

## Follow the Fall Colors

One of the wonderful benefits of traveling is the ability to get out and see the world. The world can be so precious and beautiful, especially in the fall. It is as though someone took a paint brush to the earth.

If you are presently trying to decide where to take your next assignment or you are going to be on the road soon to an assignment, you may want to consider following the fall colors. One time, I went to Portland, Oregon in November to see the fall colors. It was a memorable experience that I think about every year around this time. It seemed as though every leaf was a different color. I went to see the waterfalls and I literally felt like I was walking in an oil painting.

According to [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com)'s map forecast of the fall foliage, the states that appear to be most prominent in fall colors are Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, Idaho, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Maine, Vermont, New York, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts to name a few. This website shows you which areas are just starting their fall colors and which ones are in their peak time.

I also found another website, (<http://ncnatural.com/fall-color/>), that specifically mentions New England as an area having one of the most intense fall colors because the trees tend to be similar in type and change color all at the same time. On the other hand, they also mention the Southern Appalachians as having a lot of variety in fall color and the colors last the longest because the trees seem to be so different and therefore change colors at different times.

Wherever you decide to go, make sure to smell the roses along the way or in this case gaze at the leaves as they fall and coat the earth with a colorful blanket. It is so poetic and beautiful.