



# heritage villages

*In a little more than an hour you can  
go back a hundred years*

## unique towns



HEADWATERS  
**Towns & Villages**

Bolton • Caledon East • Erin • Hockley  
Orangeville • Shelburne • Violet Hill





In the moonlight, a ghostly cloud glides overhead, trailing a long white veil. The wind puts down the leaves and stops to watch... White feathers fall in a soundless sigh. Snow used to be fun. Remember?

You'd slide downhill, make snow angels and build forts. Then thaw your nose in hot chocolate steam with a marshmallow stuck to your lip. We remember.

In the *Towns and Villages of Headwaters* you can slide down our hills on skis, tubes or toboggans; take our trails on skis or snowmobiles; walk beside silent pines; then dig in to hearty soup and hot chocolate to thaw out again.

Our snow is what you see on Christmas cards... paperweight snowflakes that put ermine collars around the trees and comforters on every branch. We'd love to share it with you. We're just out your back door.

Spend a day in the Towns and Villages of Headwaters. We'll help you decorate for the Holiday. We'll show you the one-of-a-kind Christmas gift for the one-of-a-kind person you're shopping for. We'll serve you meals that will stick to your ribs or dazzle your taste buds. We'll make you laugh, or cry or reminisce in our beautifully restored theatres... and sing along to the songs that carollers used to bring to your front door when the evening brought snow.

Stay the night. We'll make you welcome in our many inns and B&Bs. Curl up in front of a crackling fire... carry that beautiful warmth to your cozy bed... and watch the snow outside your window sift softly down.

white feathers fall



Homemade treats from our village bakeries



Horse-drawn ride in Orangeville

Snow falls in an evening on Broadway, and plumps up the cars that are parked there. The warmth of the season spills from store windows and someone is humming a carol. In the windows above the stores, a Christmas tree shines back at the night sky. Blink and for a moment you could be looking back a century or more... the streetlamps could be gaslights and the heritage buildings new.

*Orangeville revels in its history...* but the town lives in the world today.

ancient trees

We celebrate art with galleries and studios, people and creatures carved out of tree trunks and hand painted banners on the streetlamps, created by artists who live in our community. We celebrate food with cozy cafes, bakeries and candy makers, food that's fast and hot... and in extraordinary restaurants that bring the world's cuisine to your table or fuse sumptuous creations of their own. Whether you're craving an experience or just plain hungry, we will feed you.

We don't just listen to music we play it. You'll see people carrying fiddles and bagpipes, bodhrans and sitars, even a digeridoo. We'll set your toes tapping. Our artists and artisans will buy the materials they need in one store and sell their creations in another. We'll inspire you with hand made wonders.

Orangeville, we celebrate nature and history with ancient trees, a planted median down Broadway that tells the story of our town... by acknowledging heritage homes, churches, court and municipal buildings. This season when you visit friends, take a hostess gift from Orangeville. Buy a gift for an artist, gourmet, naturalist, decorator, historian, artisan, thespian, or musician. You can... in Orangeville.

Laugh or cry or marvel with us in our Opera House theatre. Sing along with a choir. Wait with your kids for Santa at the end of the parade... enjoy the best of the season in Orangeville.

warmth of the season



Snow-lined street in Downtown Orangeville



Snow blankets historic Shelburne

A Window Wonderland celebrates the *magic of the season in downtown Erin*. On Friday November 17, at precisely 6 p.m. bells in the church steeples ring out and that joyous tone echoes 'round the village. At that moment, merchants from one end of town to the other draw back the curtains and welcome Christmas... their windows sparkling with the season. Each has a different view – bakery, fishmonger, book store, gourmet and decorator shops, hardware stores, ice cream parlour, grocery store... all see Christmas in their own ways... and the downtown walk is magical.

At the centre of town, a Christmas tree competes with the stars in the indigo sky. That special night continues with hot chocolate and warm apple cider, hotdogs and cookies... Santa to start visions dancing in children's heads... and carols sung just loud enough so no one notices you're singing off key. Come take a peek at our merchants' views of Christmas. Their shops are open until 8 p.m. and are filled with Christmas treasures.

Growing industry *breathes change into Shelburne* but the best of our winter remains the same. Lighting the downtown tree... Santa Claus parade... hot coffee, cozy blankets, kids craning to see what's coming. The best way to watch a parade is reflected in your child's eyes. Bring your kids. Let us give you some new-old gift ideas... serve you a hearty lunch... share with your family all the fun of winter. You'll want to come back in the summer... because under the snow, Fiddle Park is waiting and will bloom with concerts and soccer games, picnics and camping, fun everyone enjoys.

The usual end of Airport Road is the airport... but this road continues, past the noise and stacked houses... north into the heart of the Hills of Headwaters. The climb begins in the *beautiful trees at Caledon East*. From here you can walk or ski the rest of the way along the Caledon Trailway. Pick up a coffee, quick lunch or gourmet repast. You can stop and shop from the butcher, the baker or maybe find a candle or two...

peek at merchants



Erin's Window Wonderland

revel in the cold

or look for a special gift in the artist's studios nearby... and visit Brenda Newton's Clay Studio to buy or build a porcelain treasure for Christmas.

The Humber River that flows through *the valley of downtown Bolton* carries hints of wilderness. This season's blanket of snow promises winter fun in the rugged Albion Hills a few kilometres north. Cars festooned with sleds and skis and toboggans climb the hill to revel in the cold. Before you join them, make sure you're well fed and warm. There's free parking just to the east of the main intersection. Look around. The shops in the resurrected heritage buildings can show you some luxury to wear to bed tonight, frames or other creations to save the photographs of your adventure.

Some say *Hockley is the village* time passed by. That's wonderful. We'd rather think in seasons, than nanoseconds. Hiding in Hockley offers some of the region's best dining. Take time to savour every taste. West, along the Hockley Valley Road, From Closet-to Closet Country Store and Cafe invites you to wonder at the skill of local artisans and be tempted by coffee and treats. Nearby Farmhouse Pottery works timeless magic in ancient clay in a log studio. You don't have to hurry. Stay the night in comfort at The Stream Bed and Breakfast. Come to Hockley... and leave your watch at home.



Come sit by the fire at Mrs. Mitchell's

*Violet Hill is a country hamlet* steeped in history. Established in the late 1850's it once served as a postal village. In the centre of Violet Hill are two historic landmark buildings. The first is Mrs. Mitchell's. Once a one room schoolhouse it is now a restaurant serving fine country fare with warm hospitality. Join us for our Williamsburg Christmas Season and enjoy the beautiful open hearth fireplace. Open for lunch, tea and dinner. The other landmark is Granny Taught Us How, a country emporium filled with practical, the unusual and hard to find gifts. A shopper's paradise!

take your time



Nature's wreaths grow all around us

### BEST WESTERN ORANGEVILLE INN & SUITES

7 Buena Vista Drive, Orangeville 866-216-1988 [www.bestwesternorangeville.com](http://www.bestwesternorangeville.com)

The premier hotel in Orangeville, conveniently located at Hwy 10 and Hwy 9, perched on the hill overlooking downtown. Our all suite property offers a quiet refuge for the business traveler and a relaxing atmosphere for vacation getaways. We offer a variety of rates and packages. Our professional staff and warm hospitality await you.

warm hospitality

### ERIN COUNTRY INN & CONFERENCE CENTRE

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An elegant country mansion nestled on 13 acres of wooded privacy in the rolling hills of Erin, Ontario. No matter the season, Erin Country Inn's tranquil atmosphere will provide the perfect backdrop for your corporate conference, wedding, party or weekend getaway. Come visit with us, enjoy the Christmas season, and our decorations throughout.

rolling hills

### THEATRE ORANGEVILLE

David Nairn - Artistic Director

87 Broadway, Orangeville 800-424-1295 [www.theatreorangeville.ca](http://www.theatreorangeville.ca)

'TWAS By Eric Woolfe November 30 to December 23

The true story of Christmas like you've never heard it before!

In a fantastical world inhabited by elves and icy empresses and where one magic book can unlock the key to making any toy in the entire world, the destiny of a young cat burglar called Crimson Nick is revealed.

christmas show



### HOCKLEY VALLEY RESORT

R.R.1 Orangeville 416-363-5490 [www.hockley.com](http://www.hockley.com)

This holiday season...getaway. To Hockley Valley Resort. A mere 45 minutes north of Toronto, this Jewel in the Valley is sure to provide you with many beautiful memories of the 2006 Festive season. Sunday Brunches, Christmas parties, Winemaker's Dinners and exquisite menus from Christmas through New Years complete the Festive Season packages. Gift Certificates? We have the perfect gift for that special someone. Spa packages, golf getaways, ski passes and overnight stays - all at a wonderful price, perfect for gift giving. Call us at 416-363-5490 or visit [www.hockley.com](http://www.hockley.com) for more information. Hockley Valley Resort, So much. So close. So right.



### THE MILLCROFT INN & SPA

55 John Street, Village of Alton, Caledon 800-383-3976  
[www.millcroft.com](http://www.millcroft.com)

Located in the historic Village of Alton, The Millcroft Inn & Spa is an oasis of tranquility just outside Toronto's back door. Guests of The Millcroft enjoy a refreshing blend of rural serenity and sophisticated hospitality, featuring 'Four-Diamond' accommodations and cuisine, and a broad range of relaxing treatments at its extraordinary Spa - all of which make great holiday gift ideas. While relaxing, guests can enjoy great shopping at the shops and galleries in the towns of Alton, Erin and Orangeville - just mere minutes from The Millcroft. Upon arriving you will instantly understand why The Millcroft Inn is THE Definitive Country Retreat.

exquisite menus



definitive retreat

# wonderland

## EVENTS

**Every Saturday until Christmas, 1pm to 3pm**  
Brenda Newton Clay Studio · Window World Creations

**Friday, November 17th**  
Erin's Window Wonderland

**Friday, November 24th**  
Downtown Orangeville Annual Tree Lighting & Moonlight Magic Celebration

**Friday, November 24th and Saturday, November 25th, 10am to 5pm**  
Farmhouse Pottery 30th Annual Christmas Show

**Friday, December 1st and Saturday, December 2nd**  
Shelburne Annual Christmas Tree Light  
(Friday) & Santa Claus Parade (Saturday)

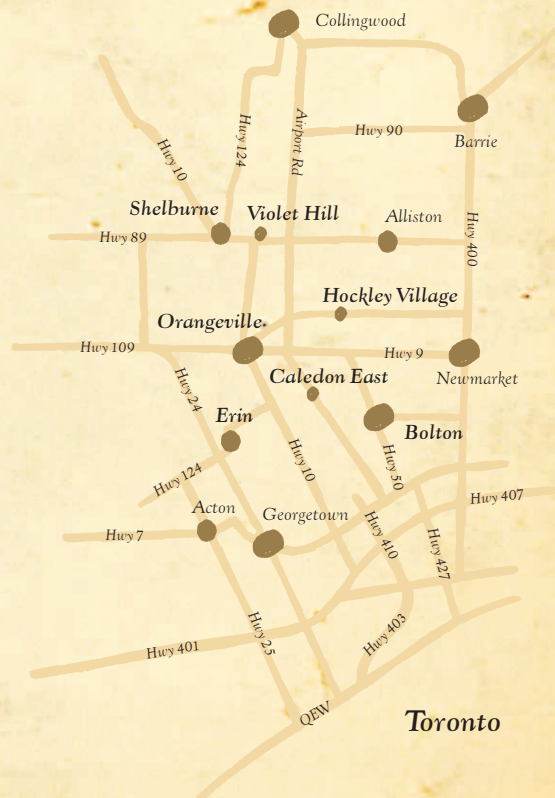
**December 1st to January 7, 2007**  
Mrs. Mitchell's Restaurant  
Williamsburg Christmas Season

**Wednesday, December 6th**  
From Closet to Closet ·  
Natural Wreath Making Workshop

**Sunday, December 31st**  
Downtown Orangeville  
First Night New Year's Eve Celebration



*One-of-a-kind creations  
in Caledon East  
(Brenda Newton Clay Studio)*



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IN THE HILLS OF HEADWATERS**  
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# tree light