ontario Place

5 THINGS TO DO

- Toronto International Film Festival
- Camping in Algonquin Park
- EdgeWalk at the CN Tower
- Explore the multicultural neighbourhoods
- Take in a show in the entertainment district



CLIMATE

Canada enjoys four very distinct seasons, particularly in the more populated regions along the US border. Daytime summer temperatures typically 26-30°C while winters are typically -5°C. More moderate temperatures are the norm in spring and fall.

CURRENCY

- Currency: Canadian dollar CAD\$
- Major credit card companies in Canada: American Express, Visa and Master Card.
- Standard banking hours: Monday to Friday from 9:30 until 16:30. Some banks and specific branches may be open later and even on Saturdays and Sundays.

SMOKING LAWS

Legal age for smoking in Toronto is 18. Smoking is prohibited in all buildings, including all restaurants and bars. Smoking is permitted outside. If you smoke in a "smoke free" place, you may receive a fine of up to \$5000.

DRIVING AGE

Minimum age to rent a cars is 21. Additional charges may apply to drivers 21 to 24 years of age. Most rental companies require that you have an international driving license, a second form of identity and a major credit card.

ALCOHOL AGE

Legal age for drinking in Toronto is 19 and many places will ask for identification.

VISA REGULATION

For Visa information please read [Applying for a Visa in Canada](#)



COST OF LIVING

Coffee/cappuccino (Starbucks)	C\$3.00- C\$5.70
Bottle of water/soda (0.33 litre)	C\$1.30- C\$3.00
Fast-food combo meal	C\$9.00- C\$14.00
Meal, inexpensive restaurant	C\$15.00- C\$25.00
Fitness club (monthly, 1 adult)	C\$40.00- C\$85.00
Public transport (local transport)	C\$3.25 (one-way)
Public transport (monthly pass)	C\$152.00

MAPS (TUBE MAPS / BUS ROUTES)

- [Schedules and Maps](#)
- [Fares](#)

COST(WEEKLY/MONTHLY PASSES)

- One ride: C\$3
- Weekly pass: C\$36
- Monthly transit pass: C\$121

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

- 11 November 2019
- 25 December 2019
- 26 December 2019
- 01 January 2020
- 17 February 2020
- 10 April 2020
- 18 May 2020
- 01 July 2020
- 03 August 2020
- 07 September 2020
- 12 October 2020
- 11 November 2020
- 24 December 2020
- 25 December 2020

ELECTRICITY

110 V; 60Hz - 2 flat-pin plug.

TAP WATER - DRINKABLE!

Tap water is safe unless there's a sign to the contrary.

USEFUL LINKS

- [What's On](#)
- [Events](#)
- [Weather in Toronto](#)

MEDICAL

If you have a medical emergency, go to the emergency department of the hospital closest to you. Take some identification with you, and your insurance policy number. Some hospitals may ask you to pay a fee. Keep the receipt to send to your insurance company for payment. For Emergencies call 911.

Go to a walk-in medical clinic for medical problems that are not emergencies. You do not need to make an appointment. You can simply go see a doctor. The closest walk-in clinics to EC Toronto is: The Doctor's Office, 245 Eglinton Avenue East, Tel: 416-488-1452

Health & Insurance Requirements – CAD\$19 per week

HEALTH & INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

All EC Toronto students must be covered by health insurance for the entire length of their stay. EC can help students to purchase insurance upon arrival at the school. The cost of insurance is \$14 Cdn per week. Students will be asked to show proof of coverage on arrival if they are not purchasing insurance through EC.