



# EASTERN SIERRA FALL COLOR GUIDE

Dear Fall Color Leaf Peeper:

## Congratulations!

This fall color guide will help you discover and monitor elusive and overlooked fall colors in the Eastern Sierra quickly and easily. Many visitors read the information below and tell us they benefit greatly from it. Like other fall leaf peepers, you can benefit as well.

Basically, botanical experts will tell you that fall colors are difficult to predict any given year. Much depends on how low temperatures drop in the high country. Aspens have a biological clock geared toward day length and nighttime temperature. Typically with the weather getting warmer, it seems that fall colors in the high country now begin in early September, maybe a bit earlier. Generally, the first week or two of October is a good bet to come up for high country colors but there are no guarantees with nature.

Also, fall colors are not necessarily uniform in the Eastern Sierra. For example, fall colors may be at or close to peak color at one geographic location while another spot elsewhere may be just beginning to change color. For example, a place like Rock Creek Lake may have brilliant peak color while South lake is just beginning to turn color. Commit yourself to consistently check the information below and you will find beautiful photogenic fall color.

Typically, the trees lose their leaves later in October as color moves down into the valley extending the fall colors season into November. But, an Indian Summer can extend high country foliage longer. Wind plays a role as well in how fast the leaves drop.

Many fall leaf peepers read the fall color social media posts on our website and find the area's best color locations after reading them. The posts will enhance your experience greatly.



Here is the link to them: <https://www.bishopvisitor.com/tag/fall-colors-1/>

Most importantly, we recommend you monitor the progression of fall colors digitally on the websites below beginning by September 1st; then when color looks good at locations you desire to visit, drive up to the area immediately before the color ends. Experienced fall foliage guests use the following links which gives you real time fall colors information so you can come up when the colors are best:

<http://www.californiafallcolor.com/>

<https://www.monocounty.org/things-to-do/fall-colors/>

Attached is a link to our fall color guide which will be quite helpful to answering your questions:

<https://www.bishopvisitor.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/FallColorMap2017.pdf>

You may also like this link to a nice video about fall colors:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rwA1QVsbD6g>

We recommend you stop at our chamber office when you come to town to pick up a complimentary fall color guide in print and treasure map. It can save you some time since we attempt to keep up with fall colors as they change. We are located at 690 N. Main, in the A frame building across from Carl's Junior Drive In.

When you are here, take a few minutes to look at an awesome new book entitled California Fall Color. We have read it and it is outstanding! It guides you to the fall color locations along Highway 395, Yosemite, and around South Lake Tahoe. Fall color enthusiasts love this book. We have a display copy available for guests to review. If you need anything else, please let us know.

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