

THE TRADITIONAL ALGONQUIAN FAMILY

Way of life	> Nomadic
Social organization	> Small groups who follow the herds for hunting, most often families. The head of the family is the father. Some families group together in a band; all of the bands together form the Nation.
Transportation	> In summer, birch bark canoe > In winter, snowshoes; toboggan to carry objects
Habitation	> Wigwam: a shelter that is easy to build and carry. It is shaped like a cone or a dome.
Clothing	> In summer, clothing made of white-tailed deer skin > In winter, fur clothing worn on top of deer skin clothing > The clothing was made by the women, who decorated it with porcupine quills or moose hair embroidery
Food	> Products from hunting (e.g.: moose) and trapping (e.g.: hare) > Fish > Gathering berries, seeds and nuts
Celebrations	> Get-togethers for the maple syrup season or the wild rice harvest