



VILLE DE | CITY OF WESTMOUNT

The city of Westmount is an affluent suburb in Montreal. It is located in southwestern Quebec, western Montreal. The population is around 19,931 (from a 2011 census). It was founded in 1874, known as “La Petit Montagne”, “Nôtre-Dame-de-Grâce” and “Côte-St-Antoine”. It was only named Westmount in 1895. The city is also the location of two Canadian Forces Primary Reserves. The Westmount Historical Association was founded in 1944 to encourage public awareness of the city’s history. Many of the buildings were designed by Robert Findlay (including the library, city hall and other public order buildings). Westmount was home to an enclave of wealthy Anglophones. At one point, it was the richest community in Canada. In the twentieth century, it was home to some of the wealthiest families, including the Bronfmans and the Molsons, which made the city a target of “Font de libération du Québec” terrorist bombings in the 1960’s, eventually leading to the October Crisis in 1970. In 2001, Mayor Peter Trent and the city council asserted the city as a designated Anglophone institution, stating it should not be merged with the francophone majority of Montreal. In January 1st, 2006, it became a borough of Montreal, but re-constituted as an independent city again in 2006.



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