

The Santeetlah Lakeside Beginner's Guide to Leaf-Peeping Season

Activities	Early-to-Mid October	Mid-to-Late October	All October
Leaf-Peeping Drives: Paved Roads	Blue Ridge Parkway Between Waynesville & Cherokee Cherohala Skyway Higher altitudes	Cherohala Skyway Lower altitudes Snowbird Road Between Robbinsville & the Cherohala Skyway Moonshiner 28 From Tail of the Dragon past Fontana to Robbinsville Joyce Kilmer Road From Lake Santeetlah past Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest to the Cherohala Skyway	Tail of the Dragon (US 129) From Lake Santeetlah along the Cheoah River to Tapoco into Tennessee
Leaf-Peeping Drives: Dirt Roads (Suitable for most passenger cars)		Tatham Gap Road From Robbinsville to Andrews Farley Cove Road Around Lake Santeetlah	North River Road From Cherohala Skyway along the North River to Bald River Falls to Tellico Plans, TN Little Snowbird Road (Partially paved) From Snowbird Road along the Little Snowbird Creek to the dead end and back
Leaf-Peeping Hikes: Easy to Medium Difficulty	Hooper Bald From the Cherohala Skyway Huckleberry Knob From the Cherohala Skyway	Yellow Creek Falls From US 129 to the Falls	
Festivals* <i>*Check festival websites for event times and updates</i>		Stecoah Harvest Festival Stecoah Valley Cultural Arts Center	
Waterfalls in Full Autumn Splendor		Yellow Creek Falls Bald River Falls Blue Hole on the Cheoah River Bear Creek Falls on the Cheoah River	