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MONTREAL'S PUBLIC MARKETS LAUNCH THEIR SUMMER SEASON

Local fruits, vegetables and flowers, plus exciting new vendors



Montreal, April 30, 2025 – Montreal's public markets officially switch to summer mode this Saturday, May 3! Starting this weekend, visitors will enjoy the full-size versions of Atwater, Jean-Talon and Maisonneuve markets, along with the Neighbourhood and Solidarity markets. They'll find local flowers, fruits and vegetables, savour the markets' many prepared food options and discover some delicious new arrivals. The warm season is also the time to participate in a variety of events and workshops for every age and taste.

“Warmer days are here and I invite all Montrealers to visit their favourite markets regularly to enjoy them in all their richness and diversity. Our public markets are more than places to shop, they're community hubs where each visit is a chance to get together, meet our dedicated farmers and artisans, and directly support local food and farming businesses. Come taste our most delicious food, take part in our workshops and special events, make new memories with your friends and family, and indulge yourself with some of the delicious new offerings appearing this year. Enjoy your visit, and enjoy your culinary adventure!” said **Nicolas Fabien-Ouellet, General director of the Société des Marchés publics de Montréal.**

Eating local made easier, thanks to our public markets

With the arrival of beautiful spring days, farmers return to their outdoor stalls at Montreal's public markets, in anticipation of a full season of bountiful new crops. Fiddleheads and asparagus launch the growing season, followed by a tantalizing parade of colours and flavours – blueberries, raspberries, corn, cucumbers, strawberries, tomatoes, eggplants and much more. Eating local has never tasted better! This year is also the fifth edition of the Kiosques de la Relève, an initiative that allows agri-food start-ups to introduce their products to Montrealers.

Meanwhile, **Maisonneuve Market** turns Saturdays into musical gourmet gatherings with the return of its [lively outdoor zone](#). Every Saturday from May 3 to October 20, this iconic market in the city's east end features fun gatherings of farmers, restaurateurs and culinary artisans, accompanied by great music.

A city of flowers, thanks to Montreal's public markets

Starting May 3, the public markets will also welcome horticulturists and their countless flowers and seedlings. Their overflowing stalls are a wonderful testament to Montrealers' passion for beautifying their surroundings. All summer, merchants will be delighted to guide visitors through their extensive offerings. Their expert advice will allow everyone to find the right plants to transform their balcony, patio and garden.

New taste sensations at the Atwater and Jean-Talon markets

Atwater and Jean-Talon markets will once again feature delicious ready-to-eat fare, including several new permanent restaurants and the opening of their seasonal restaurant zones and terrasses.

- **Atwater Market** welcomes two new businesses: Aylwin Deli, which will delight visitors starting in June with iconic Montreal smoked meat sandwiches and a selection of dishes to go, and Atelier Cookie par Caro with decadent homemade cookies. Under the big tent of the Pôle des Saveurs, visitors will find a delicious and diverse set of options served up by Ave Greene, Aylwin Barbecue, Ca Lem, Falafel Yoni, Layla's, Le Petit Sao, Léché Desserts, Margot Bar à Jus, Satay Brothers and Sushi Shop.
- **Jean-Talon Market** features three new gourmet concepts including 3 Pierres 1 Feu restaurant by renowned chef Paul Toussaint. The restaurant will serve Caribbean fusion cuisine with a Montreal and Texas barbecue twist. Les Filles Fattoush are opening their first permanent storefront in June, serving a selection of hot mezze and Middle Eastern products. Finally, the well-established fishmonger Les Délices de la Mer is opening a small restaurant with seafood dishes to eat in or take home. The restaurant zone will be busy with the return of ten establishments: Bouffe-moi ! CASA Poutine, Mangue et Melon, Mazorca MTL, La boîte aux Huîtres, La Crêperie du Marché, Les Filles Fattoush (whose stall will now serve Syrian street food), Loumi, Panda Restaurant and Roxy Focaccia.

[Full details on this summer's food offerings](#)

Event program announcement

All summer, the markets will celebrate our excellent local agri-food industry with some major events, receptions and workshops including Festiv'été édition piquante, which will celebrate all things hot and spicy on **Saturday, July 5**, and the Foire des vins et cidres d'ici, showcasing local wine and cider on **August 9 and 10**, both at Jean Talon Market.

Oktoberfest will also be back at Atwater, Jean-Talon and Maisonneuve markets, putting local microbreweries front and centre. **Free summer events at Jean-Talon Market** are also returning. Each Saturday from June 7 to October 19, there will be all kinds of activities such as cooking, gardening and art workshops for all ages. Come one, come all!

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About the Société des Marchés publics de Montréal

The Société des Marchés publics de Montréal is a social economy enterprise responsible for the planning, development and operation of Montreal's public markets. Its mission is to improve access to fresh food through a network of public markets that brings Montrealers closer to local farmers and agri-food businesses. Since 1993, it has been mandated by the Ville de Montréal to manage the Atwater, Jean-Talon and Maisonneuve markets, six Neighbourhood markets and three Solidarity markets. It is a non-profit organization governed by a board of directors composed of five merchants and five residents of the Montreal urban agglomeration. Its membership includes nearly 200 merchants active at the public markets. The Société's network of public markets is frequented by more than three quarters of Montrealers, with more than 3 million visits annually.

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