

## WHY IS TORONTO SUCH A GREAT PLACE TO VISIT?

**We'll give you over 40 exciting reasons...  
...and that's just the tip of the iceberg!**



So you're on the fence about coming to Toronto? Aside from seeing a great BHS Contest and Convention, let us convince you on the many things to see and do for the entire family!

There are hundreds and hundreds of great things to experience in our fabulous City - so where do you start?

We asked our 2013 BHS Committee members what they love to do in Toronto, and have selected over 40 exciting must-see and must-do attractions for the entire family. But don't stop here...visit [www.seetorontonow.com](http://www.seetorontonow.com) and check out all the possibilities. Come to Toronto and see for yourself... You'll be AMAZED!

### Locations/Directions/Transportation:

\*\*\* Toronto's transit system is referred to as the "TTC" and provides public transportation by subway, bus and light rail or street car. Directions for all attractions are measured from Union Station & The Air Canada Centre (ACC). Both are located beside each other at Bay St. & Front St. in the heart of downtown Toronto. This is where you will also find Union Station's Subway Station. To learn more about getting around Toronto, visit [www.ttc.ca](http://www.ttc.ca)



### Toronto CityPASS

This is a must have! With Toronto CityPASS, you can skip lines and save nearly half off regular admission prices. Includes admission to CN Tower, Casa Loma, Ontario Science Centre, Royal Ontario Museum and Toronto Zoo.

[www.citypass.com/toronto](http://www.citypass.com/toronto)

Call: 1-888-330-5008



### City Sightseeing Toronto

Various pick-up locations in the downtown core. City Sightseeing Toronto provides hop-on, hop-off double Decker City Tours. Use the bus to get to your favourite attractions. \*\*\*Start at Union Station; then proceed to CN Tower, Bata Show Museum, Royal Ontario Museum, Art Gallery of Ontario, Hockey Hall of Fame, St. Lawrence Market, The Distillery, Eaton Centre, Dundas Square, Harbourfront Centre, and more. A ticket includes a 45-minute boat cruise around the Toronto Islands.

[www.citysightseeingtoronto.com](http://www.citysightseeingtoronto.com)

Call: 416-410-0536



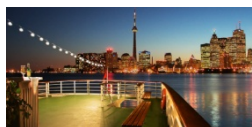
### CN Tower

Toronto's CN Tower includes an exciting elevator ride, spectacular views from three observation levels - including the glass floor and sky pod. Fine and casual dining - reserve a table at the 360 Restaurant an hour before sunset and see the City by day and by night. Don't miss the most thrilling attraction of all...EdgeWalk. Would you dare to try? Look for Admission discounts with Toronto CityPASS. \*\*\*Located at 301 Front Street East, just a 10-minute walk West on Front St. from Union Station/ACC.

[www.cntower.ca](http://www.cntower.ca)

Call: 416-868-6937

[www.torontocitypass.com](http://www.torontocitypass.com)



### Toronto Island Cruises

Enjoy a cruise around Toronto's islands. Afternoon, Brunch and Dinner cruises available. Some of the sights you will see: Toronto Islands & waterways, Queens Quay, Island Airport, Harbourfront Centre, CN Tower, Rogers Centre, Sugar Beach, Air Canada Centre and Gibraltar Point Lighthouse. \*\*\*Mariposa's vessels are docked at Pier 6, at the Queens Quay Terminal building at 207 Queens Quay West. Just a 6 minute walk from Union Station/ACC - South on Bay St. & West on Queen's Quay W.

[www.mariposacruises.com](http://www.mariposacruises.com)

Call: 416-203-0178

or

[www.jubileequeencruisies.ca](http://www.jubileequeencruisies.ca)

Call: 416-203-7245



## FIREWORKS!!

What else would you expect on Canada Day (July 1st) or U.S. Independence Day (July 4th)? In 2013 there may be fireworks again on July 1st in the Toronto Harbour! \*\*\* You could view them from the Westin Harbour Castle - a 5 minute walk from Union Station/ACC. Stay tuned for details. Other spots to catch the show are: Amesbury Park (Lawrence Ave. W. & Keele St.); Ashbridges Bay (Lakeshore Blvd E @ Coxwell); Mel Lastman Square (Yonge Street Just North of Sheppard Avenue West).

## AMUSEMENT PARKS



### Canada's Wonderland

Get ready to ride *Leviathan* - the tallest and fastest rollercoaster in Canada. Canada's Wonderland features 200 attractions such as 69 rides including 16 roller coasters, along with Splash Works, Planet Snoopy and KidZville play areas. \*\*\*Located 9580 Jane St., Vaughan. Just a 45 minute drive northbound from Union Station/ACC.

[www.canadaswonderland.com](http://www.canadaswonderland.com)

Call: 905-832-7000



### Centreville Amusement Park (Toronto Island)

Centreville Amusement Park is nestled in over 600 acres of parkland just across the harbour from the City. With over 30 rides and attractions and more than 14 food outlets, there's something for everyone at Centreville. Children less than 4' tall can go on 8 rides in the park by themselves and 13 additional rides with a paying adult. \*\*\*Catch the Ferry at the foot of Bay St. at Queen's Quay Terminal, just West of the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel. Just a 6 minute walk from Union Station/ACC.

[www.centreisland.ca](http://www.centreisland.ca)

Summer: 416-203-0405

Winter: 416-234-2345

## MUSEUMS, GALLERIES, EDUCATION & HISTORIC SITES



### Royal Ontario Museum

Explore Canada's largest museum of world cultures and natural history. Discover dinosaurs, ancient Egypt, Canada's First peoples, gems and minerals and more, alongside dining, shopping and the unique architecture of the museum itself. Look for Admission discounts with Toronto CityPASS. \*\*\*Located at 100 Queen's Park. Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to Museum Station (5 Stops/7 mins).

[www.rom.on.ca](http://www.rom.on.ca)

Call: 416-586-8000

[www.torontocitypass.com](http://www.torontocitypass.com)

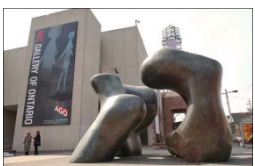


### Bata Shoe Museum

Changing exhibits, events and family-friendly programs make each visit to the Bata Shoe Museum unique. The Museum celebrates the style and function of footwear ranging from Chinese bound foot shoes and ancient Egyptian sandals to chestnut-crushing clogs and glamorous platforms. Over 4,500 years of history and a collection of 20th-century celebrity shoes are reflected in the semi-permanent exhibition. \*\*\*Located at 327 Bloor Street West, Toronto. Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to St. George Station (6 stops/8 mins). Then it's just a 4 minute walk.

[www.batashoemuseum.ca](http://www.batashoemuseum.ca)

Call: 416-979-7799



### Art Gallery of Ontario

With a collection of more than 89,000 works of art, the redesigned AGO is among the most distinguished in North America. \*\*\*Located at 317 Dundas Street West. Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to St. Patrick Station (which is Dundas St.) (3 stops/4 mins).

[www.ago.net](http://www.ago.net)

Call: 416-979-6660



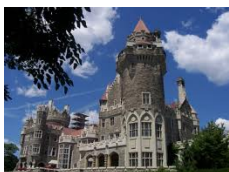
### Ontario Science Centre

The Ontario Science Centre offers hundreds of interactive exhibits and daily science demonstrations. Home to KidSpark for kids 8 and under. The Innovation Centre allows youth to create and innovate; the Space Hall is home to Toronto's only public planetarium; and the Omnimax Theatre features IMAX films that run hourly throughout the day. Look for Admission discounts with Toronto CityPASS. \*\*\*Located at 770 Don Mills Road. Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to Eglinton Station (11 stops/16 mins) - then transfer to the #34 Bus to Don Mills Road (17 quick stops/21 mins) - add a 5 minute walk to the building.

[www.ontariosciencecentre.ca](http://www.ontariosciencecentre.ca)

Call: 416-696-1000

[www.torontocitypass.com](http://www.torontocitypass.com)



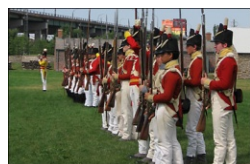
### Casa Loma

The 96-room castle features unique architecture, decorated suites, soaring ceilings and rich wood carvings. Explore secret passages or traverse an 800-ft. tunnel to luxurious stables. Look for Admission discounts with Toronto CityPASS. \*\*\*Located at 1 Austin Terrace. Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to Dupont Station (8 Stops/10 mins). Then walk 9 minutes to Casa Loma...you can't miss it!

[www.casaloma.org](http://www.casaloma.org)

Call: 416-923-1171

[www.torontocitypass.com](http://www.torontocitypass.com)



### Fort York National Historic Site

Built in 1793, Fort York is the birthplace of urban Toronto. Fort York features Canada's largest collection of original War of 1812 buildings; the site of the U.S. attack; and where the Battle of York came to its violent end in 1813. Located at 250 Fort York Blvd. \*\*\*You can walk to Fort York in 35 minutes or drive in 7 minutes.

[www.toronto.ca/fortyork](http://www.toronto.ca/fortyork)

Call: 416-392-6907

## SHOPPING & LEISURE



### Toronto Eaton Centre

Toronto Eaton Centre is a place like no other. Its spectacular glass Galleria soars above a fascinating selection of more than 230 retailers, restaurants and services. Located in the heart of the City, it is one of the most interesting and exciting shopping experiences you will find anywhere. Located at 218 Yonge Street. Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to Dundas Station (3 stops/4 mins).

[www.torontoeatoncentre.com](http://www.torontoeatoncentre.com)

Call: (416) 598-8560



### Honest Ed's

A Toronto landmark for tourists and an entertaining shopping experience for all. Honest Ed's is a one-of-a-kind bargain centre that has everything from wine to twine. Honest Ed's will be celebrating their 65th Anniversary in 2013, so we can expect some great bargains. Located at 581 Bloor Street West. Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to Spadina Station (7 stops/9 mins), then walk 8 minutes.

[www.honestedsites.toronto.com](http://www.honestedsites.toronto.com)

Call: 416- 537-1574



### World's Biggest Bookstore

A Toronto landmark with 64,000 square feet worth of the written word on everything from Astrology to Zoology has dominated the same downtown block for almost 25 years. If you love bookstores - you can't miss this! Located at 20 Edward Street. . Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to Dundas Station (3 stops/4 mins) and walk 1 minute north to Edward St. It's just one block north of the Eaton Centre, and just over a block from the Delta Chelsea Hotel.

[www.chapters.indigo.ca/home/storeLocator/storeDetails/200/](http://www.chapters.indigo.ca/home/storeLocator/storeDetails/200/)

Call: 416-977-7009





### Yorkdale Shopping Centre

Yorkdale is Canada's premier shopping centre, located in the heart of the Greater Toronto Area. Its exclusive list of retailers totally more than 250 - is highlighted by many first-in-Canada and flagship stores, including J.Crew, Tory Burch, Crate & Barrel, Michael Kors and Burberry, as well as such sought-after destinations as Tiffany & Co., Holt Renfrew, Apple and Cartier. \*\*\*Located at 3401 Dufferin St. Take the Subway from Union Station to Yorkdale Station (13 stops/22 mins) - takes you right into the Mall.

[www.yorkdale.com](http://www.yorkdale.com)  
Call: 416-789-3261



### Steam Whistle Brewing

Enjoy Toronto's own Steam Whistle Pilsner, brewed at the historic railway roundhouse. The onsite retail store offers unique merchandise along with fresh beer. Open to the public - tours included. \*\*\*Located at 255 Bremner Blvd. Walk West through the "Path Skywalk" from Union Station right to Bremner Blvd. (11 mins).

[www.steamwhistle.ca](http://www.steamwhistle.ca)  
Call: 416-362-2337



### St. Lawrence Market

A historic site, gallery and unique modern marketplace in Old Town Toronto, the St. Lawrence Market Complex features more than 50 specialty vendors and a Saturday farmers market. Sunday hosts the antiques market and historic St. Laurence Hall. \*\*\*Located at 92 Front Street East. Walk East on Front Street for 11 minutes from Union Station.

[www.stlawrencemarket.com](http://www.stlawrencemarket.com)  
Call: 416-392-7219



### Harbourfront Centre

A popular year-round destination, the Harbourfront Centre is situated along the waterfront, offering an eclectic blend of arts, culture and recreation as well as an outdoor patio and indoor café. Annual events include festivals, dance, theatre and musical performances. \*\*\*Located at 235 Queen's Quay West. From Union Station walk South on Bay Street and turn right on Queen's Quay West (15 mins).

[www.harborfrontcentre.com](http://www.harborfrontcentre.com)  
Call: 416-973-4000



### Distillery District

A centre for arts, culture, food and entertainment, this national historic site includes 44 heritage buildings and numerous brick-lined courtyards. Explore the districts many restaurants, art galleries, artisan boutiques, specialty retail stores and more. \*\*\*Located at 55 Mill Street. From Union Station walk East along The Esplanade for 26 minutes; or walk North on Bay Street to King Street. Then take the #504 Eastbound Street Car (7 stops/6 mins) to Trinity Street. Walk South 6 minutes to the Distillery.

[www.thedistillerydistrict.com](http://www.thedistillerydistrict.com)  
Call: 416-364-1177

## ZOOS, ANIMAL PARKS & GARDENS



### Toronto Zoo

The Toronto Zoo offers 5,000-plus animals, year-round events, daily Keeper Talks and splash Island. \*\*NEW\*\* The Zoo is getting ready for the giant PANDAS arriving in the Spring of 2013! Look for Admission discounts with Toronto CityPASS. \*\*\* Located at 2000 Meadowvale Rd., Hwy 401 & Meadowvale Road (40 minute drive).

[www.thetorontozoo.com](http://www.thetorontozoo.com)  
Call: 416-392-5929  
[www.torontocitypass.com](http://www.torontocitypass.com)



### Edwards Garden

Edward Gardens features colourful floral displays, rock gardens, butterfly gardens, theme gardens, secluded pathways and picturesque bridges over Wilket Creek, which is home to geese and ducks. Edwards Gardens are also the home of the Toronto Botanical Garden. \*\*\*Located at 755 Lawrence Avenue East. Take TTC Subway from Union Station to Eglinton Station (11 stops/15 mins) - then take the #54A Bus east to Starspray (23 stops/15 mins).

[www.edwardsgardens.org](http://www.edwardsgardens.org)

Call: 416-397-1341



### Riverdale Farm

Tour the Farm's scenic 7.5 acres along pathways through wooded areas, around ponds, and into butterfly-herb-flower-vegetable gardens. Visit the farm animals and chat with the farmer during daily chores. Riverdale Farm is located in a park setting in the heart of the downtown community of Cabbagetown. \*\*\*Located at 210 Winchester Street. Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to College Station (4 stops/4 mins). Then take #506 Carlton Street Car eastbound (8 stops/9 mins) to Gerrard St. E. at Sumach St. Walk 6 mins to Winchester.

[www.toronto.ca/parks/featured-parks/riverdale-farm/](http://www.toronto.ca/parks/featured-parks/riverdale-farm/)

Call: 416-392-6794



### High Park

High Park is Toronto's largest public park featuring many hiking trails, sports facilities, diverse vegetation, a beautiful lakefront, convenient parking, easy public transit access, a dog park, a zoo, playgrounds for children, a couple of eateries, greenhouses, picnic areas, a bunch of squirrels and various events throughout the year. \*\*\*Located at 1873 Bloor Street West. Take the TTC Subway from Union Station to St. George Station (6 stops/8 mins). (St. George is a Transfer Station). Take the "Bloor Subway Line" Westbound from St. George Station to High Park Station (9 stops/11 mins). The Park's north entrance is a 2 minute walk.

[www.highparktoronto.com](http://www.highparktoronto.com)

## GOLF

### Golf Courses

Ontario has an abundance of courses for all levels of players. OntGolf.ca is Ontario's leading online golf course guide and part of the Canadian Golfer network of Canadian golf course guides. The link provides a comprehensive Online Golf Course Guide dedicated exclusively to the golf courses in and around Ontario's major centres and throughout the rest of the province. Visit [www.ontgolf.ca](http://www.ontgolf.ca). If you don't have the time to visit the site, here are a couple of popular courses:



### Wooden Sticks Golf Club

Wooden Sticks Golf Club is a public course featuring 12 golf holes inspired by famous US and UK holes from the PGA (eg. the famous road hole from St. Andrews, Scotland). The inclusive package includes carts, snacks, practice facilities and two meals with regular green fees. \*\*\*Just a 45 minute drive from Union Station/ACC. Located at 40 Elgin Park Drive, Uxbridge, Ontario.

[www.woodensticks.com](http://www.woodensticks.com)

Call: 905-842-4379



### Glen Abbey Golf Club

Canada's most famous course has hosted the PGA Tour's Canadian Open a record 25 times. \*\*\*Just a 45 minute drive from Union Station/ACC. Located at 1333 Dorval Drive, Oakville.

[www.clublink.ca](http://www.clublink.ca)

Call: 905-844-1800



### City of Toronto Golf Courses

Want something close by? Toronto's City run golf courses are a challenge for players of every skill level. The green fees are reasonable, with reduced rates for juniors & seniors, a 9-hole morning rate off the back nine, a twilight special for early evening players and now a Family Night every weekend. Easily accessible by public transit. Choose from 5 courses. Special rates & clinics are available for Junior & Senior players. Discounted green fees are offered for early bird and twilight golfers. Call for details.

[www.toronto.ca/parks/prd/golf/index/htm](http://www.toronto.ca/parks/prd/golf/index/htm)

Dentonia: 416 392-2558

Don Valley: 416 392-2465

Humber Valley: 416 392-2488

Scarlett Woods: 416 392-2484

Tam O'Shanter: 416 392-2547

## SPORTS FANS



### Hockey Hall of Fame

Home of the Stanley Cup, the Hockey Hall of Fame features state-of-the-art games, interactive exhibits, larger-than-life statues, replica dressing room and rink zone, theatres and hockey's most precious artifacts.

\*\*\*Located at 30 Yonge Street. A 5 minute walk from Union Station/ACC.

[www.hhof.com](http://www.hhof.com)

Call: 416-360-7735



### The Toronto Blue Jays

The Toronto Blue Jays play 81 home games at Rogers Centre from April to September. With the biggest trade in baseball history with the Miami Marlins, this season will be awesome for the Jays!

Mon July 1: Jays vs. Detroit Tigers (1:07pm)

Tue-Fri July 2, 3, 4, 5: Jays vs. Detroit Tigers (7:07pm)

Sat July 6: Jays vs. Minnesota Twins (1:07pm)

Sun July 7: Jays vs. Minnesota Twins (1:07pm)

\*\*\*Located at the Roger's Centre, One Blue Jay Way, a 15 minute walk west on Front Street from Union Station/ACC.

[www.bluejays.com](http://www.bluejays.com)

Call: 416-341-1234



### Toronto FC

Canada's first major League Soccer team plays in BMO Field at Exhibition Place. MLS is the top professional soccer league in North America. The season runs from April-November. Stay tuned for the 2013 schedule!

Located at 179 Princes' Blvd., BMO Field, Toronto.

[www.torontofc.ca](http://www.torontofc.ca)

Call: 416-350-4625



### Honda Indy Toronto

The Honda Indy will be in Toronto from July 12-14th. If you are planning an extended stay in Toronto, then this is a must-see event! Located: Exhibition Place, Toronto.

[www.hondaindytoronto.com](http://www.hondaindytoronto.com)

Call: 416-588-7223

## THEATRE & CONCERT VENUES

*Wicked, Dirty Dancing, Jane Eyre, Crazy for You, Les Misérables, RENT, Momma Mial, Miss Saigon, Beauty and the Beast, The Lion King and the The Sound of Music, Rock of Ages, Pricilla Queen of the Desert, The Producers, Phantom of the Opera - these are just a few of the fabulous productions seen in Toronto theatres. We are anxious to see what the 2013 theatre season will bring... Show schedules for the 2013 season have not yet been released, so stay tuned!*

Ed Mirvish Theatre - Call: 416-593-0351 [www.mirvish.com](http://www.mirvish.com)

Panasonic Theatre - Call: 416-872-1212 [www.mirvish.com](http://www.mirvish.com)

Princess of Wales Theatre - Call: 416-872-1212 [www.mirvish.com](http://www.mirvish.com)

Royal Alexandra Theatre - Call: 416-872-1212 [www.mirvish.com](http://www.mirvish.com)

Sony Centre for the Performing Arts - Call: 416-872-2262 [www.sonycentre.ca](http://www.sonycentre.ca)

Elgin / Winter Garden Theatres - Call: 416-314-2901 [www.heritagetrust.on.ca/EWG/Home.aspx](http://www.heritagetrust.on.ca/EWG/Home.aspx)

Four Seasons Centre - Call: 416-363-6671 [www.coc.ca/AboutTheCOC/FourSeasonsCentre.aspx](http://www.coc.ca/AboutTheCOC/FourSeasonsCentre.aspx)

Second City - Call: 416-343-0011 [www.secondcity.com](http://www.secondcity.com)

Toronto Centre for the Arts - Call: 416-733-9388 [www.tocentre.com](http://www.tocentre.com)





### TIFF Bell Lightbox

The TIFF Bell Lightbox is home to diverse programming such as the Sprockets International Film Festival for Children, Cinematheque Ontario, a year-round screening program, and the largest collection of English-language Canadian film ephemera and its Film Reference Library. Inside, visitors gather in a three-storey public atrium, 5 public cinemas, 2 galleries, 3 learning studios, a centre for students and scholars, a bistro, a restaurant, and a lounge. \*\*\*Located at 350 King Street West. 15 minute walk from Union Station/ACC.

[www.tiff.net](http://www.tiff.net)

Call: 416-599-8433



### Fringe of Toronto Theatre Festival

If you're extending your stay in Toronto and love local theatre, Toronto's largest theatre festival with 145+plus productions from Canada and around the world will take place from July 4-15, 2013. Every style of show, plus a special venue for Kids. Free entertainment, prizes and dancing at the Fringe club.

[www.fringetoronto.com](http://www.fringetoronto.com)

Call: 416-966-1062



### Massey Hall

The grande dame of local music halls - which has been a part of Toronto's music history since 1894 - Massey Hall offers programming including pop, rock, classical and contemporary music. June/July 2013 performers soon to be announced! \*\*\*Located at 178 Victoria Street, 16 minute walk from Union Station/ACC.

[www.masseyhall.com](http://www.masseyhall.com)

Call: 416-872-4255



### Roy Thomson Hall

This concert hall presents top international performers and is home to the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, Toronto Mendelssohn Choir and Toronto International Film Festival Gala screenings. June/July 2013 performers soon to be announced! Located at 60 Simcoe Street. 11 minute walk from Union/ACC.

[www.roythompsonhall.com](http://www.roythompsonhall.com)

Call: 416-872-4255

## NIAGARA FALL & WINE COUNTRY



### Niagara Falls & Casino Niagara

Book a tour or rent a car and drive 90 minutes West from Toronto to see one of the Seven Wonders of the World. Ride under the falls on the "Maid of the Mist", take a helicopter ride over the Falls or ride the rapids on a Whirlpool Jet Boat - Don't miss this spectacular sight. Just a short distance to Casino Niagara.

[www.seetorontonow.com](http://www.seetorontonow.com) [www.casinoniagara.com](http://www.casinoniagara.com)

Visit Tourism Toronto to see which Niagara Falls tour will suit you and your family.



### Wineries of Niagara-on-the-Lake

Nestled below the Escarpment - a landscape of vineyards and orchards that stretches to the picturesque Niagara River parkway and the shores of lake Ontario-26 distinctive wineries are located just minutes from each other, the best of Ontario wine country. Visit the website for touring itineraries, trip planning tools and events. \*\*\* Located 1 hour and 40 minutes West from Toronto.

[www.wineriesofniagaraonthelake.com](http://www.wineriesofniagaraonthelake.com) Call: 905-934-1372 or visit [www.seetorontonow.com](http://www.seetorontonow.com)

## FURTHER INFORMATION

**AND THERE'S MORE!** If you are keen on learning more about what's available in the Greater Toronto Area and surrounding region, please visit [www.seetorontonow.com](http://www.seetorontonow.com).

If you are more of a people-person and would rather speak to a live Tourism Toronto representative, please call 416-203-2500 or toll free 1-800-499-2514 (Mon-Fri: 8:30am-6:00pm Eastern Time).

Remarkable Reservations, a subsidiary of Tourism Toronto, will be happy to assist you in booking packages and attractions. They have travel specialists that are very knowledgeable about Toronto and the surrounding areas.

The number above also has recorded messages on general info on the city. Follow the prompts and you can find:

Future Events (1); Theatre & Performances (2); Special Events (3); Sports (4); Things to do around the City (5); Traveling Info regarding passport, weather, exchange rate (6)

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**We hope this was helpful and really hope you will come and visit us!**

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