

Fall Foliage Driving Tours 2024



October 9-13, 2024

Short Tour - Southern Garrett County; Approximately 1 hour, 5 minutes, Total distance - 32 miles

This self-guided driving tour will highlight the splendor of Garrett County's Fall Foliage in the Southern end of the county. While traveling along some of Maryland's Scenic Byways, you'll see the gorgeous colors of Fall everywhere you look. Take your time, drive a little slower and take in the beauty of Autumn! This route will also take you by the historic Fort Alice Walking Trail. In 1861, Fort Alice was constructed to guard a vital railroad crossing over the Youghiogheny River. An attack in April 1863 ended with the burning of the bridge and portions of the Fort being destroyed, shutting down the railroad for some time. Continuing your drive, you will also see the Mountain Lake Park Ticket Office Museum. This beautifully restored building contains historic artifacts relics from Mountain Lake Park; call ahead for days and times of operation. Along your drive thru Mountain Lake Park, you'll notice some stunning Victorian homes, some are even listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Directions:

- Start at Garrett County Chamber of Commerce/Visitors Center, 15 VISITORS CENTER DR., MCHENRY.
- Turn left onto Garrett Highway (US-219) (after pulling out of Visitor Center)
- Take the very next left onto Sang Run Road driving for 1.3 miles
- Turn left onto Hoyes Run Road traveling for 3 miles
- Turn left onto Oakland Sang Run Road for approximately 2 miles
- Turn right onto Swallow Falls Road for 2.5 miles continuing onto Herrington Manor Road for 4.5 miles
- Herrington Manor Road turns into W. Liberty Street, approximately .4 miles to the Fort Alice Trail.
 - Hike the Fort Alice Trail visiting the former site of the 88 Bridge.
- Continue on W. Liberty Street, turn left onto W. Center Street for approximately 0.5 miles.
- Turn right onto S. 3rd Street (Rt. 219) for approximately 0.5 miles.
- Turn left onto E. Oak Street (Rt. 219) and travel 1.5 miles.
- Turn right on G. St. (The historic Ticket Office Museum will be on the left)
- Turn back onto G. Street heading towards MD 135. Continue through the intersection and take the slight right onto Deer Park Avenue, traveling 0.25 miles.
- Turn right onto Pittsburgh Ave and head towards Broadford Lake Park, Recreation Lane.
 - Broadford Park features picnic areas, swimming, fishing and playgrounds.
- Head back towards Deer Park Avenue, turning right. Continue on Broadford Road for approximately 2.5 miles.

- Turn left onto Kings Run Rd, continue on this road 1.8 miles.
- Turn right onto US-219 N and travel 1 mile.
- Turn left onto Foster Road and travel 2 miles.
- Turn right onto Bray School Road, then a slight left onto Lake Shore Drive, traveling 3.66 miles.
- Turn left onto US-219 N. and travel approximately 2.8 miles.
- Turn left onto Visitors Center Drive returning to the Garrett County Visitors Center.

Note: Cell phone availability intermittent; GPS navigation units ok

Garrett County Fall Foliage begins in late September and peaks in mid-October

For more information call the MD Fall Foliage Hotline at 1-800-LEAVES1

For information on accommodations, restaurants, shopping, and things to do, call the **Garrett County Visitors Center at 301-387-4386** or follow the link at www.visitdeepcreek.com

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