

# Life on Mars

underground city redeposited

Earth no longer sustains human life. Overcrowding and congestion plagues cities. Humankind must become a multi-planetary species. Citizens of Montreal have volunteered by the thousands to brave a new colony on Mars. It will be prepared ahead of time by robots and drones. The first mass-launch occurs in the spring of 2063. History will call it "The Great Migration". Humanity looks in awe and marvels at the achievement. The Earth's population begins to enjoy a new era of peace and prosperity. This armada of spaceships traveling to Mars embarks on a one-way nine month journey. Those leaving will never return. Life aboard the ships is sophisticated and smart. Material and personnel are easily exchanged between the vessels. There is time to socialize and acclimate to the new surroundings. The first baby born in space is celebrated universally as an epochal moment in humanity's evolution. New colonies must be created. The Montreal Star Corporation brings the Old World to the New. Montreal's Underground City is transported to the surface of Mars. With it, Mars Base Alpha arises. The rich soil of the Martian planet is too valuable to cover with megastructures. The old Underground City is now elevated on piers. Massive machines exploit the mineral surface, turning Mars dust into building materials. Mont Royal is 3D-printed from the soil as a token of home. Earth-sick humans visit friends and family on Earth via robotic avatars. More cities begin the journey spaceward. Life on Mars... is like life in Montreal... but with a view.





