



Fairmont
LE CHÂTEAU MONTEBELLO

Fairmont Hotels & Resorts' Green Partnership Program

In 1884, Fairmont Hotels & Resorts was founded on an enduring connection to the land and communities where we do business. In 1990, we proactively launched our industry-leading Green Partnership program, a comprehensive approach to reducing our impact on the environment. This commitment to minimizing our hotels' footprint on the planet is a key component of our operating philosophy, which is formalized in our Environmental Policy.

The Green Partnership allows Fairmont to meet and exceed guest expectations of operational sustainability and responsible tourism, because the environment isn't just something that's "out there"—it's where we live, work and play each day.

Fairmont's Green Partnership focuses on improvements in the areas of energy and water conservation, waste management, and innovative community outreach programs involving local groups and partnerships—please read below for this hotel's initiatives that operate under the Green Partnership program.

Leadership Through Innovative Programs

Eco-Meet: Fairmont's Eco-Meet program offers planners the opportunity to minimize the ecological footprint of meetings and events through the reduction of waste and conservation of valuable resources. The program can be tailored to the individual needs of the client through four key components—Eco-Accommodation, Eco-Cuisine, Eco-Service and Eco-Programming.

At Fairmont Le Château Montebello:

- We participate in Fairmont's Meetings that Matter program
- The resort along with Environment Canada's Biosphere helps kids understand the importance of preserving the environment through its Bio-Kit and A Bug's Life program.

Carbon Management Program: Fairmont has introduced an Energy and Carbon Management Program in support of our Climate Change Strategy, that allows us to monitor, track, and report on our progress toward achieving significant CO₂ reductions at all of our locations worldwide. We also partner with like-minded companies who provide products and services that improve our operational efficiencies. These proactive steps will reduce carbon output and help mitigate the effects of global warming.

Greening our Greens: All Fairmont-managed golf courses are enrolled with Audubon International Cooperative Sanctuaries, an organization which sets guidelines for an international system of wildlife and environmental conservation. Through our participation, we have developed an extensive integrated management plan for ongoing improvements to our golf courses called “Greening Our Greens”. The program offers practical ways for our courses to make positive changes, while working toward the larger goal of achieving certification from Audubon International.

At Fairmont Le Château Montebello, grounds naturalization projects include:

- Reducing pesticide use
- Water Conservation and Water quality management
- Wildlife & Habitat management
- Outreach and education through the resorts’ 3 kilometers walking trails with interpretation panels providing current knowledge on the region’s flora and fauna.

Green Cuisine: Fairmont is committed to purchasing local, organic, Fair Trade and sustainable food products wherever possible, including utilizing organic or biodynamic wines, local purveyors and on-site herb gardens.

At Fairmont Le Château Montebello:

- Executive Chef, Serge Jost, takes pride in cooking with the fresh herbs he grows in his garden
- Local and in-season regional cuisine is served where possible
- We serve organic beverages such as Fairmont’s Tea Collection

Waste Management

Paper, packaging and garbage are a reality of our lives, and of any business. Fairmont has consistently cut these side effects of our operations. While effective waste management comes with challenges, such as operating in communities without recycling facilities, we continue to reduce and divert waste and identify other eco-friendly opportunities.

Initiatives at Fairmont Le Château Montebello include:

- Recycling Bins in place throughout the hotel
- Organic waste diversion in the hotel’s kitchens/composting is used for our gardens
- Integrated Pest Management Program
- Recycling Program for Electronic Waste
- Reduction of Paper Volume
- Kitchen Grease Recycling Program
- Purchasing Initiatives
- Redistribution of household goods to those in need

Energy and Water Conservation

To conserve energy and cut greenhouse gas emissions, Fairmont has introduced compact fluorescent light bulbs where possible. Most hotels now have water-efficient showerheads and tap aerators, and we continue to replace all toilets that have a flush capacity over 2 gallons (7.6 liters). Guests can do their part by choosing to participate in the towel and sheet exchange program offered at all Fairmont properties.

At Fairmont Le Château Montebello, energy and water conservation projects include:

- Lighting Retrofit & Other lighting efficiency projects are in place at 95%
- HVAC- heat recovery & retrofits; our six sided fireplace features heat recovery units reducing the hotel wood consumption by 50% annually.
- Engaging Colleagues / Other Energy initiatives
- Installation of water saving devices: low-flow shower heads in all guestrooms, sensors on all public area urinals and a water retention basin for the indoor pool
- Irrigation of grounds with water from the river
- Chemical Reduction

Partnerships and Affiliations

Our affiliations highlight our commitment to the environment, and also help promote unique Fairmont eco-experiences. The growing number of partners and associations who share our vision include The World Heritage Alliance for Sustainable Tourism, WWF (Climate Savers Program), The International Tourism Partnership, The Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation, The United States Environmental Protection Agency (ENERGY STAR® program), The Hotel Association of Canada (Green Key Eco-Rating Program) and the National Geographic Society.

Local projects are tailored to address environmental issues specific to the hotel's location, and showcase each Fairmont 's unique environmental strengths and connection to their community.

On a local level, Fairmont Le Château Montebello partners include:

- Community Initiatives such as tree planting with local school students
- Donations of goods to Maison du Réveil in Lachute
- Purchasing of Local/Organic food (goat cheese from the Floralpe Farm in Papineauville, deer from Maison du Chevreuil in Boileau, bison from Takwânaw farm, seasonal vegetables etc.)

Awards & Accolades

Fairmont Hotels & Resorts' Green Partnership Program continues to be recognized by a number of international organizations including the World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTC), World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), *Ad Age* and *Strategy* magazines.

Fairmont Le Château Montebello has received the following certifications/ratings:

- HAC Green Key Eco Rating (4 Green Keys)

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