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## Local Restaurants Shine as OpenTable Announces 150 Best Neighbourhood Gems in Canada

*OpenTable celebrates Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary by recognizing local favourite eateries across the country*

*Eighty-seven per cent of Canadians say they are more likely to eat at a restaurant if it uses local, Canadian ingredients*

TORONTO, April 4, 2017 /CNW/ -- This year marks the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Great White North and to help Canadians celebrate, [OpenTable](#), the world's leading provider of online restaurant reservations and part of The Priceline Group (NASDAQ: PCLN), today announced the [150 Best Neighbourhood Gems in Canada for 2017](#). These awards reflect the combined opinions of more than 480,000 restaurant reviews submitted by verified OpenTable diners for more than 2,000 restaurants in Canada.



From quaint European-style cafés to sizzling Asian kitchens and everything in between, this list honours Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary by recognizing the unique local restaurants that define neighbourhoods across the country. The 150 Best Neighbourhood Gems list extends beyond the traditional dining hotspots of Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto and Montréal, with neighbourhood eateries in places like Bragg Creek, Dollard-Des-Ormeaux and Penetanguishene all recognized. Including restaurants with multiple locations, Ontario has the greatest number of restaurants featured with 68 establishments, followed by Alberta with 37, British Columbia with 22, Québec with 15 and Manitoba with seven. Restaurants from Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia are also featured on this list.

"The restaurants highlighted on this list illustrate the variety of local tastes across the country as neighbourhoods in Canada become more diverse," said Ziv Schierau, Head of National Accounts for OpenTable Canada. "From the best-kept-secret eateries to more established restaurants, this list encourages Canadians to explore their own neighbourhood, as well as others, for their next dining out experience."

In addition to announcing the 150 Best Neighbourhood Gems in Canada, OpenTable today released survey data revealing diverse perspectives on Canadian cuisine and dining patterns. When it comes to where they eat, the survey found 55 per cent of Canadians prefer to dine close to their own neighbourhood instead of exploring other areas. Other survey results include:

- | Eighty-nine percent of respondents said they have a positive view of Canadian cuisine and 87 per cent indicated they were more likely to eat at a restaurant if it used local, Canadian ingredients.
- | When it comes to Canada's national food, maple syrup came out on top with 26 per cent of the vote narrowly beating poutine with 23 per cent. Alberta beef came in third with 11 per cent.
- | Regional delicacies proved to be popular among Canadians with 21 per cent claiming Alberta beef as their favourite Canadian food followed by Pacific salmon (19 per cent) and poutine (15 per cent). Peameal bacon, butter tarts and Montréal smoked meat were also top responses.
- | Canadians are adventurous - 37 per cent of survey respondents said they dine at a new restaurant in their neighbourhood at least once a month. When asked what kind of restaurant they'd like to see open in their neighbourhood, 28 per cent chose casual dining while 21 per cent said they'd prefer a bistro.

These findings are based on an online survey of more than 300 OpenTable diners conducted between January 2, 2017 and March 8, 2017.

The list of the [150 Best Neighbourhood Gems in Canada](#) is generated solely from more than 480,000 restaurant reviews collected from verified OpenTable diners between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016. All restaurants with a minimum "overall" score and number of qualifying reviews were included for consideration. Qualifying restaurants were then scored

and sorted according to the percentage of reviews for which "neighbourhood gem" was selected as a special feature.

Based on this methodology, the **150 Best Neighbourhood Gems in Canada** according to OpenTable diners are as follows (in alphabetical order):

[Aberfoyle Mill](#) - Guelph, Ontario  
[anew Table](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Arms Reach Bistro](#) - North Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Ascari Enoteca](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Baldini](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Barnstormer Brewing Company](#) - Barrie, Ontario  
[The Bavarian Inn Restaurant](#) - Bragg Creek, Alberta  
[Biagio Ristorante](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Bishop's](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Bistro 67](#) - Whitby, Ontario  
[Bistro Nolah](#) - Dollard-Des-Ormeaux, Québec  
[Block Kitchen + Bar - BANFF](#) - Banff, Alberta  
[bloom.](#) - Waterloo, Ontario  
[Borealis Grille & Bar - Kitchener](#) - Kitchener, Ontario  
[Brooklyn Tavern](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Cafe Carlo](#) - Winnipeg, Manitoba  
[Campagnolo - Toronto](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Canteen - Edmonton](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[Carben Restaurant](#) - Ottawa, Ontario  
[Carino Riserva](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Carpaccio Restaurant & Wine Bar](#) - Niagara Falls, Ontario  
[Casalinga Ristorante](#) - Mississauga, Ontario  
[Cava](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Chabrol](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Chaise Café](#) - Winnipeg, Manitoba  
[Chiado](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Cibo Bistro](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[Cilantro](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Cinara](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Corrientes Argentine Pizzeria](#) - Winnipeg, Manitoba  
[Cucci Ristorante](#) - Oakville, Ontario  
[DaiLo](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[De Dutch - Edmonton](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[DiVino Wine Studio](#) - Ottawa, Ontario  
[Earth to Table: Bread Bar - Guelph](#) - Guelph, Ontario  
[Elisabeth's Chalet](#) - Surrey, British Columbia  
[The Elm Tree](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[F'Amelia Ristorante](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Fable Kitchen](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Fauna](#) - Ottawa, Ontario  
[Federico's Supper Club](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Flor de Sal](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Forage](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[The Glass Monkey](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[Globe Bistro](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Hobart's Steakhouse - Peterborough](#) - Peterborough, Ontario  
[Homer Street Cafe & Bar](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Hoogan & Beaufort](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[Il Buco](#) - Barrie, Ontario  
[Il Postino](#) - Unionville, Ontario  
[Indian Street Food Co](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Involtini Ristorante](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Italian Farmhouse Restaurant & Bar](#) - Bragg Creek, Alberta  
[Jake's Grill & Oyster House](#) - Burlington, Ontario  
[Jan's On The Beach](#) - White Rock, British Columbia  
The Keg Steakhouse + Bar - Multiple Locations (Alberta, British Columbia, Ontario)  
[King Street Trio](#) - Waterloo, Ontario  
[Kitchenette](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[KOKO! Share Bar](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Koutouki Taverna](#) - Edmonton, Alberta

[L'Unità Enoteca](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[La Brezza Ristorante](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[La Fabrique](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[La Vecchia Ristorante](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[La Verità](#) - Dollard-Des-Ormeaux, Québec  
[La Vita E Bella](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[The Lake House](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Laloux](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[LaVinia](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Lawrence Restaurant](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[Le Chien Fumant](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[Le Maitre D](#) - Penetanguishene, Ontario  
[Le Surcouf](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[Les Deux Singes de Montarvie](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[Leyda's Restaurant](#) - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan  
[Local Kitchen & Wine Bar - West Toronto](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Lola Rosa Parc](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[Louisiana Purchase](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[Lula Lounge](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Mangia E Bevi](#) - West Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Marben](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Mettawas Station Mediterranean Restaurant](#) - Kingsville, Ontario  
[Mijjidaa Cafe + Bistro](#) - Guelph, Ontario  
[Mildred's Temple Kitchen](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Moti Mahal Restaurant - 17th Ave](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Neverland Tea Salon](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Next Door Wine Bar](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Niko's Bistro](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
Nineteen XIX - Multiple Locations (Alberta)  
[North and Navy](#) - Ottawa, Ontario  
[Nuit Social](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[The Old Bavaria Haus](#) - New Westminster, British Columbia  
[Old Surrey Restaurant](#) - Surrey, British Columbia  
[Open Range](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Original Hobart's Steakhouse - Lindsay](#) - Lindsay, Ontario  
[Osteria Savio Volpe](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Peasant Cookery](#) - Winnipeg, Manitoba  
[Pigeonhole](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Pineridge Hollow](#) - RM of Springfield, Manitoba  
[Pizzeria Gusto](#) - Winnipeg, Manitoba  
[PJ's Restaurant in the Atrium](#) - Guelph, Ontario  
[Posto Pizzeria and Bar](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Promenade Cafe and Wine](#) - Winnipeg, Manitoba  
Queen Margherita Pizza - Toronto, Ontario (Multiple Locations)  
[Rasoï](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[Red Ox Inn](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[Restaurant EVOO](#) - Montréal, Québec  
[Rustica Steakhouse at Silvertip Golf Resort](#) - Canmore, Alberta  
[Salt Wine Bar](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Santorini Greek Taverna](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Sarpa Restaurant](#) - Richmond Hill, Ontario  
[Scopa Neighbourhood Italian](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Smith Bros. Steakhouse Tavern](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[The Soca Kitchen](#) - Ottawa, Ontario  
[Sole Restaurant](#) - Waterloo, Ontario  
[Solstice Seasonal Cuisine](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[Sorrel Rosedale](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[The Stone Cellar](#) - Perth, Ontario  
[The Stubborn Goat Gastropub](#) - Halifax, Nova Scotia  
[Tamarind East Indian Restaurant](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Tap Restaurant](#) - Surrey, British Columbia  
[Tavern on the Square](#) - Westmount, Québec  
[Taverna Italian Kitchen](#) - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan  
[Tavola](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Terra Mare Restaurant](#) - Dollard-Des-Ormeaux, Québec

[Terroni - Queen](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Tony Capone's Italian Grill](#) - Ottawa, Ontario  
[Tour de Feast](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Trafalgars Bistro](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Trattoria Taverniti](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Trattoria Timone](#) - Oakville, Ontario  
[Trio Ristorante & Pizzeria](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Tutti Matti](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Two-One Bistro](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Tzin Wine & Tapas](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[Uli's Restaurant](#) - White Rock, British Columbia  
[Uncle Tony's](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Vero Bistro Moderne](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Vibo Restaurant](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Villa Firenze](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Vin Room - West](#) - Calgary, Alberta  
[Violino Gastronomia Italiana](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[Vivo Ristorante](#) - Edmonton, Alberta  
[Wellington Court Restaurant + Catering](#) - St. Catharines, Ontario  
[West Restaurant](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[The Westerly](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Woodlot](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Zee Grill](#) - Toronto, Ontario  
[Zest Restaurant](#) - Vancouver, British Columbia  
[Zizi trattoria](#) - Woodbridge, Ontario

The complete list may also be viewed at <http://www.opentable.com/m/150-best-neighbourhood-gem-restaurants-in-canada-2017>. Diners can also read more about the 150 Best Neighbourhood Gems in Canada by visiting the [OpenTable](#) blog.

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### **About OpenTable Restaurant Reviews**

Originally launched in November 2008, the OpenTable Reviews program helps diners find restaurants that best fit their dining occasions. Only diners who recently honoured an OpenTable reservation are invited to submit restaurant reviews. Visitors to OpenTable can access reviews for thousands of OpenTable restaurant partners across the United States, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Japan and the UK. The OpenTable Reviews program has generated more than 40 million restaurant reviews by verified diners, establishing OpenTable as one of the largest and most trusted sources for restaurant reviews.

### **About OpenTable**

[OpenTable](#), part of The Priceline Group (NASDAQ: PCLN), is the world's leading provider of online restaurant reservations, seating more than 21 million diners per month via online bookings across more than 40,000 restaurants. The OpenTable network connects restaurants and diners, helping diners discover and book the perfect table and helping restaurants deliver personalized hospitality to keep guests coming back. The OpenTable service enables diners to see which restaurants have available tables, select a restaurant based on verified diner reviews, menus, and other helpful information, and easily book a reservation. In addition to the company's website and mobile apps, OpenTable powers online reservations for nearly 600 partners, including many of the Internet's most popular global and local brands. For restaurants, the OpenTable hospitality solutions enable them to manage their reservation book, streamline their operations, and enhance their service levels. Since its inception in 1998, OpenTable has seated over 1 billion diners around the world and more than 48 million in Canada. OpenTable is headquartered in San Francisco and has bookable restaurants in more than 20 countries, including Australia, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Mexico, United Kingdom and the United States.

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