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Forest County



Florence County



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LOCAL AREA EVENTS

JANUARY

Northwoods Social & Dance | Antigo

FEBRUARY

Annual Post Lake Ice Fishing Jamboree | Elcho
White Lake Fishing Derby

MARCH

St Patrick's Day Parade | Pickerel
Annual Keyes Peak uphill truck drag racing | Florence

APRIL

Easter Egg Hunt | Antigo, Crandon

MAY

Memorial Day Parade | Antigo, Crandon, Wabeno

JUNE

Dual Sport "Ride for Research" | Wabeno
Amsoil Championship Off Road Races | Crandon
Off Road Race Parade & Celebration | Crandon
Music in the Park (June-Aug) | Antigo

JULY

4th of July Celebration | Antigo, Crandon, Laona, White Lake
Langlade County Fair | Antigo
4th of July Parade | Antigo
Polish Heritage Days | Armstrong Creek
Kentucky Day Festival | Crandon
Relay for Life Cancer Walk | Crandon
4th of July Boat Parade | Crandon
Long Lake Picnic & Parade | Long Lake
Arts & Crafts Show | Wabeno
Steam Up Days & Parade | Wabeno
Fireworks over Fisher Lake | Florence
Car Show & Cruise In | Elcho

AUGUST

MC Country Music Festival | Antigo
Florence County Fair | Florence
Aurora Mud Runs | Florence
Laona Community Soup & Souper Run | Silver Lake
Roberts Lake Fisheree & Corn Roast | Wabeno
Street Dance / Family Fun Night | Wabeno
Elton Evergreen Day Celebration
Annual Car, Bike & Tractor Show | Long Lake
Annual Tater Trot | Antigo
Tri County National Night Out
Lakes & Leaves Bike Ride | Antigo

SEPTEMBER

Forest County Fair | Crandon
Oktoberfest | Antigo

OCTOBER

Optimist Halloween Costume Parade | Antigo
Halloween Celebration | Crandon
Annual ATV/UTV Charity Ride for Make-A-Wish Wisconsin | Antigo

NOVEMBER

Dirty Dog Dryland Derby | Pickerel

DECEMBER

Annual Chili Cook-Off | Antigo
Annual Christmas in Florence
Wabeno Winterfest

**Events are subject to change.*

ACCEPTING NEW PATIENTS*

(subject to change at any time)

Service Areas: Forest, Oneida, Florence, Langlade, Marinette and Oconto Counties

MEDICAL (open to all counties in our service area)

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Nurse Practitioner

• Shelly Buch, MSN, FNP-C,

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• Dr. Bonnie Samuelson, MD,

Medical Director

• Dr. Annie Novak, MD, FAAP, Pediatrician

• Dr. David Larsen, DPM, Podiatrist

• Dr. Anupama Joseph, MD, Cardiologist

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Therapy | Counseling |

Medication Management |

Case Management | Recovery Coaching

Sober Events & Activities

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• Dan Dashner, Dual Diagnosis Counselor

• Tanya Doyle, Mental Health Counselor

COMMUNITY HEALTH

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Aging	(715) 478-3256
Child Support	478-2157
County Clerk	478-2422
District Attorney	478-3511
Economic Development	478-3450
Emergency	911
Emergency Management	478-3430
Family Court	478-3085
Forestry & Parks	478-3475
Health Department	478-3371
Highway Department	478-3516
Land Conservation	478-1387
Maintenance	478-6616
Register of Deeds	478-3823
Sheriff	478-3331
Social Services	478-3351
Treasurer	478-2412
UW Extension	478-2212
Veterans Services	478-3722
Zoning	478-3893

Florence County

Aging	(715) 528-4890
Economic Development	528-3294
Child Support	528-3369
County Clerk	528-3201
Clerk of Courts	528-3205
Coroner	528-3346
District Attorney	528-3362
Emergency	911
Emergency Management	(414) 296-1059
Family Resource Center	528-5566
Forestry & Parks	528-3207 Ext1
Highway Department	528-4253
Human Services	528-3296
Natural Resource Center	528-5377
Register of Deeds	528-4252
Sheriff	528-3346
Treasurer	528-3204
UW Extension	528-4480
Veterans Services	528-3446
Zoning	528-3206

Langlade County

Child Support	(715) 627-6225
Clerk of Courts	627-6215
County Clerk	627-6200
District Attorney	627-6224
Emergency	911
Emergency Management	627-6257
County Manager	627-6203
Highway	627-6272
Land Conservation	627-6291
Maintenance	627-6307
Register of Deeds	627-6209
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Forest County was once part of Oconto and Langlade Counties. In 1885 Forest County was established and named for the vast amount of timber found throughout the area. Crandon was selected as the county seat. Timber camps became communities and other towns formed near streams, rivers and rail lines. Early industry was dominated by timber and agriculture. Today it has become a popular destination for outdoor recreational enthusiasts, with 21,882 acres of lakes and its proximity to the Nicolet National Forest. Today Forest County is home to approximately 9,846 residents.

CRANDON (COUNTY SEAT) - pop. 1,816
 ALVIN - pop. 205
 ARGONNE - pop. 528
 ARMSTRONG CREEK - pop. 459
 BLACKWELL - pop. 372
 CASWELL - pop. 105
 FREEDOM - pop. 373
 HILES - pop. 389

LAONA - pop. 1,303
 LINCOLN - pop. 1,022
 NASHVILLE - pop. 1,193
 POPPLE RIVER - pop. 80
 ROSS - pop. 169
 WABENO - pop. 1,248

**Populations are approximate.*

ARGONNE

The first settlement in the Argonne area was established along the Pine River and it was known as VanZile. The land was inhabited by lumber camps and as the railroad arrived in 1887, businesses began to thrive. By 1900 there were grocery stores, doctor's offices, newspapers, saloons, a butcher shop, bank, stable and a variety of specialty shops. In 1921 the community was renamed Argonne after a battle in World War II. Today Argonne is home to approximately 528 residents.

ARMSTRONG CREEK

Armstrong Creek was settled in the 1850s and founded under the name Caswell. As the settlement grew, the community was renamed several times. Advertised to Polish immigrants as "the Land of Milk and Honey," Armstrong Creek attracted many of these immigrants. As a result, the Polish National Alliance was founded and the community celebrates its annual Polish Heritage Days. In 1922 Armstrong Creek was incorporated and given its present name. Today Armstrong Creek is home to approximately 459 residents.

BLACKWELL

Settled in the mid 1800s, Blackwell originated as a timber camp. As loggers and mill workers arrived, the community began to grow. Businesses were established to meet the growing needs of the community and by 1900 its population reached 990. Today Blackwell is home to approximately 372 residents.

CRANDON (COUNTY SEAT)

Crandon was settled in the 1880s and originally part of Oconto County. Land purchased by Samuel Shaw became the town site and the community was named in honor of Major Frank P. Crandon, a railroad commissioner. With successful lobbying, Forest County was created and Crandon was selected as the county seat. Early industry was timber based and a mill attracted new residents. As the lumber industry began to slow, community growth slowed. Today Crandon is home to 1,816 residents.

HILES

Settled in the 1860s by loggers, Hiles has its roots in the lumber industry. Attracted to the ample timber and scenic beauty of Pine Lake, settlers worked the mills and assisted with the development of the railroad. The community was named in honor of Franklin Pierce Hiles, a landowner and developer, in 1903. By 1928 there were schools, churches, boarding house and general store. Today Hiles is home to approximately 389 residents.

LAONA

Laona was settled in 1876 as a logging camp. Norman Johnson, the area's first settler, named the community in honor of his daughter Laona. As the railroad arrived, the community began to boom and the timber industry continued to thrive. Today Laona is home to approximately 1,303 residents.

WABENO

Wabeno, was named after a tornado wiped out a large area of timber in 1880. Early industry was dominated by timber and logging camps and sawmills were established throughout the area. With the arrival of the railroad, Wabeno began to grow and the logging industry continued. A logging museum was founded in 1941 to honor Wabeno's early history, showcasing the life of the pioneers. Today Wabeno is home to approximately 1,248 residents.



*F*lorence County, named after Florence Hulst, one of the area's first pioneers, was established in 1882 from part of Oconto and Marinette Counties. As iron ore was discovered, mining operations began and many settlers were attracted to the area. Logging and lumbering became popular and mills provided employment for new residents. Farms were established to meet the needs of the lumber camps and goods were transported to local markets. The timber industry was gradually replaced by agriculture as pine resources were depleted. By 1920 there were over 394 farms found throughout the area and Florence was selected as the county seat. Today Florence County is home to approximately 4,652 residents.

AURORA - pop. 1,073

COMMONWEALTH - pop. 419

FERN - pop. 139

FLORENCE (COUNTY SEAT) - pop. 2,111

HOMESTEAD - pop. 378

LONG LAKE - pop. 180

TIPLER - pop. 189

**Populations are approximate.*

AURORA

Aurora is a town in Florence County with a total area of about 39 square miles. The town lies on the Michigan/Wisconsin border, across the Menominee River from Kingsford, Michigan. Today the population is approximately 1,073 people with a density around 31 individuals per square mile.

FLORENCE (COUNTY SEAT)

Florence was named in honor of Florence Hulst, an early pioneer. Early settlers arrived to mine iron ore and harvest timber. As timber resources became exhausted, industry became agricultural based. As the railroad was constructed, Florence continued to grow and was chosen as the county seat. Today Florence is home to approximately 2,111 residents.

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First surveyed in 1851, Langlade County was established in 1880 from part of Shawano, Oconto and Marinette Counties, and named after an early pioneer, Charles Langlade. Fur trading posts became settlements and as a military road was built, the area began to grow. Sawmills were built along riverbanks and many arrived to the area to take part in the timber industry. Langlade County has since become popular for outdoor enthusiasts and is widely recognized as “the County of Trails.” Today Langlade County is home to approximately 20,165 residents.

ACKLEY - pop. 551
 AINSWORTH - pop. 567
 ANTIGO (COUNTY SEAT) - pop. 7,917
 ELCHO - pop. 1,282
 EVERGREEN - pop. 478
 LANGLADE - pop. 538
 NEVA - pop. 996
 NORWOOD - pop. 903
 PARRISH - pop. 122
 PECK - pop. 372

POLAR - pop. 988
 PRICE - pop. 265
 ROLLING - pop. 1,427
 SUMMIT - pop. 180
 UPHAM - pop. 688
 VILAS - pop. 261
 WHITE LAKE - pop. 323
 WOLF RIVER - pop. 883

**Populations are approximate.*

ANTIGO (COUNTY SEAT)

The name Antigo is derived from an Ojibwe word meaning “summer balsam firs by the river.” The community was established by Francis A. Deleglise in 1878 as a timber camp. Attracted to the ample timber and pristine landscape, settlers arrived and the community was selected as the county seat in 1880. Early industry was dominated by timber and agriculture and as the railroad arrived, Antigo continued to grow and was selected as the county seat. Today Antigo is home to approximately 7,917 residents.

ELCHO

First settled in 1881 by I.J. Millard, Elcho was originally part of Parrish until 1889. The community was named by B.F. Dorr, the local surveyor, after a town in Scotland. A mill, store and manufacturing plant were established, attracting settlers to the area. By 1912, Elcho housed a hotel, bank, school, church and post office and the community continued to grow. Today Elcho is home to approximately 1,282 residents.

LANGLADE

One of the oldest towns in northern Wisconsin, Langlade was named after Charles Langlade, an early pioneer. Fertile soil and abundant timber attracted settlers and by 1900, Langlade housed a church, school, mill and general store. With the construction of the railroad, Langlade began to boom as supplies and goods were easily transported to nearby towns. Today Langlade is home to approximately 538 residents.

NEVA

Named in honor of an Indian Chief, Neva was settled in 1880. As the area became populated, a school was established in 1882. A mill, general store and boarding house were thriving by 1900. With the arrival of the railroad, Neva continued to grow as timber and farm products were easily transported to nearby markets. Today Neva is home to approximately 996 residents.

NORWOOD

Norwood was established in 1880 and was originally part of Shawano County. A mill was constructed and settlers arrived to work in the timber industry. Schools, churches and general stores were built to meet the growing needs of the community. As the timber industry slowed, development began to slow. Today Norwood is home to approximately 903 residents.

PARRISH

Parrish, once part of Elcho and Summit, was established in 1889 and named in honor of Judge J. K. Parrish. As the Brooks and Ross Lumber Company was founded, settlers flocked to the community to work in the mills. In 1890 a school was established and a general store was later built. As the logging industry began to slow, development declined. Today Parrish is home to approximately 122 residents.

POLAR

First called Muller's Lake, Polar was renamed in honor of early pioneer Hiram B. Polar. As the Webster Manufacturing Company built mills throughout the area, settlers arrived to work in the lumber industry. In 1879 the post office was established and a school was built in 1881. By 1915 a cheese factory, church and sawmills were thriving. Today Polar is home to approximately 988 residents.

ROLLING

Settled in the 1880s, Rolling was first part of Hutchinson. A post office was established in 1882 and early industry was timber based. As families arrived to the area to work in the mills, a school and church was constructed. With the development of the railroad, Rolling continued to grow. A creamery, cheese factory, saloon and general stores were then constructed, attracting more families to the area. Today Rolling is home to approximately 1,427 residents.

UPHAM

Upham was named in honor of Governor William H. Upham. Once part of Summit and Neva, Upham began as a logging town. As businesses were established, settlers arrived and the community began to develop. As the railroad arrived in 1881, Upham continued to grow and mills employed most of the population. By 1908 the area boasted several schools, churches and a variety of businesses. Today Upham is home to approximately 688 residents.

WOLF RIVER

Wolf River started at the settlement of Elton in 1886. The first settler to arrive to the area was Charles H. Larzelere. As more pioneers arrived, a mill, blacksmith shop, church, school, post office and general store were established. The community was renamed in 1925 after the local river. Today Wolf River is home to approximately 883 residents.

Tilapia Baked in Garlic Butter



Simple meal with a *Gourmet* Feel

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Preheat your oven to 375°F (190°C).
- 2 Pat the tilapia fillets dry with paper towels and place them in a baking dish.
- 3 In a small bowl, mix together the minced garlic and melted butter.
- 4 Pour the garlic butter mixture over the tilapia fillets, making sure they are well coated.
- 5 Season the fillets with salt and pepper to taste.
- 6 Bake the tilapia in the preheated oven for 12-15 minutes or until the fish is cooked through and flakes easily with a fork.
- 7 Sprinkle chopped parsley over the top of the cooked tilapia, if desired.
- 8 Serve the tilapia fillets hot, with your favorite side dishes.

INGREDIENTS

4 tilapia fillets
4 cloves **garlic**, minced
4 tablespoons **butter**, melted
Salt and **pepper**, to taste
Fresh **parsley**, chopped
(optional)

*Enjoy your delicious
and healthy tilapia
baked in garlic butter!*

PREP: 35 MIN • TOTAL: 50 MIN

PARKS & RECREATION

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FISHER LAKE PARK

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KEYS LAKE PARK

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LAKE EMILY PARK & CAMPGROUND

Commonwealth | (715) 528-3207

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LOON LAKE PARK

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Located near Florence, Popple River Park features a canoe landing and picnic areas.

VAGABOND PARK

Florence | (715) 528-3207

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VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK

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Located near Jack Lake, Veteran's Memorial Park features a campground, boat launch, fish cleaning station, swimming beach, reservable picnic pavilions, horseshoe pits, volleyball court, tennis court, basketball court, disc golf course and playground equipment.

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Hiking:

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Ice Age Trail, Throughout Wisconsin
Amnicon Falls State Park, Douglas County
Copper Falls State Park, Ashland County

Golf Courses:

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Erin Hills, Washington County
Blackwolf Run, Sheboygan County

Mountain Biking:

Rock Lake, Bayfield County
Hickory Ridge, Chippewa County
Alpine Valley, Walworth County
Pleasant View, Dane County

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N4878 State Hwy. 17 | Gleason | (715) 873-4588

KETTLEBOWL SKI AREA

N6875 Hwy. 52 | White Lake

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HUNTING SEASONS

DEER

Archery and Crossbow

Sept. 16–Jan. 7, 2024

Archery and Crossbow *Metro Sub-units only*

Sept. 16–Jan. 31, 2024

Gun hunt for hunters with disabilities: This is not a statewide season. ~ Oct. 7–15, 2023

Youth deer hunt ~ Oct. 7–8, 2023

Gun ~ Nov. 18–26, 2023

Muzzleloader ~ Nov. 27–Dec. 6, 2023

December 4-day antlerless hunt ~

Dec. 7–10, 2023

Antlerless-only Holiday Hunt ~

Dec. 24, 2023–Jan. 1, 2024*

*Only in valid farmland units. Please see deer regulations booklet for valid units.

BEAR

Zones A, B, D: where dogs are permitted

Sept. 6–12, 2023

with aid of dogs only

Sept. 13–Oct. 3, 2023

with aid of dogs

with aid of bait

with all other legal methods

Oct. 4–10, 2023

with aid of bait only

with all other legal methods not using dogs

Zones C, E, F: where dogs are not permitted

Sept. 6–Oct. 10, 2023

with aid of bait

with all other legal methods not using dogs

SMALL MAMMALS

Cottontail rabbit

Northern zone ~ Sept. 16–Feb. 29, 2024

Southern zone ~ Oct. 14 (9 a.m.)–Feb. 29, 2024

Milwaukee County ~ Year-round

Squirrels (gray and fox)

Statewide ~ Sept. 16–Feb. 29, 2024

GAME BIRDS

Crow

*To be determined

Pheasant

Statewide ~ Oct. 14 (9 a.m.)–Jan. 7, 2024

Bobwhite quail

Statewide ~ Oct. 14 (9 a.m.)–Dec. 6

Ruffed grouse

Zone A ~ Sept. 16–Jan. 7, 2024

Zone B ~ Oct. 14–Dec. 8

Sharp-tailed grouse ~ Season is under review.

Hungarian partridge

Statewide ~ Oct. 14 (9 a.m.)–Jan. 7, 2024

(Closed in Clark, Marathon and Taylor counties)

FURBEARERS

Coyote

Hunting ~ Continuous open season

Trapping ~ Oct. 14 – Feb. 15, 2024

Fox, red and gray

Hunting ~ Oct. 14 – Feb. 15, 2024

Trapping ~ Oct. 14 – Feb. 15, 2024

Beaver

Trapping

Zone A (northwest) ~ Nov. 4 – April 30, 2024

Zone B (northeast) ~ Nov. 4 – April 30, 2024

Zone C (south) ~ Nov. 4 – March 31, 2024

Zone D (Mississippi River) ~ Day after the duck season closes March 15, 2024

Muskrat & Mink

Trapping

Northern Zone ~ Oct. 21 – April 15, 2024

Central Zone ~ Oct. 28 – March 27, 2024

Southern Zone ~ Nov. 4 – March 15, 2024

Mississippi River zone ~ Nov. 13 – March 10, 2024

Bobcat

Hunting & Trapping

Period 1 ~ Oct. 14–Dec. 25

Period 2 ~ Dec. 26–Jan. 31, 2024

Fisher

Trapping

Various Zones ~ Oct. 14–Jan. 7, 2024

FURBEARERS (CONTD)

Otter

Trapping

North zone ~ Nov. 4–Apr. 30, 2024

South zone ~ Nov. 4–Mar. 31, 2024

Raccoon

Hunting & Trapping

Resident ~ Oct. 14–Feb. 15, 2024

Non-resident ~ Oct. 28–Feb. 15, 2024

Opossum, skunk, weasel, snowshoe hare and woodchuck ~ No season limits, bag limits, size limits or possession limits, but a license is required.

WILD TURKEY

2023 Youth turkey hunt ~ April 15–16

Spring 2023

Period A ~ April 19–25

Period B ~ April 26–May 2

Period C ~ May 3–9

WILD TURKEY (CONTD)

Period D ~ May 10–16

Period E ~ May 17–23

Period F ~ May 24–30

Fall 2023

Statewide Sept. 16–Nov. 17

Zones 1–5 ~ Nov. 18–Jan. 7, 2024

*Dates are subject to change please contact your local DNR office for specific hunting and trapping zone regulations. For general information on fire-arm safety training call: 1 (888) 936-7463.

*For the latest season dates. Check the Wisconsin DNR website, <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov> or scan the QR code.



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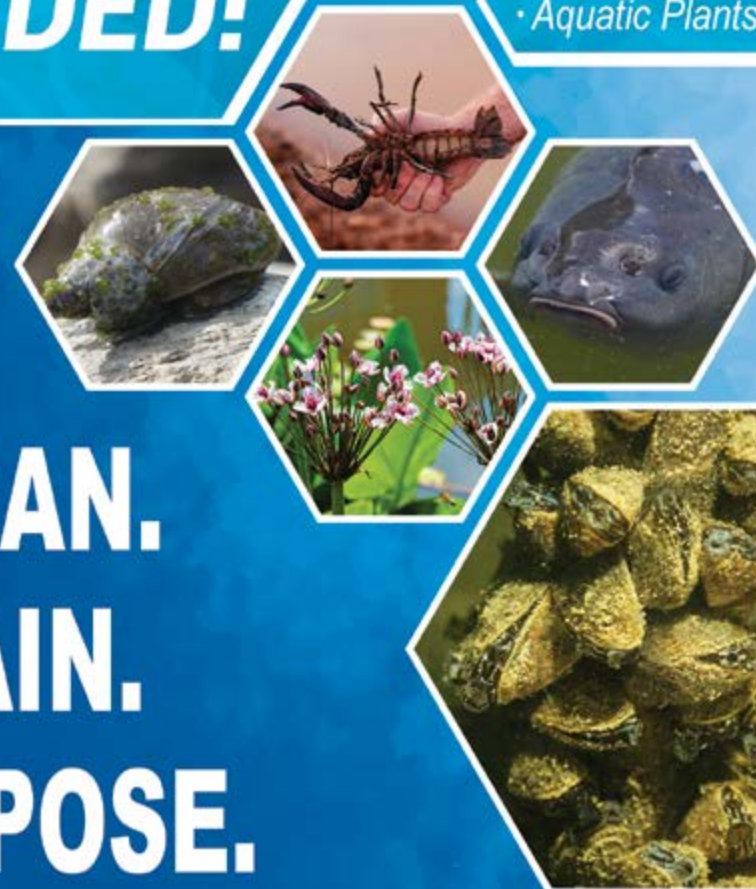
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Invasive:

- Fish
- Invertebrates
- Aquatic Plants



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KNOW THE LAW! YOU MAY NOT...

- TRANSPORT WATERCRAFT WITHOUT REMOVING THE DRAIN PLUG.
- ARRIVE AT LAKE ACCESS WITH DRAIN PLUG IN PLACE.
- TRANSPORT AQUATIC PLANTS, ZEBRA MUSSELS, OR OTHER PROHIBITED SPECIES ON ANY ROADWAY.
- LAUNCH A WATERCRAFT WITH PROHIBITED SPECIES ATTACHED.
- TRANSPORT WATER FROM LAKES OR RIVERS.
- RELEASE BAIT INTO THE WATER.

FISHING SEASONS

2023-2024 FISHING SEASON DATES

(Effective Date: April 1, 2023; Dates Inclusive)

Early Inland Trout (catch & release)

Jan. 7 (5 a.m.) - May 5

General Inland Trout

May 6 (5 a.m.) - Oct. 15

General Inland Fishing

May 6 - March 3, 2024

Largemouth Bass Northern Zone Harvest

May 6 - March 3, 2024

Smallmouth Bass Northern Zone Harvest

June 17 - March 3, 2024

Large & Smallmouth Bass Southern Zone Harvest

May 6 - March 3, 2024

Large And Smallmouth Bass Catch & Release

At all other times of the year.

Musky Northern Zone Harvest

May 27 - Dec. 31

Musky Southern Zone Harvest

May 6 - Dec. 31

Northern Pike

May 6 - March 3, 2024

Walleye

May 6 - March 3, 2024

Lake Sturgeon

Feb. 11 - Feb. 26 (spearing)

Sept. 2 to Sept. 30 (hook-and-line)

Free Fishing Weekends

June 3-4, 2023

Jan. 21-22, 2023

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Boating safety is critical for anyone who operates a boat or spends time on the water. Here are some general boating safety tips to keep in mind:

- **Wear a life jacket:** Always wear a life jacket while boating. Make sure the life jacket is appropriate for your weight and is U.S. Coast Guard approved.
- **Know the weather:** Check the weather forecast before you go boating and keep an eye on changing conditions. If you notice darkening clouds, rough winds or sudden drops in temperature, get off the water.
- **Use navigation aids:** Use navigation aids like buoys and beacons to help you navigate safely.
- **Maintain your boat:** Keep your boat well-maintained and in good working condition. Make sure all safety equipment is in good condition and functioning properly.
- **Avoid alcohol:** Do not drink alcohol while operating a boat. It is illegal and increases the likelihood of accidents.
- **Watch your speed:** Observe speed limits and maintain a safe speed based on conditions. Remember, slower speeds may be necessary in crowded areas or in inclement weather.
- **Be aware of other boats:** Watch for other boats and be aware of their movements. Always assume other boaters may not see you.
- **Know the rules:** Learn and follow boating safety laws and regulations. This includes rules for navigation, safety equipment, and right-of-way.
- **File a float plan:** Always let someone know where you are going and when you plan to return. File a float plan with a trusted person or a marina.
- **Take a boating safety course:** Consider taking a boating safety course to improve your skills and knowledge.



By following these general boating safety tips, you can reduce the likelihood of accidents and enjoy a safe and enjoyable time on the water.

ICE SAFETY GUIDELINES:



Did you know?

- Ice always forms unevenly. It can be 2 feet thick in one spot, and just a few inches thick a couple feet away.
- The most dangerous ice is formed over flowing water. It's especially dangerous near streams, culverts and bridges. Also, the faster the water is running, usually means the weaker the ice will be.
- Snow insulates the ice and slows the freezing process. The added weight of the snow reduces the strength of the ice. Also, ice that is closer to shore is usually weaker than ice farther out.
- Cracking and rumbling ice isn't always bad. The ice expands and contracts as the temperature rises and falls.
- Fish and birds/wildlife can also effect the ice. Schools of fish can bring warm water from the bottom of lakes, and open holes in seemingly thick ice.
- **ALWAYS BE CAUTIOUS WHEN YOU ARE ON ICE!**



ICE FISHING

Find the Perfect Spot



- Trying to figure out where to drill your fishing holes can be tough. A couple ways to make this easier is to buy a map that shows the contour and depth of the lake or look online for a suitable map.
- Before drilling holes, check your map or online for areas with drop-offs, sandbars, mounds of rocks or weed lines. If the first spot you chose to drill holes is not producing any fish, don't sit there and wait. Drill new holes at a new location to find the fish. You may not have to move far, just try new holes at different depths. It's not easy moving all your gear around while drilling holes, but if you want to catch fish you have to find them.
- Early in the ice fishing season, the fish will tend to stay in shallower waters. Later in the season the fish will move to deeper waters. At the end of the season, the fish will start to move into shallower waters again.
- Walleye, sauger and perch tend to hang out near the bottom. Northern pike stay off the bottom while they are in shallow water and stay near the bottom when in deeper waters. Panfish will be at different depths depending on what they are eating. Trout don't sit around: they will be at random depths and areas in the search of food. If you have a fish finder it will make it a lot easier to judge the fish type and depth to set the bait.



CRANDON INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY



Whether you're a die-hard Off-Road racing fan, or just someone that wants an experience where some consider it to be the "Super Bowl" of Off-Road racing, then head on over to Crandon, Wisconsin. Located in Forest County, Wisconsin. Typically held over Labor Day weekend, beginning in 1970- 2022 was the 53rd year that the city has been host to the "World Championship Off-Road Races".

Held at the Crandon International Raceway, over 55,000 fans have sold out Camp Crandon and filled every parking spot to be a part of the experience.

The grounds have been prepared to host a celebration of racing, exhibitions, a parade, free concerts and of course, FOOD! Most like to refer to this as the "Crandon Experience" with over 400 plus PRO & Sportsman AMSOIL Championship Off-Road (COR) series teams as well as all the classes that make up the Ultra4 Racing Series.

Racers strap themselves into a 2WD (PRO2) or 4WD (PRO4) vehicle, and put the pedal to the metal, all in search of the coveted title of "World Off-Road Champion". On a 25 ¼ mile dirt course, racers push 101 miles to the checkered flag. In the years before the COVID shut down, the 2019 & 2020 winner of the Red Bull Cup was R.J. Anderson. In 2018, Brian Deegan set a race lap record of 1:20:165 driving a Toyota Pro2 and in the same year, Bryce Menzies set a race lap record of 1:16:900 in a Ford Pro4.

During this Midwest sports world Iconic event, racers will go all out, racing to win the coveted title of "Crandon World Champion". To kick off the weekend, The "Forest County Potawatomi Friday Night Thunder" races will be held under the lights. Late night racing under the lights will be held on Saturday night, too. Sunday will be the day that holds the EPIC "Red Bull Crandon World Cup".

A list of some of the events are as follows:

- Ultra4 Rock Racing (All Classes)
- AMSOIL Championship Off-Road Pro & Sportsman Racing
- Annual Lucas Oil Crandon Labor Day Parade, presented by Polaris
- FCP Friday night Thunder Night Racing
- Saturday night "Rage on the Rocks" Ultra4 racing
- Red Bull Crandon World Cup Sunday
- Red Bull Cup Finale

Even if Racing isn't your niche, the trip to this beautiful Wisconsin City is totally worth it. This time of year, the colors are just beginning to change, and that crisp air just invigorates the soul. Enjoy!



Crandon International Off Road Raceway

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Be Aware of your Surroundings

- Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head.
- Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly.
- Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure.
- Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals.
- When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions.
- Cross only at intersections.
- Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals.
- Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars.
- Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets.
- Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.
- Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.
- When biking with friends, ride in a single file.
- Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.
- Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.

Bicycle Hand Signals



Drink lots of Water!



Know Your ATV

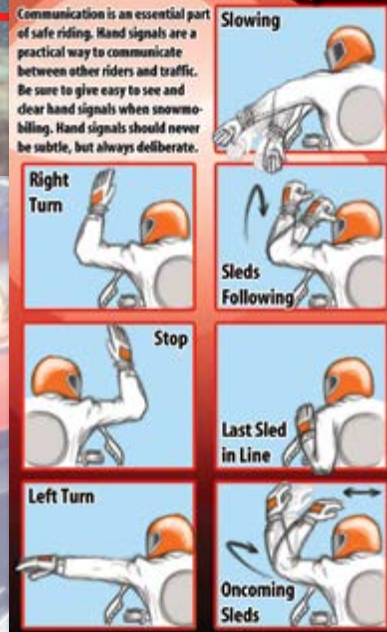
Read the owner's manual

and know your vehicle thoroughly. • Check your vehicle before you ride. • Wear protective equipment and clothing. • Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders. • Supervise young or inexperienced riders. • Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider. • Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol. • Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions. • Stay to the right on trails. • Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands. • Know the weather forecast. • Make sure headlights and taillights work properly. • Maintain safe distances between other riders. • Reduce your speed when riding at night. • Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users. • Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY

- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

Snowmobile Hand Signals



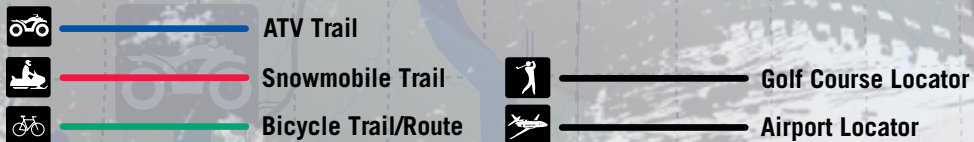
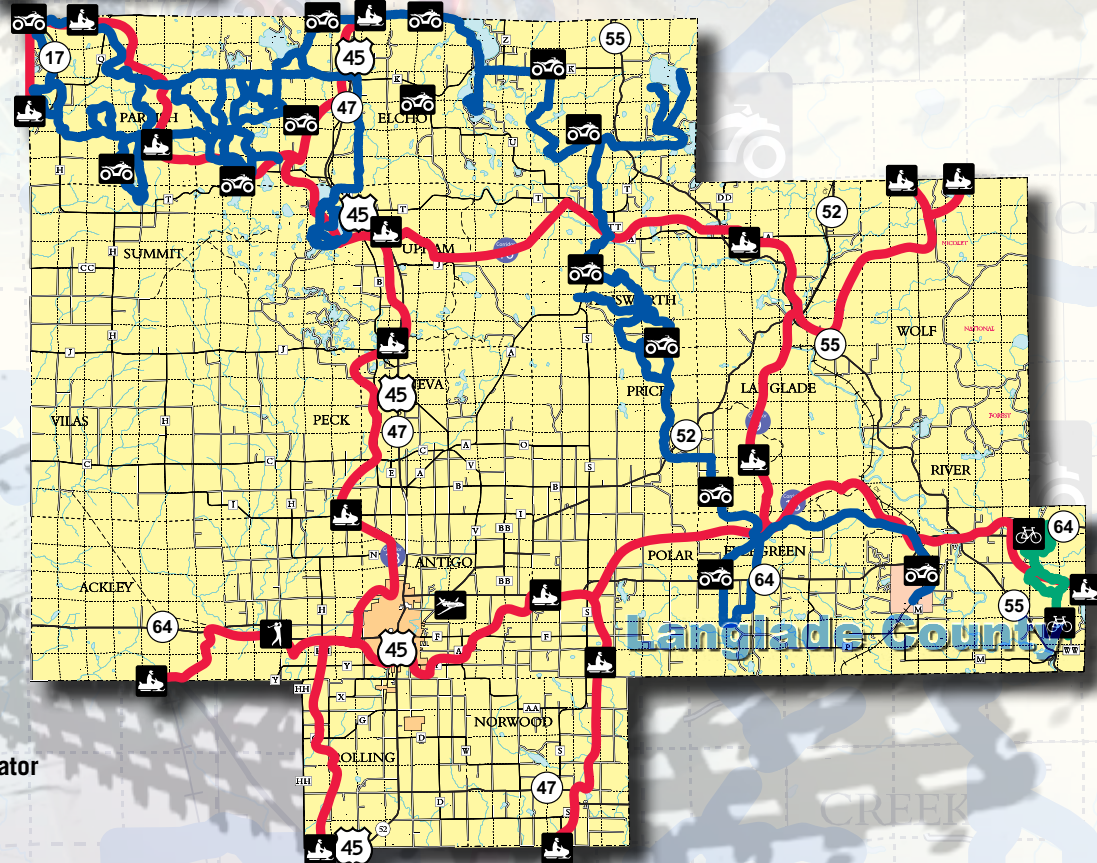
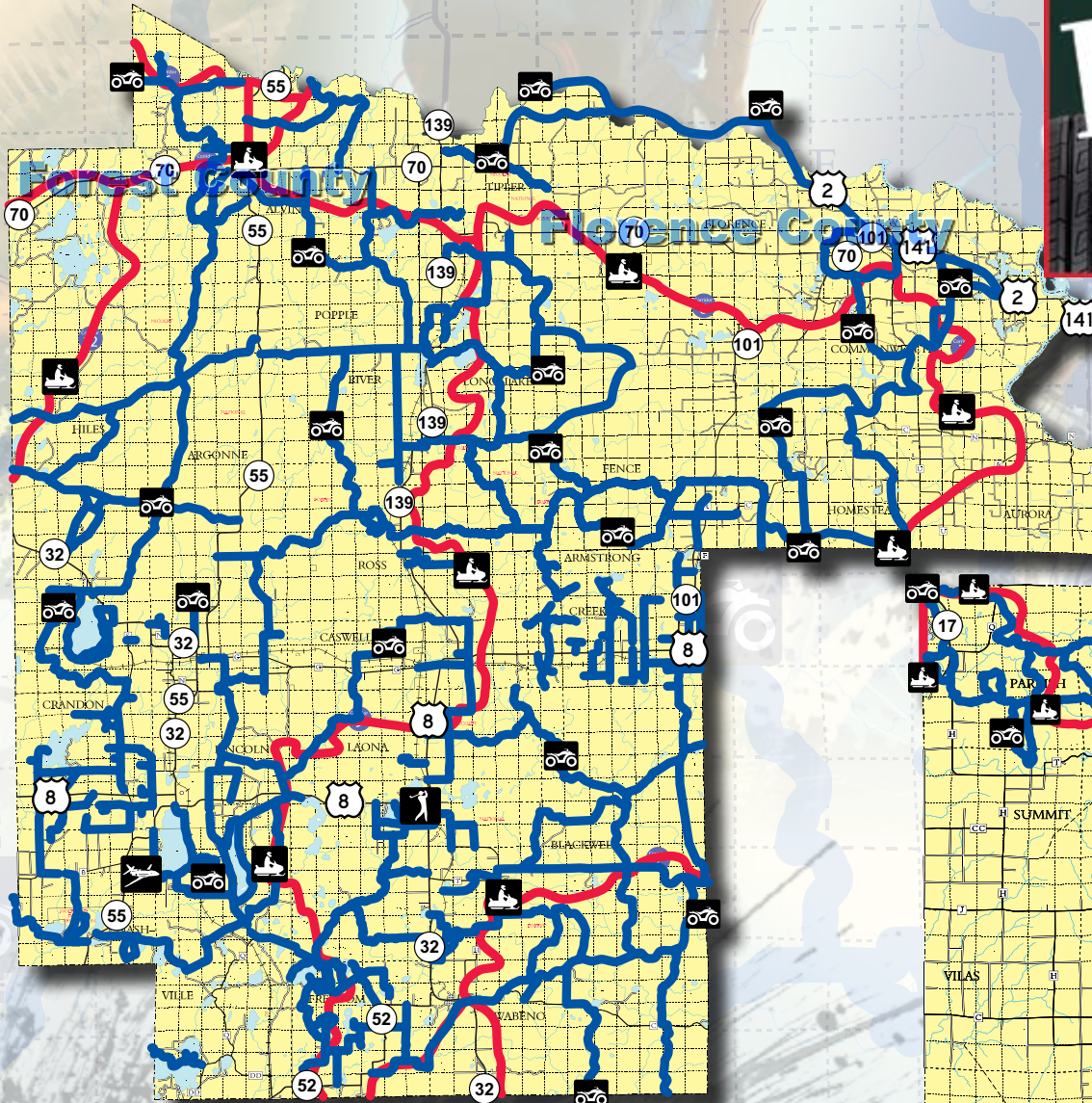
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NO TRESPASSING

Please respect private property and no trespassing signs. Stay on trails. Exercise extreme caution on all lakes and streams. Obey all state and local laws and ordinances. Do not operate snowmobiles/ATVs on county roads or state highways.

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Closing up the cabin

Some Common Things To Check Inside The Cabin

- Make sure the water and electric are set up for winter • Set the thermostat to the correct temperature for the area • If you don't heat in the winter and live in a cold area, drain the pipes • Turn off the hot water heater • Winterize appliances that use water • Clean the furnace filter • Inspect the sump pump
- Unplug computers and major appliances (Leave the door cracked on the refrigerator if you unplug it) • Seal your linens in a container • Remove perishable food • Close dampers and seal the fireplace

Some Common Things To Check Outside The Cabin

- Look for air leaks around the cabin and seal with caulk or insulation • Insulate pipes in crawl spaces with heat tape or heat cables • Open cabinet doors so heat can get to the pipes under the sink • Clean and store boats and equipment • Winterize gas-powered equipment • Remove leaves and debris around the cabin
- Store lawn furniture and decorations • Mow • Clean gutters and inspect roof • Drain hoses and sprinklers • Inspect your septic tank
- Take the dock in



FIREWOOD

Burn it where you get it!



Invasive pests like the Emerald Ash Borer and Gypsy Moth have devastated millions of trees in the United States. Where these pests come from, the population stays in control because, they have natural predators. The United States does not have these natural predators so the populations have the chance to grow to extreme numbers.



Emerald Ash Borer

Gypsy Moth Caterpillar

Preventing the Spread

- Buy local firewood.
- Burn all firewood completely at each destination.
- Move only Certified firewood out of a quarantine county or across state boundaries.
- Use firewood from nearby sources to heat your home or cabin.
- Tell your friends and family about the importance of not moving firewood.
- Don't move hardwood firewood out of a quarantine county, unless it is state or USDA certified.
- Don't move opened firewood bundles.
- Don't move firewood long distances to or from your lake home or cabin.

Invasive Pests are a Problem!

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

(Read Guide
for Clues)

WORD SEARCH

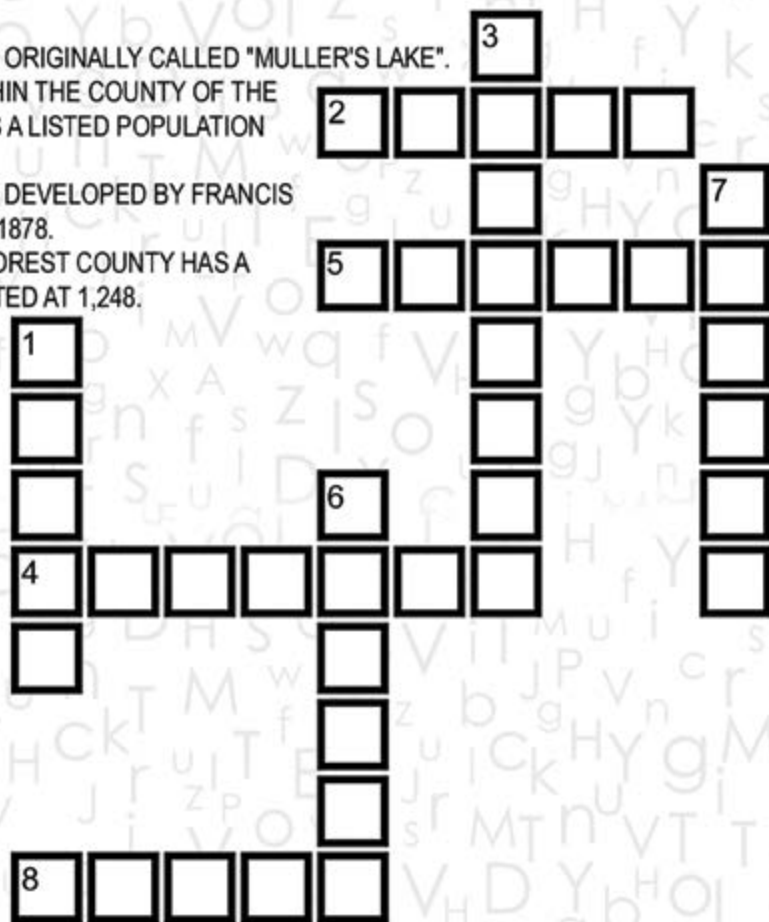


ACROSS

- 2: THIS CITY GOT ITS NAME FROM A MAN BY THE NAME OF FRANKLIN PIERCE _____
 4: THIS CITY WAS ESTABLISHED ALONG THE PINE RIVER & ORIGINALLY KNOWN AS VANZILE.
 5: THIS TOWN LIES ON THE BORDER OF WISCONSIN & MICHIGAN.
 8: THIS CITY WAS ORIGINALLY PART OF PARRISH UNTIL 1889.

DOWN

- 1: THIS CITY WAS ORIGINALLY CALLED "MULLER'S LAKE".
 3: THIS CITY WITHIN THE COUNTY OF THE SAME NAME, HAS A LISTED POPULATION AT 2,111.
 6: THIS CITY WAS DEVELOPED BY FRANCIS A. DELEGLISE IN 1878.
 7: THIS CITY IN FOREST COUNTY HAS A POPULATION LISTED AT 1,248.



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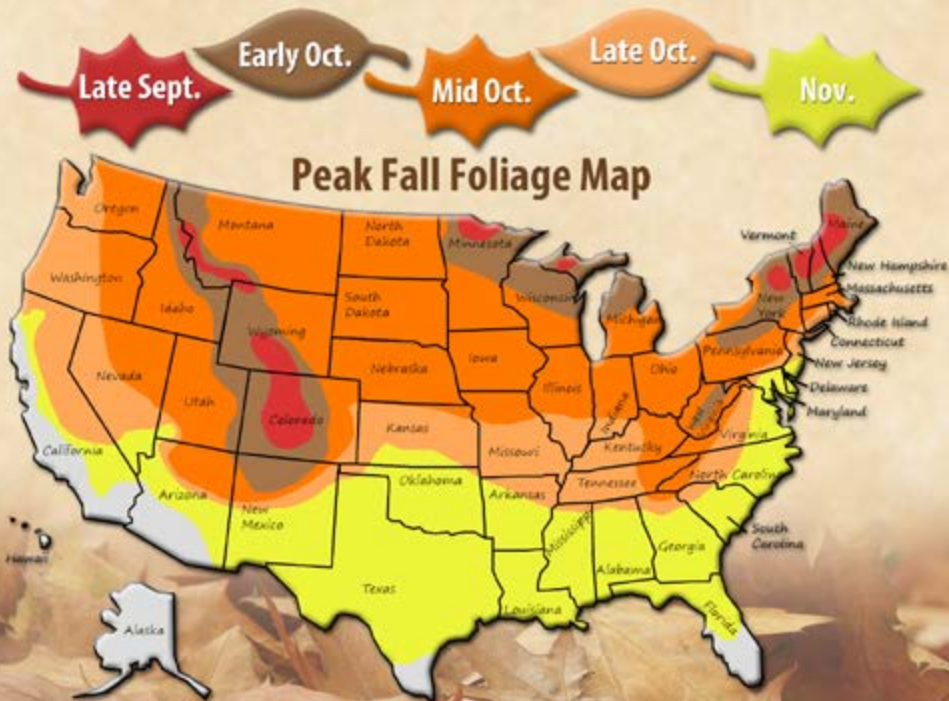
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Autumn Foliage



In the spring and summer tree leaves are green, producing nutrients for the tree. The green color comes from cells in the leaves containing chlorophyll. Chlorophyll absorbs sunlight for energy to transform carbon dioxide and water into carbohydrates.

In the fall, shortening days and cooling temperatures makes the leaves stop producing nutrients. The chlorophyll starts to break down and the green color disappears. The different colors of each tree and tree type are due to the mixing of varying amounts of the chlorophyll residue and other pigments in the leaf during the fall season.



• Shop • Dine
• Play
• Stay

LOCALLY



...and support the community you live in!