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# CANADIAN HOME PRICES WRAP UP 2022: DOWN SLIGHTLY OVER PREVIOUS YEAR, BUT REMAIN ABOVE PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS

For the first time in more than a decade, the aggregate price of a home in Canada posted a year-over-year decline in the fourth quarter of 2022. According to the Royal LePage House Price Survey, the aggregate price of a home in Canada decreased 2.8% year-over-year to \$757,100 in the final quarter of 2022: the first year-over-year decline recorded since the end of 2008 during the global financial crisis.

Broken out by housing type, the national median price of a single-family detached home declined 3.7% year-over-year to \$781,900, while the median price of a condominium increased 1.4% to \$561,600.

"Canada's housing market closed out 2022 much as expected – with activity way down compared to the hypercharged state we became accustomed to over the better part of the last two and a half years – and home prices continued to show modest quarterly declines, with those declines steadily decreasing," said Phil Soper, president and CEO of Royal LePage. "While the red-hot market conditions we experienced during the pandemic real estate boom are behind us, there remains a fundamental

shortage of housing supply in Canada that cannot be offset by temporarily cooling demand."

While home prices declined on a yearly basis in the fourth quarter of 2022, it is worth noting that prices in the same quarter in 2021 were close to their peak, and remain elevated compared to pre-pandemic levels. High levels of employment, strong household savings, and growing household formation continue to support Canadian home prices.

"While demand has slowed in this rising interest rate environment, we know that many families waiting on the sidelines have the capacity to buy and have chosen not to, waiting for conditions to stabilize. Soon enough, these buyers will return to the market and will be met, once again, with the realities of low inventory and much competition," said Soper.

In its 2023 Market Survey Forecast released in December, Royal LePage projected that the aggregate price of a home in Canada will decrease a modest 1.0% in the fourth quarter of 2023, compared to the same quarter in 2022.



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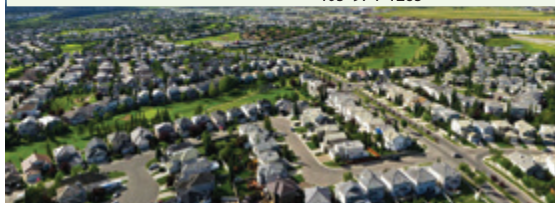
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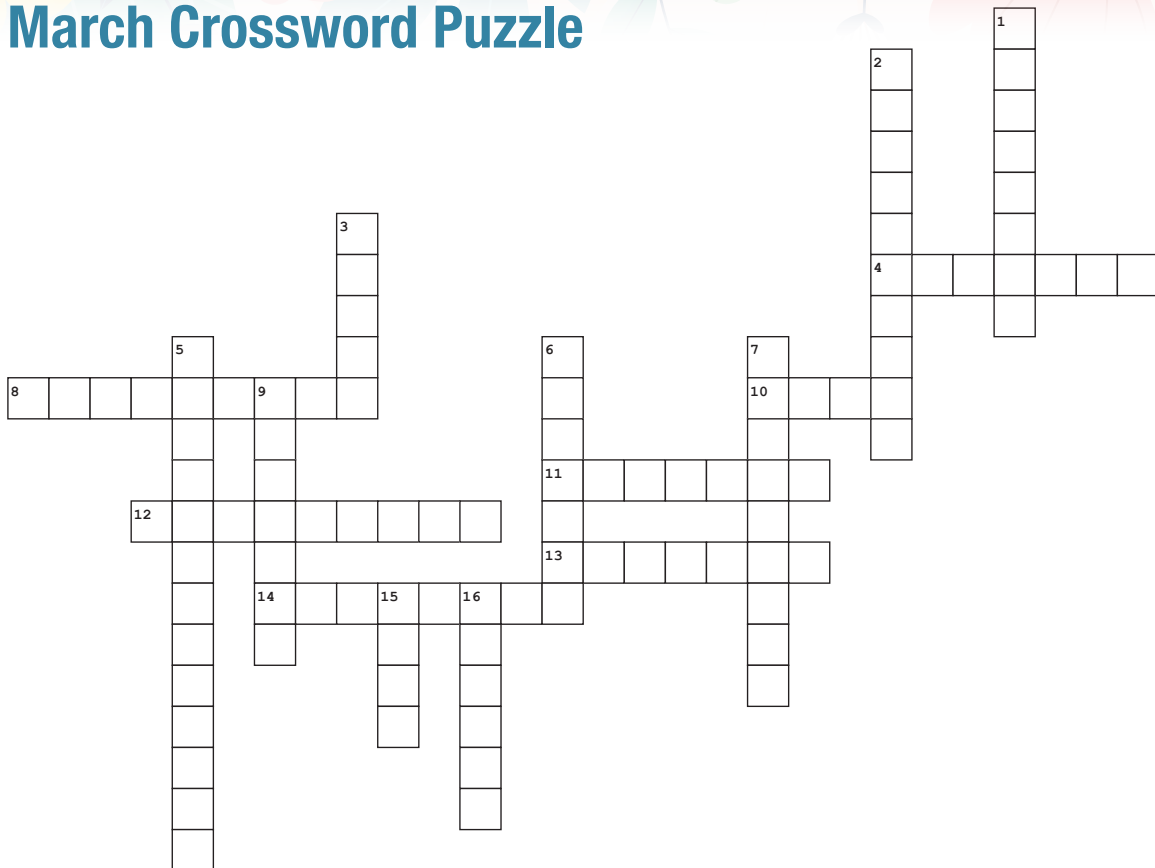
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# March Crossword Puzzle



## Down

1. March's birth flower
2. This best-selling French-Canadian singer was born on March 30, 1968
3. You get pinched if you don't wear this
5. Both a dessert and a celebration of mathematics that takes place on March 14
6. The saint most popularly associated with March 17
7. Popular chocolate and what you might find at the end of a rainbow
9. This children's author and cartoonist was born on March 2, 1904
15. Roman god of war who shares a name with this month
16. On March 25, 1990, Canada took home gold at the Women's World Hockey Championship in this city

## Across

4. This day signals the start of spring in the northern hemisphere
8. Born on March 27, this Calgary-born singer and songwriter is famous for her hit single "Insensitive"
10. On March 6, we celebrate this cookie's 111th birthday
11. According to ancient Greeks and Romans, this was believed to be a path from the gods
12. An important international holiday celebrating gender equality
13. Each March, this city's river is dyed green
14. Another word for a three-leaf-clover

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# Douglasdale Maintenance Association (DMA)

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## Graffiti

Our community has been very fortunate that it has experienced very little graffiti but when it does, action is taken to have it removed. The most recent occurrence was in October at the main entrance on the gazebo, electrical panel, and gate. The cost of removal was \$800, which represents revenue from 13 residences. These are funds that would otherwise be used for such things as flowers, fertilizing, mulching, etc., which improve the community.



If you see graffiti or vandalism, please report to 311 or email the details, with pictures, to [ddmaint@outlook.com](mailto:ddmaint@outlook.com). Should you witness acts of vandalism, call the police if that seems appropriate. Douglasdale is a very large community and we, as a volunteer board, do not have enough eyes to see everything, so it is important for all residents to be involved and do their part watching and reporting these incidents.

## Snow Clearing

Many residents have expressed concern about snow clearing on the streets and on pathways leading to and in playgrounds. Clearing snow from any of these areas does not fall under the Douglasdale Maintenance Association (DMA) Enhanced Landscape Maintenance Agreement (ELM) with the City. The ELM program only covers seasonal landscape activities and winter planters. We do not have any input into which public areas are cleared of snow by the City. If you have concerns, call 311 or contact the councillor for this area, Kourtney Penner. Her email address is [ward11@calgary.ca](mailto:ward11@calgary.ca) and her phone number is 403-268-2430.

## Did You Know?

The DMA does not have direct access to the funds generated by the tax levy. They are held by the City. When the DMA receives an invoice, it is sent to the City who releases the funds to us and then the vendor is paid. The DMA is monitored and held accountable by the City.

The DMA cannot hire an outside contractor to apply herbicide. The City is advised where we wish to see herbicide applied. They will do an assessment, decide if an herbicide application is necessary, then provide a cost estimate. If the DMA wants to proceed, the City sends trained personnel to apply the herbicide. No other contractor is allowed to do this work.

The Board of Directors for the DMA is made up of five Douglasdale residents who are volunteers.

## AGM

Mark your calendar. The Annual General Meeting will take place March 22, at 7:00 pm, at the Eagle Quest Golf Club. This is a great opportunity to ask questions, to learn about the DMA, and for the DMA to hear your concerns, thoughts, and ideas.

## Emails of Appreciation

Thanks to everyone who has taken time to send an email expressing your appreciation for what the DMA does. Following is an example.

Dear All:

I want to take a moment to thank you all for the extraordinary work you do to increase and maintain the beauty of Douglasdale.

My husband Dennis and I have been living here for just over a year now. When we drove into the area to look at purchasing our home, we were taken aback by how lovely the whole area is.

The gorgeous arrangements of flowers in the boulevards, the stunning trash cans...who has such lovely places to throw dog poop bags, I say? The way the Ridge is maintained and all of it.

I know that all of you have busy lives and from our perspective your gift to all of us is greatly appreciated.

Gratefully,

*Dennis and Kate Wiedrick*



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Matthew is an assistant professor and Canada Research Chair in Aquatic Environments at the University of Lethbridge. He has studied the ecology of lakes, rivers, wetlands, and coastal environments across North America, and is currently Associate Editor at Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences. Matt's research focuses on understanding how human activities impact our precious water resources in southern Alberta. Free for Friends members and \$10 for non-members. Registration required. To register visit [friendsoffishcreek.org/event/watershed](http://friendsoffishcreek.org/event/watershed).

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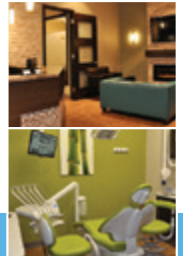
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## Two Sides

by Jennifer Puri

They say there are two sides to everything, and this is particularly true of side dishes.

A side dish refers to a smaller portion and can add vitamins, minerals, nutrients, and flavours that you may not get from the main dish.

Garden or fruit salads, sautéed or roasted veggies, mashed potatoes or couscous, corn on the cob or garlic bread; all of these are side dishes that excite our taste buds and can in some cases serve to soak up sauces and gravies.

French beans and rainbow carrots are available to be enjoyed year-round. They pair well with grilled, baked, or roasted chicken, meat, or fish entrees.



### Glazed Rainbow Carrots

**Prep Time:** 10 minutes

**Cook Time:** 20 minutes

**Servings:** 4

#### Ingredients:

- 1 lb organic rainbow carrots
- 2 tbsps olive oil
- 2 tsps sugar
- 2 tbsps fresh thyme
- ¼ tsp salt
- 1 cup water

#### Directions:

- Peel and wash carrots and place in a large pan.
- Add water, olive oil, sugar, thyme, and salt and then cover and cook over medium heat until carrots are tender, about 10 to 12 minutes.
- Allow carrots to continue cooking another five minutes or until they are glazed and lightly browned.
- Serve immediately.



### French Beans with Red Pepper and Onion

**Prep Time:** 15 minutes

**Cook Time:** 15 minutes

**Servings:** 4

#### Ingredients:

- 1 lb French beans with ends trimmed
- 1 red bell pepper, thinly sliced
- 1 white onion, thinly sliced
- 2 tbsps olive oil
- 1 tbsp butter
- 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 1 tbsp lemon zest (optional)
- Salt and black pepper to taste

#### Directions:

- Cook French beans in salted water until tender. Then drain and set aside.
- Melt butter and olive oil in a pan and then add the red pepper, onion slices, and garlic, and sauté until tender.
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This kind of tremendous job growth and migration has been spurred by our government implementing policies that support Alberta job-creators. By cutting taxes, balancing the budget, reducing red tape, making life more affordable, and supporting pro-growth policies, we have re-established Alberta as a top destination for families and businesses to invest. We also have low taxes, no sales tax, and the cleanest land, air, and water in the world. We have a burgeoning venture capital sector, a booming film and television industry, world-class universities, affordable housing compared to other provinces, and affordable high-quality childcare.

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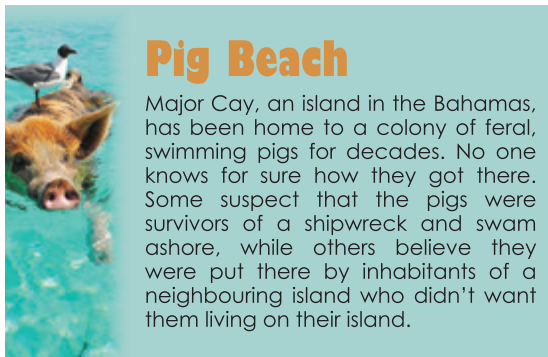
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Detached Home Stats - Last 45 Days



**15**

# New Properties



**7**

# Sold Properties



**58**

Average Days on Market



**\$614,142**

Median Sold Price

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Detached Home Stats - Last 90 Days



**3**

# New Properties



**3**

# Sold Properties



**26**

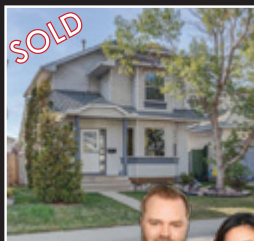
Average Days on Market



**\$547,166**

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