

FROMAGERIE NOUVELLE FRANCE

Racine, QC

Distance from Concordia: 130 km

In 2009, brother and sister duo, Jean-Paul and Marie-Chantal Houde founded Fromagerie Nouvelle France, a dairy sheepfold and cheese dairy project. Each sibling brought unique skills to the artisanal cheese business. Jean-Paul was well-versed in milking and agriculture while his sister had acquired cheese training in France. The first wheels of cheese they produced were of their now well known Zacharie Cloutier cheese. In the decade that has since passed, Fromagerie Nouvelle France has won over 40 awards, including the Best Fromage Du Québec in 2011 and 2014 for Zacharie Cloutier.



Marie-Chantal and
Jean-Paul Houde

BOUCHERIE ÉPICERIE SOARES & FILS

Montreal, QC

Distance from Concordia: 3 km

Located just down the street from campus, in Montreal's Plateau–Mont–Royal, La Boucherie Épicerie Soares & Fils has been providing the city with authentic Portuguese and Brazilian specialities for over forty years. The business was founded by Julio Soares, a Portuguese immigrant, in 1970. Its founding helped connect the city's small but growing Portuguese community. Today, the grocery store and butcher is managed by Julio's granddaughters, Fatima Soares Mesquita and her sister Manuela Soares Mesquita. The family-owned store offers a wide variety of fruits, vegetables, meats and cheeses – but they are especially well known for their chouriço.

