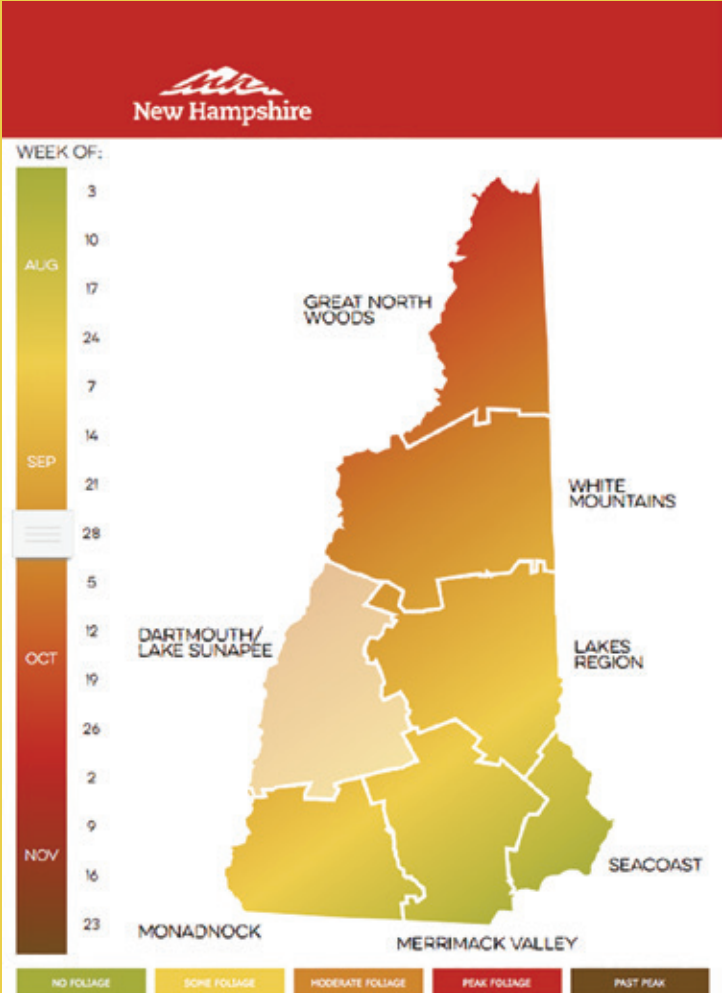




Amherst is Pretty as A Picture During Foliage Season



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WHITE MOUNTAINS Region

The colors are starting to come out around the White Mountains Region. Interstate 93 between Franconia and Campton is warming up, with gold tones dominating the landscape. A close look among the color and you'll see splashes of burgundy leaves. Around the Lincoln area more yellow, orange and russet tones are the predominant color here. Further north in the Shelburne, Gorham and Pinkham Notch areas sugar maples are aglow in orange! Enjoy a scenic drive on Route 49 to Waterville. There's also lovely color along Route 116 from Whitefield to Jefferson. Sabbaday Falls and Lower falls along the Kancamagus Highway are always perfect places to see foliage shimmering on the water. The pot of all colors is definitely stirring and as the cold nights continue, expect colors to continue to pop around the region. - See more at: <http://www.visitnh.gov/vacation-ideas/Fall/foliage-reports/foliage-white-mountains.aspx#sthash.IPsQXVRc.dpuf> LAKES REGION

Crisp fall air is helping bring fall foliage alive in the Lakes Region. Trees here are slowly starting to change to hues of orange, red, and yellow. Deep and dark red maples in the low lying areas are showing signs of change. The higher elevations are also beginning to show some color change. While the foliage is taking its time this year in the Lakes Region, drives along Routes 171 and 109 are always a delight! See more at: <http://www.visitnh.gov/vacation-ideas/Fall/foliage-reports/foliage-lakes-region.aspx#sthash.ZvYOSkM.dpuf>

DARTMOUTH-LAKE SUNAPEE region

Although summer green is hanging on in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region, there are reports of fall colors making an appearance along Interstate 89 through Sutton. The swamp maples and birches are leading the way right now, but with the cooler temperatures it will only be a matter of time before vibrant colors come out around the region in full force. Take a scenic drive in the Upper Valley this weekend along Routes 120 and 12A. The peculiar parade of pumpkin people are back decorating the roadsides! Last year there were more than 250 on display. Stop by a local store, get a map and see this seasonal sight! See more at: <http://www.visitnh.gov/vacation-ideas/Fall/foliage-reports/foliage-dartmouth-lake-sunapee.aspx#sthash.7pkcgBBP.dpuf>

MONADNOCK REGION

Autumn is beginning to make a splash in the Monadnock Region with bursts of color popping up in many areas. In addition to the yellow and orange tones beginning to appear, brighter shades of red leaves are developing in some of the larger trees. Magnificent Mount Monadnock is just beginning to show some colorful reds and oranges. A picturesque route in the region right now is Route 10 south from Keene through Winchester. Why not make a day of it? On Saturday Winchester is holding its annual Pickle Festival. An old-fashioned pickle themed town fair! Free pickles and lots of family fun for everyone! See more at: <http://www.visitnh.gov/vacation-ideas/Fall/foliage-reports/foliage-monadnock-region.aspx#sthash.1HrmzB2K.dpuf>

MERRIMACK VALLEY region

Fall foliage is scattered around the Merrimack Valley. Our leaf-peepers are reporting color slowing starting to come through. Bright yellows are the most vivid in the region right now on the birch and beech trees. Notice a patchwork of purples, oranges and reds developing in some areas. Sugar maples in low-lying areas are starting to blossom as well. Headed down Route 77 from Dunbarton towards Concord, you'll spot the swamp maples beginning to take on their blazing orange and red tones. Also, Route 101A through Amherst and Hollis is showcasing some brilliant oranges and reds, also in the swampy areas. See more at: <http://www.visitnh.gov/vacation-ideas/Fall/foliage-reports/foliage-merrimack-valley.aspx#sthash.7h5Y-hiiq.dpuf>

SEACOAST region

The change of seasons has started on the Seacoast region, but the change is progressing a little bit slower than years past. Our leaf-peepers are reporting green, with slight colors beginning to peak through. While the colors are still developing here, trees are starting to lighten up a bit which means more vibrant colors coming soon! Once the foliage really starts coming through be sure to take a drive down Route 1B into New Castle where the views will be nothing short of spectacular! - See more at: <http://www.visitnh.gov/vacation-ideas/Fall/foliage-reports/foliage-seacoast.aspx#sthash.urhLSHmf.dpuf>

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