



QUEBEC



Fact Sheet

Test your knowledge! See if you can fill in the blanks below.

1. The capital city of Quebec is _____.
2. Quebec is located east of _____ and west of _____.
3. Quebec's provincial bird is the _____.
4. Quebec's provincial flower is the _____.



Quebec

Snowy

Blue Flag

Owl

Iris

Atlantic

Canada

City

Ontario

Mapping Quebec

Label the capital city of the province. Next, research Quebec's topography and colour the map accordingly!



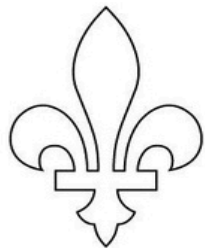
Fly the Flag



The provincial flag of Quebec was introduced on 21 January, 1948. The flag's key features include:

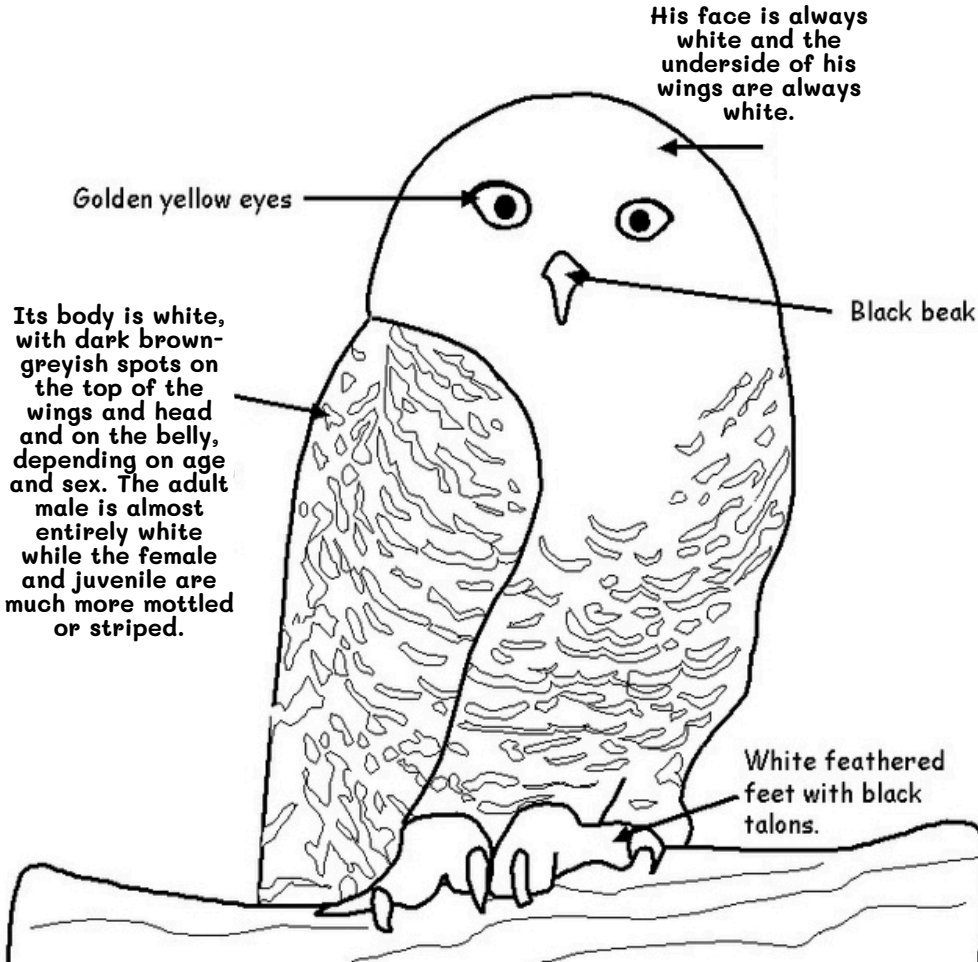
- White cross from the ancient royal flags of France
- white fleurs-de-lis: symbol of purity
- Blue field: symbolizes heaven
- The white fleurs-de-lis and the blue field come from a banner honouring the Virgin Mary

Your turn! Recreate Quebec's provincial flag, using the flag above to guide you.

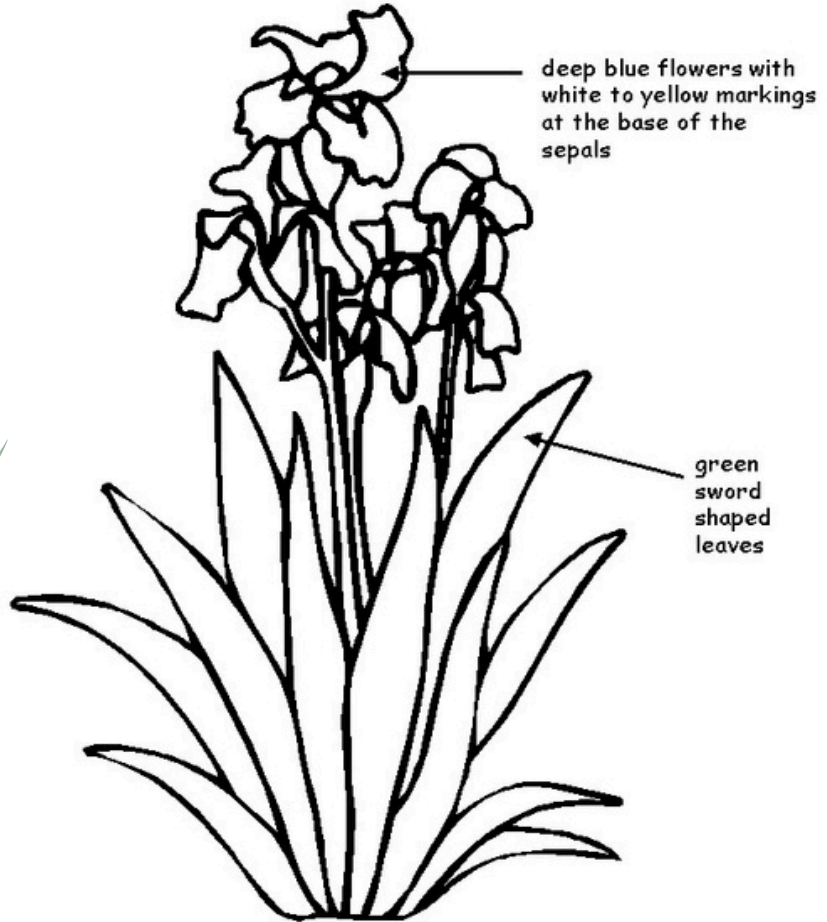


Provincial Fauna

The provincial bird of Quebec is the Snowy Owl.



Provincial Flora



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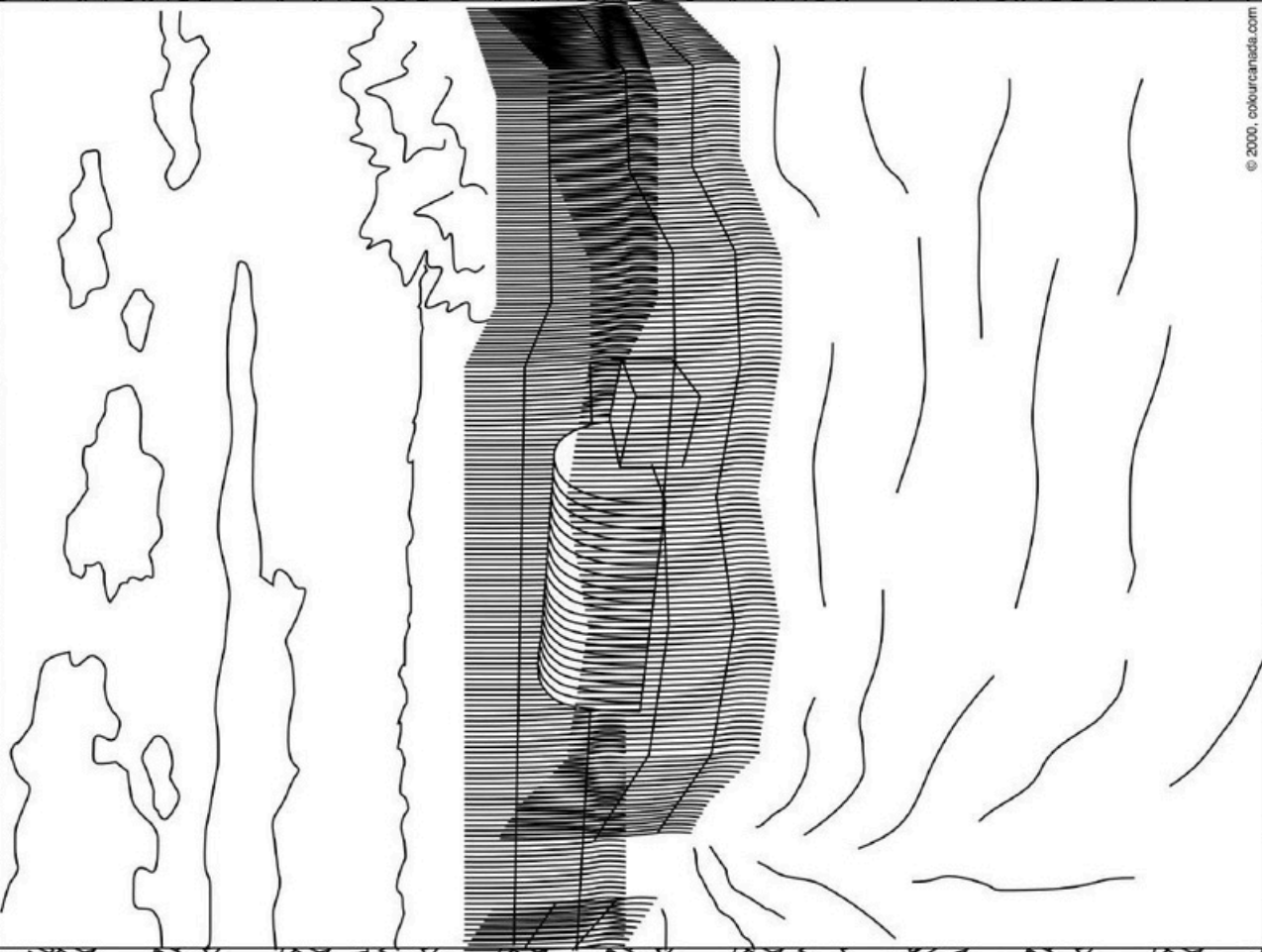
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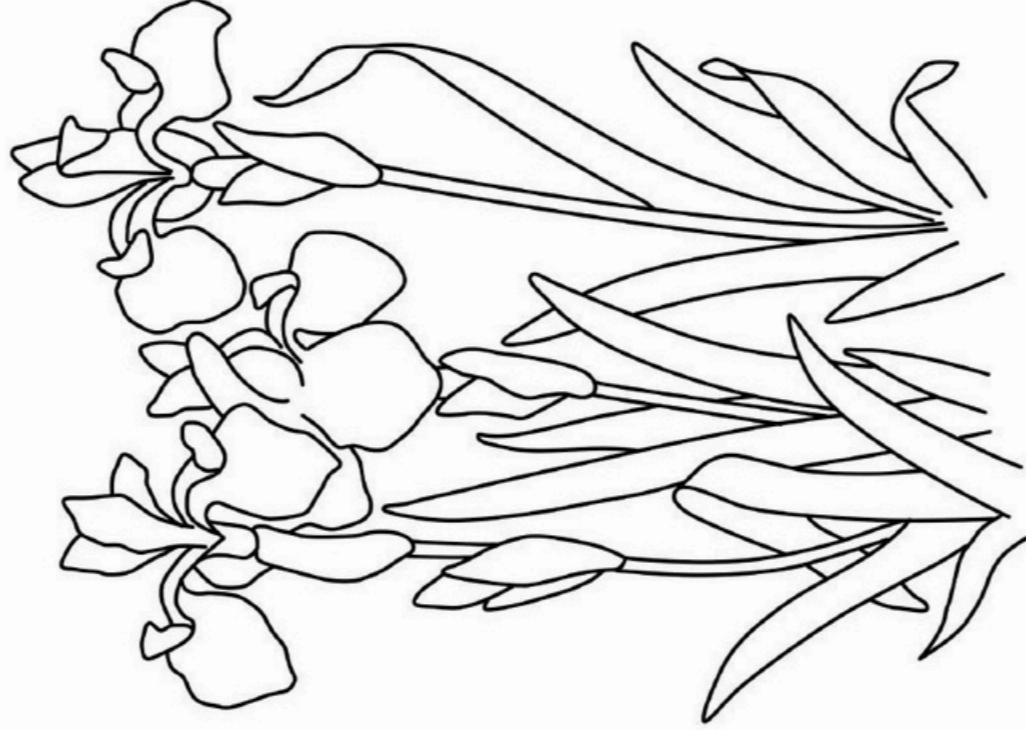
Cartier Brebeuf: Commemorates the period in 1535-1536 when Jacques Cartier and his shipmates wintered near the Iroquoian village of Stadacona. This National Historic Site also recalls the establishment of the first residence of the Jesuit missionaries in Québec, in 1625-1626.



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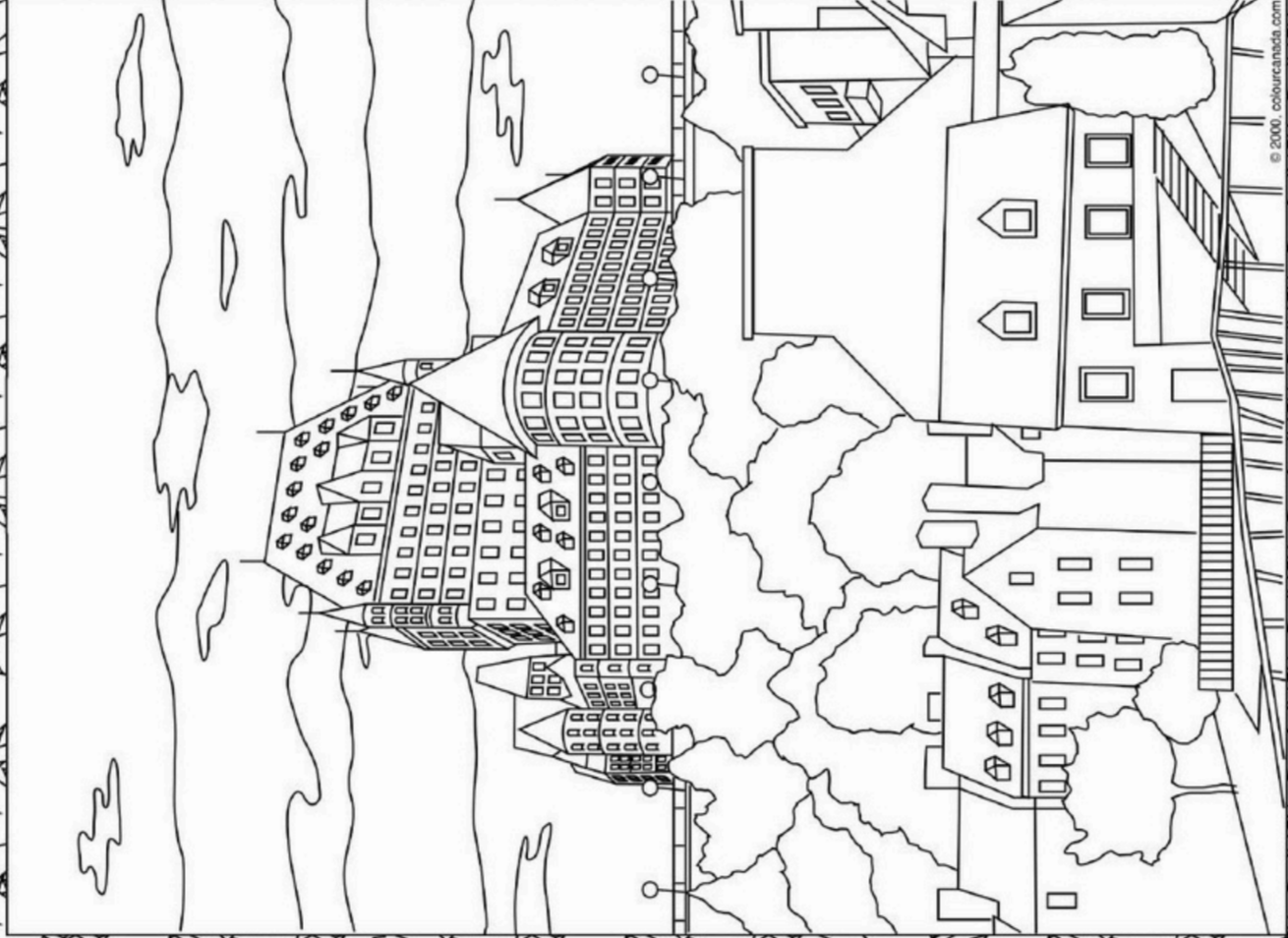


Blue Flag: Since 1999 the blue flag has been Quebec's floral emblem. The blue flag is a spring flower that grows on over half of Quebec's territory. The Madonna lily (or heraldic fleur-de-lis) is the flower image that appears on the Quebec flag.



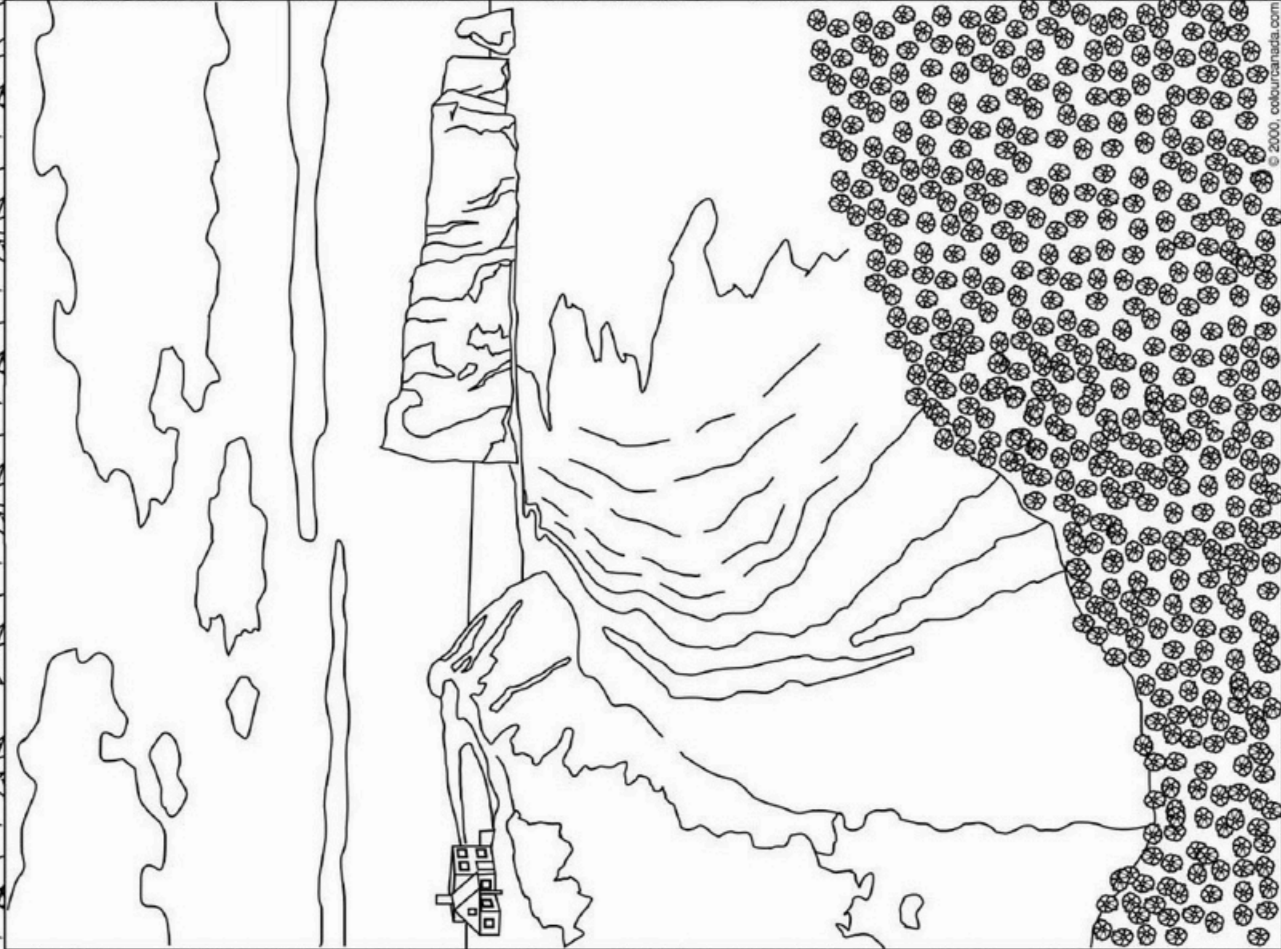


The Chateau Frontenac : Overlooking the St. Lawrence River. The most recognizable landmark in Old Quebec. Built in 1893, it's the most photographed hotel in the world. Its location on Cape Diamond commands a beautiful view of the St. Lawrence River with the town of Lévis on the opposite bank.



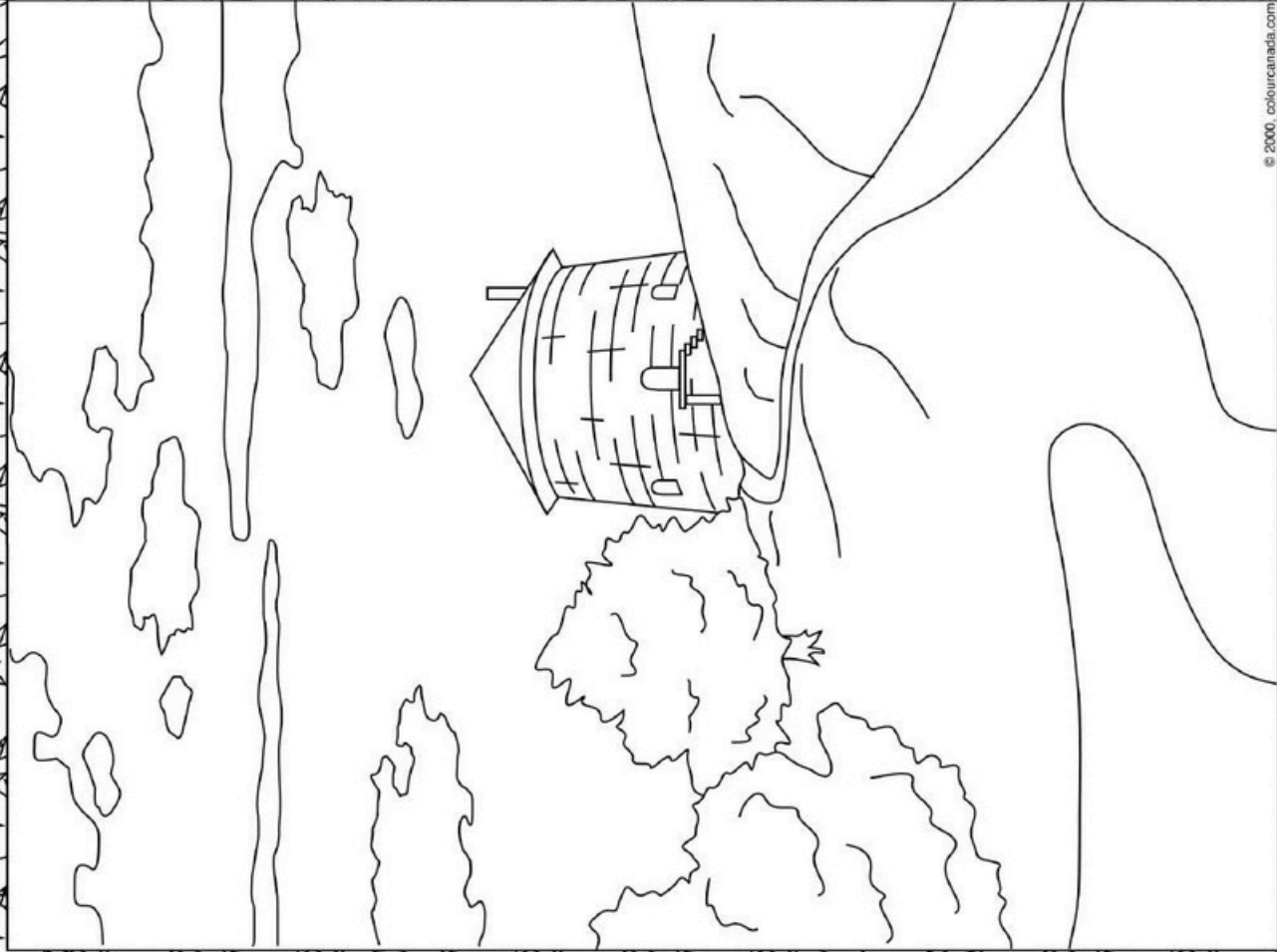


Percé, Gaspésie, Quebec: First visited in 1534 by Jacques Cartier, Percé is now a fishing port and summer resort. Offshore, but connected by a sandbar at low tide is the famed Rocher-Percé (Pierced Rock), a rocky island 88m high that is pierced by a 18m high arch. Population (1991) 4 028.



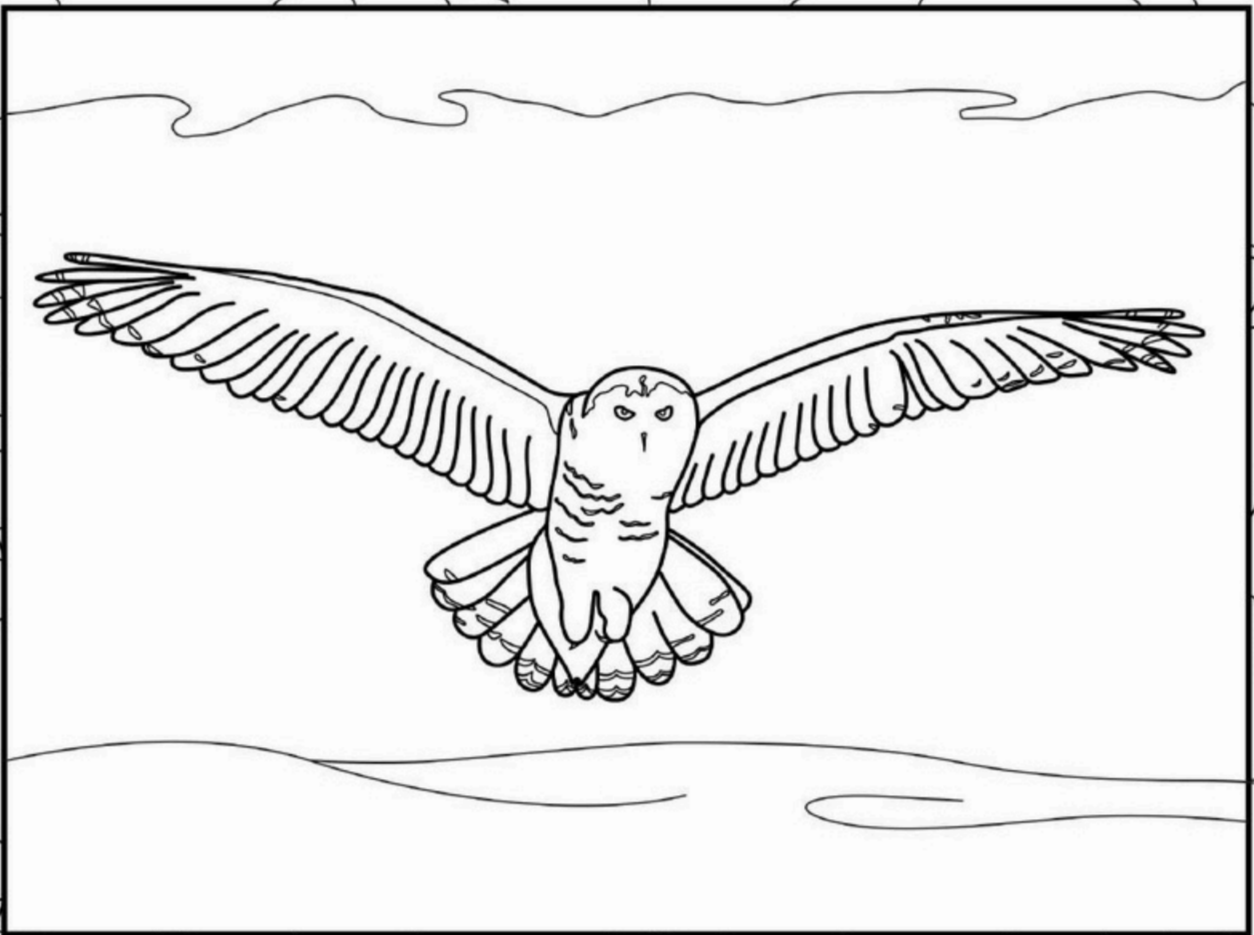


Plains of Abraham: The plateau was the scene of a battle (Sept. 13, 1759) between the French and the British which secured Quebec for the British. Named for Abraham Martin, a ship's pilot who formerly owned part of the land, the plains are now a national historic park.





The snowy owl has been Quebec's bird since 1987. They nest in the far north but can be seen farther south during the winter months. These big birds can be up to 70 cm long with a wing span of up to 150 cm. The males are all white but the females have some black markings like the owl pictured here.





Quebec's Flag: This flag is also known as the "Fleurdelisé" because of the four French fleur-de-lis.
The white cross on a blue field is a reminder of an ancient French military banner.

