



Green...

- Small town, rural charm
- Friendly, caring people
- Ferguson Forest Centre
- Trails: 150 km of them
- Limerick Forest
- University of Guelph-Kemptville Campus
- Agro-Forestry Centre
- Roundabouts
- Rideau Heritage Route
 - Rideau Canal/South Branch
- Ryan's Well
- Farmers' Market
- Canadian Model Forest Network
- Eastern Ontario Model Forest
- New Official Plan includes sustainable growth strategies:
 - Protection of wetlands
 - Reduced reliance on automobiles
 - Protection of groundwater resources
 - Sustainable forestry & agricultural practices
- Active Chamber of Commerce

North Grenville's green and growing approach is good for tourism investment

Breathe the country air. Take a leisurely walk. Invest in the friendly, small-town atmosphere of North Grenville – one of eastern Ontario's fastest growing communities!

With an abundance of natural and heritage assets and attractions, North Grenville is poised as the perfect day-trip destination for tourists and visitors.

In fact, from the traveling family to the leisurely explorer and the avid adventurer – they're coming already. Visitors seeking an authentic distinctly small-town/rural experience find it here in North Grenville – just minutes south of Ottawa, the Nation's Capital, along the historic Rideau Canal waterway (a UNESCO World Heritage site).

"We chose Oxford Mills because of its roots in Canadian pioneer history – within commuting distance to Ottawa. North Grenville is becoming a terrific community for families to grow and develop."

Cheryl Mackie, Owner, Brigadoon Restaurant, Oxford Mills

Day-trippers are discovering the pleasures of shopping and dining in historic Old Town Kemptville. Those looking for local food (from organic produce to butter tarts), local drink and local entertainment won't be disappointed.

One can tour along the Rideau Canal from Burritt's Rapids to Beckett's Landing, or travel the back roads to take in some of our other villages and rural scenery. You'll find festivals, 150 km of walking tours, heritage sites and structures, garden and wildflower tours, unique shops, fine dining, and country roads to cycle with friends and family.

North Grenville is part of the Rideau Heritage Route, with 25 km of the Rideau Canal flowing along the northern border. From headwaters to the south, the South Branch of the Rideau travels through hamlets and villages such as Bishop's Mill and Oxford Mills, until it flows into picturesque Old Town Kemptville on its way to join the Rideau. North Grenville is becoming a recreational, heritage, arts and culture destination, especially within the National Capital Region.

The intermingling of arts, culture, downtown shops, passive and recreation opportunities, waterfronts, and the area's abundance of heritage and natural landscapes are part of North Grenville's unique destination brand. These positive attributes are enhanced by the presence and drawing power of the Ferguson Forest Centre and the University of Guelph Kemptville Campus.



Brigadoon Restaurant, Oxford Mills

Overview

- > Over 150 km Trail system available to tourists and residents to enjoy.
- > Prized destinations, including the Rideau Canal, (a UNESCO World Heritage site), Limerick Forest, historic Oxford Mills, Burritts Rapids and more.
- > Our town, villages and hamlets are rich with history, galleries, artisans, farmers' markets, shopping, antiques and restaurants.
- > Accommodations include quaint B&Bs.
- > Festivals and events – including those in the Municipal Centre – draw over 400,000 people a year.
- > Sports, recreation and entertainment facilities house a variety of programs and activities
- > Hwy 416 travels through the Municipality, connecting to Hwy 401 to the south, and Hwy 417 to the north.



Location and Transportation

North Grenville offers great market access – situated just minutes from Ottawa, and only a few hours from international destinations Toronto and Montreal. Hwy 416 provides easy access to the Nation's Capital to the north. And to the south lie Hwy 401, the St. Lawrence/1000 Islands corridor and the US border. The Rideau Heritage Route connects the area to an entire network of tourist travel throughout eastern Ontario, by road and water, from Kingston to Ottawa.

The Right Environment for Tourism Investment

North Grenville has a high percentage of its workers – over 20% – in the retail and service sectors. In addition, government programs are available to develop and provide customized training suitable for specific tourism businesses. The North Grenville Chamber of Commerce has consistently promoted tourism in the area and is a strong voice of business in the community. Several facilities are available to support larger-scale tourism events, including the Municipal Centre, plus the University of Guelph – Kemptville Campus. The campus hosts one of the community's largest Canada Day celebrations, and is ideal for business meetings, tours, conventions, trade shows and seminars.

Invest in our Green and Growing Community

Entrepreneurs wishing to join this well-educated and growing community will find a selection of suitable spaces around the municipality, or in the newly revitalized downtown core of Old Town Kemptville. Many heritage buildings have been renovated. Many new buildings have been constructed to complement the style of Kemptville's 19th century origins.

If you have an idea for a tourism opportunity talk to our staff. We can help make your venture a success.

