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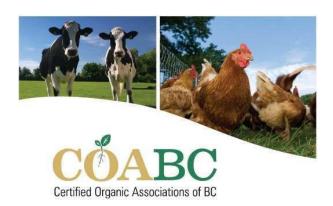


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The Ferme des Patriotes, a subsidiary of the Ferme St-Ours enterprise, produces organic eggs, with 40,000 laying hens producing traditional and Omega-enriched organic eggs that are distributed in Quebec and Atlantic Canada.

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Created in 1947, METRO INC is the only Canadian large food retailer (\$11 billion per year) whose head office is located in Quebec. METRO and its affiliated and franchise merchants hire over 65,000 employees in Quebec and Ontario, in a network of 600 supermarkets and 250 pharmacies. Applying a responsible approach, METRO seeks to go beyond its distribution role to be at the forefront of sustainable development by offering a broad range of organic fresh and processed products sold under national or private brands. METRO has formed a partnership with Equiterre in 2012 to allow Metro and Metro Plus stores to become drop-off points for local farmers' organic basket programs.



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As a member of the community of organic producers, the Pacific Organic Seafood Association (POSA), supports the Organic Federation of Canada in its efforts to refresh the organic standards through the Agriculture Standards Maintenance Project.

POSA members work together to improve organic aquaculture practices, and share best practices for the production, harvest, processing, marketing and selling of organic seafood products. POSA is proud to have been involved with developing the Canadian Organic Aquaculture Standard, which was published in May 2012. POSA members raise seafood using organic methods that protect the

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L'Union des producteurs agricoles

**The UPA** represents all Quebec farmers, as well as all forestry producers in the province. With 92 local groups, 12 regional federations, 130 unions and 26 specialized groups, the UPA is the only official body that speaks on behalf of all Quebec agricultural and forestry producers.

The UPA promotes, defends and furthers the professional, economic, social and moral interests of Quebec's agricultural and forestry producers, and helps improving social, economic, and cultural wellbeing in rural communities.

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All our products are gluten-free and most are also lactose-free. L'Ancêtre products are available across Canada in health food stores and grocery chains such as Métro, IGA and Loblaw. L'Ancêtre has approximately 50 staff.



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Ash Street's principal, Kelly A. Monaghan, is an accredited process inspector of the International Organic Inspectors' Association (IOIA) and works for numerous international certification bodies. She consults with companies of all sizes and is the Guelph Food Technology Centre's organic specialist.

Kelly is a sought-after trainer and has developed and facilitated training on organic certification and standards for various private and governmental bodies. She currently sits on the boards of the Canada Organic Trade Association, the Guelph Organic Conference Committee and is a Review Panel Member for OMRI Canada.



348 Danforth Ave Toronto ON M4K 1N8 http://thebigcarrot.ca/home/ The Big Carrot is a Canadian worker-owned natural food market (Est. 1983), specializing in organic, local and non-GMO products! We are proud to be Ontario's first organic retailer and founding members of the Non GMO Project.

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Through its certified organic blueberry production, the enterprise offers a range of products (including dehydrated blueberries, blueberry juice and blueberry concentrates), to supply the growing worldwide demand for health products.

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Specializing in production and processing of niche pork, duBreton markets about 20 certified organic products, from fresh meat and bacon to European style sausages, in Canada and USA. Inspired by family values, duBreton is evolving with a tradition of respect for the land, animals and consumers.



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Fruit d'Or specializes in processing small fruits, primarily organic cranberries and blueberries supplied by local producers. Owing to their high antioxidant level, blueberries and cranberries are prized for their scientifically documented health benefits.

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995, rue Marché-Central, Montréal (Qc) H4N 1K2 514 381- 8679 http://www.gaetanbono.com/en/ Fruits et Légumes Gaétan Bono inc. is a 30-year old family business that specializes in the import-export and distribution of fresh fruit and vegetables. In 2004, Fruits et Légumes Gaétan Bono started marketing organic produce, and now offers over 300 different organic fruit and vegetable varieties. The company's innovative logistics and transportation department ensures that organic products are handled in in separated refrigerated warehouses.

Organic products compose 15% to 20% of the business activities of Fruits et Légumes Gaétan Bono, and include fresh organic products from California, Quebec, British-Columbia and South America, depending on the season.



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Homestead Organics celebrates its 25th anniversary in 2013 on a mission to serve and develop organic agriculture. Homestead Organics serves hundreds of organic farmers and food processors in the organic grain value chain with seed cleaning, feed processing, grain marketing, organic farm supplies, and expert assistance for farmers. Tom Manley and the staff count on reliable standards and transparent certification to ensure the authenticity of organic food. The Company is a leader in organics in Ontario, Quebec, and Atlantic Canada. To demonstrate its values beyond organic products, the Company is also a certified B Corporation.

### MAISON ORPHÉE ---

905 Galilée avenue Québec (Québec) G1P 4G4 1 800-667-1530 http://maisonorphee.com/en/ Maison Orphée is a family business created in Quebec City in 1983. The company is a leader in the industry, and produced the first cold pressed culinary oils in Canada. At Maison Orphée, products are all produced from high quality fruit and grain. All our oils are produced through the patient work of pressing at slow speed, as this is the only process that allows the extraction of the best components from oilseeds. Maison Orphée consistently produce gourmet oils, mustards, vinegars and see salts characterized by a great taste, nutritional and the discovery of new culinary experiences.



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Created in 1977 and first certified as an organic processor in 1985, Meunerie Milanaise Inc is a leader in the Canadian milling industry. Meunerie Milanaise Inc sources grains from its own farm, as well as other producers from Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan, and even the US.

With the proliferation of micro-bakeries and the growing popularity of organic products in natural health food stores and supermarkets, the Meunerie Milanaise Inc continues to grow while ensuring that each batch meets consumer expectations, be they bakers, processors or consumers.



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The only business of its kind in Eastern Canada, Aliments Trigone Inc. has processed organic grain since 1984. 25 years before the local movement became popular, Aliments Trigone was created to service short supply chains such as health food stores, public and solidarity markets and local grain cooperatives in Quebec.

Aliments Trigone specializes in hemp, green and black buckwheat and verified non-gluten grain such as quinoa, amaranth, chick peas, green lentils and brown rice. Trigone's team is composed of 20 employees.

Processed grains are certified organic and undergo quality testing to ensure their compliance with Trigone's technical and qualitative standards.



https://www.omri.org/omri-canada

OMRI is a nonprofit organization founded in 1997. The OMRI Canada program supports the Canadian organic community by providing organic certifiers, farmers, processors, suppliers and gardeners an independent review of inputs intended for use in organic production. Acceptable products may carry the OMRI Canada or OMRI USA/Canada seal and appear on the *OMRI Canada Products List©*. OMRI also provides technical support and training for organic professionals.



Ontario Natural Food Co-op is a co-operative that has led the distribution of natural and organic food in the region since its inception in 1976.

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The Rachelle-Béry banners seek to be the organic and natural reference in Quebec. Located in the center of developing districts, the health food stores **Épiceries-santé Rachelle-Béry**, soon to number 10, offer certified organic meals cooked in-store, and a large variety of fresh organic produce (fruit, vegetable, meat, cheese). Bakery products with natural ingredients complete the selection.

Some twenty **Boutiques-santé Rachelle-Béry** offer supplements and natural bodycare products. Professionals trained at the Rachelle-Béry Academy recommend products through customized consultation services at the boutiques. Localized in food supermarkets, the Boutiques-santé Rachelle-Béry serve new customers seeking healthy solutions.



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