Nine Creative Ways to See North Carolina's Fall Colors

With the arrival of fall, the leaves are beginning to shade North Carolina in hues of burgundy, burnt orange and golden yellow. Starting with the lofty peaks in the north, color spreads to the south and east in a painterly wash before slowly fading into winter. It's an orderly progression, yet the timing is tricky. In any given area, the weather can rush or delay the peak, prolong the glory or cut it short. To help travelers map the season's trips, regional experts report on the foliage from the mountains to the Piedmont in weekly postings at VisitNC.com. And if your idea of fall color is red drum and bluefish, you'll find weekly reports on

coastal fishing with photos to back the boasts of a big catch. Here are nine creative ways to experience the season across the state from now to mid-November.

1) Rooftop Touring: After gazing at the vistas along the Blue Ridge Parkway, exit at U.S. 25 North in Asheville, N.C., for a different vantage point: the rooftop of America's largest home. This sight to behold is the high point of Biltmore's hour-long

2) Bear Hunting: As the harvest sun sets behind Whiteside Mountain, a bear-like shadow emerges from the colorful canopy for 30 minutes every evening from mid-October to early November. Catch the "Shadow of the Bear" from Rhodes Big View Overlook near Cashiers, N.C.

3) Ballooning: Drink in the view from hundreds of feet above

ground. Carolina Balloon Fest takes place Oct. 21-13 in Statesville, N.C., and individual operators such as Carolina Balloon Adventures take fliers soaring over vibrant woodland hills. 4) Farmers Marketing: Farmers markets offer distinct insights into regional flavors with selections of pumpkins, apples and greens. And the local color is dazzling at Wilmington's popular Riverfront Farmers Market.

5) Fishing: Cast a line along the coast at sunrise for a double photo op — one for the coral-colored sky and one for the giant red drum or speckled seatrout you could land.

6) Paddling: Go stand-up paddle boarding in the salt marshes along the barrier islands. The sport has an easy learning curve and big rewards with scenes of golden cordgrass set against the deep blue sky. 7) Whitewater Rafting: Under the leafy forest canopy, the

Nantahala River Gorge creates lasting impressions. Nantahala Outdoor Center near Bryson City, N.C., operates a world-class whitewater canoe and kayaking program.

Homecoming Parade Entries Accepted

In a release from the Anson High School Cheerleaders: Football season is in full swing which means Homecoming is just around corner. The Anson High Cheerleaders would like to invite you to participate in the homecoming festivities. On Friday afternoon October 12 we will hold our annual Homecoming Parade. We would like to invite you to be a part of our parade. You may walk, ride in a vehicle or design a float. If you choose to design a float your entry fee for the parade

will be waived. If you choose not to design a float there will be a \$30 entry fee. All floats will be entered in a contest for the best float. First Place will receive \$500, Second Place \$250, and Third Place \$100. We will also be giving three Spirit Awards. The Spirit Awards will go to the most spirited elementary school, middle school, and high school. Applications and entry fees are to be sent to Jennifer Buck-

ingham at Anson Early College, PO Box 126, Polkton, NC 28135. The deadline for all applications is October 5. Any questions please contact Misty Harris at 704-475-0742.

Also do not forget to come out and support your Anson High Bearcats that Friday night! The Anson Middle School, Anson Junior Varsity and Varsity Cheerleaders will all be performing and cheering on our Anson Varsity Football team in a match up against Marvin Ridge High School. You also will not want to miss the Anson High School Marching Band, Flag Squad or Majorettes! So come out and join us!

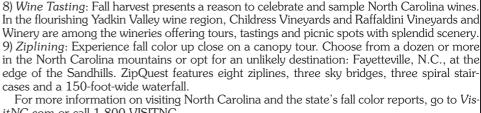
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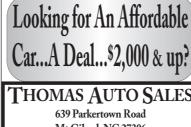
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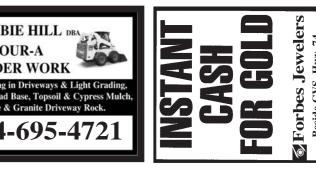
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