

# Lac des Sables in Ste. Agathe

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The Auberge du Lac des Sables in Ste. Agathe has been given new life by the owners of Lezvos restaurants.

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Remember the TV pitchman for Remington shavers? He liked the product so much he bought the company. That's how it went with two prominent Montreal restaurateurs who travelled to the Laurentians for a romantic evening.

Carmela and John Drymousis, owners of the Lezvos group of dining spots, went to dinner at a waterfront inn and were seduced by the mesmerizing view of the lake and the appealing backdrop of mountains. So, they spent the weekend. For two days, they revelled in the same alluring waterfront panorama, plus convenient accommodations with an indulgent double bath tub. Sold.

"The water was so blue, it reminded us of one of the Greek islands," said Carmela Drymousis.

"Maybe Crete," said her husband, John.

Maybe. But that azure sea actually was Lac des Sables in Ste. Agathe and the picturesque mountains were the Laurentians.

It wasn't the Mediterranean Sea, but there was an attraction at l'Auberge du Lac des Sables that they couldn't shake. So they purchased the place. Now the couple, who already have a big following at their Lezvos restaurants in Montreal and St. Sauveur des Monts, have opened a third dining spot, Lezvos-sur-le-Lac, the pride and joy of their new inn.

"We had no intention of going into innkeeping," said John Drymousis, "but it seemed a perfect

