



Recreational Experiences Close to Home!

PRIME FALL COLOR AREAS:

Lime Creek Nature Center-Both woodland and prairie trails provide over nine miles of a variety of tree species with showy colors.

Spring Creek Preserve-This woodland along the Winnebago River has a variety of tree species and limestone outcroppings.

White Wildlife Area-This woodland/marsh area adjacent to the Shellrock River provides a hiking trail that loops through the colorful fall trees.

Wilkinson Pioneer Park-Located on the Shellrock River, this area provides viewing of trees, shrubs and native prairie.

Shellrock River Greenbelt-This four-mile stretch along the Shellrock River leads through woods, meadows, and ponds for a variety of colorful landscapes.

Claybanks Forest-This 56 acre forest contains a locally rare stand of hard maple/basswood timber which provides a stunning autumn show.

SUGGESTED FALL COLORS SCENIC DRIVE:

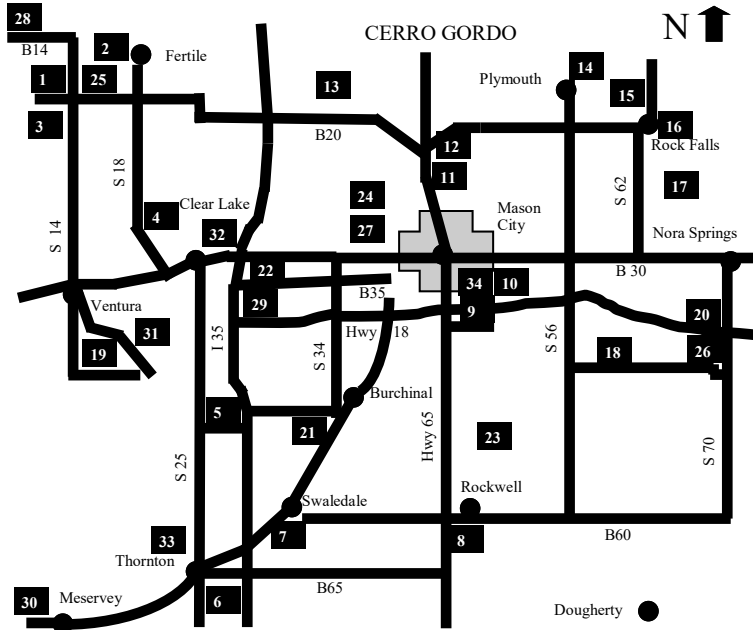
Start at the *Lime Creek Nature Center* just north of Mason City. From Lime Creek go north on Highway 65 to blacktop B-20. Go east on B-20 one-half mile to *Spring Creek Preserve*. Continue on B-20 to Rock Falls, then take S-62 north out of Rock Falls one mile to *White Wildlife Area*. From *White Wildlife Area* go back south to *Wilkinson Park* in Rock Falls. Travel south through the park along the Shellrock River. After exiting the park, continue following the Shellrock River into the *Shellrock River Greenbelt and Preserve*. Follow this four-mile stretch south along the Shellrock River to Highway 122 just west of Nora Springs. Take Highway 122 east to blacktop S-70 and proceed south five miles, then take 225th Street west three miles to *Claybanks Forest*. From *Claybanks Forest* go east one-half mile to Wren Avenue and turn north, cross the Winnebago River, then go west on 230th Street for a scenic four-mile drive along the river to blacktop S-56 and Portland. From there take S-56 north back to Highway 122 and Mason City. This scenic drive will showcase some of our county's premiere fall color viewing.



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1. Haugen Wildlife Area-22151 Apple Ave
2. Mallard Marsh-2500 - 325th St
3. Kuhn Wildlife Area-1873 - 310th St
4. Winter Garden Park-1220 N 16th St NW
5. Zirbel Slough-8447 - 200th St
6. Ingebretson Park-203 Ash St E
7. Stille Wildlife Area-4821 Jonquil Ave
8. Linn Grove Park-518 Madison St W
9. Mike Zack Wildlife Area-16638 - 230th St
10. Averydale Access-South of US Hwy 18 on Birch Drive
11. Lime Creek Conservation Area and Nature Center-3501 Lime Creek Rd
12. Spring Creek Preserve-15829 - 300th St
13. King Fisher Hollow-10250 Wheelerwood Dr
14. Strand Park-20057 - 340th St
15. White Wildlife Area-22038 Vine Ave
16. Wilkinson Pioneer Park-21425 Vine Ave
17. Shellrock River Greenbelt & Preserve
18. Claybanks Forest-22924 - 225th St
19. Blue Wing Marsh-3748 - 220th St
20. Grover's Meadow-15580 Zinnia Ave
21. Walch Wildlife Area-10811 - 190th St
22. Trolley Trail-B-35 from Mason City to Clear Lake
23. Blazing Star Prairie-16747 - 180th St

24. Blair Meadows Preserve-1/4 mile west of intersection of Eisenhower Ave & 12th St NW (north side of road)
25. Winnebago Oxbow-3100 - 320th St
26. Limestone Prairie Preserve-24928 - 225th St
27. Willow Creek Preserve-1/4 mile west of intersection of Eisenhower Ave & 12th St NW (south side of road)
28. Prairie Pothole Wildlife Area-24493 Apple Ave
29. Bluebill Wildlife Area-14369 Indigo Ave
30. **Prairie Land Trail-13773 240th St (trailhead)**
31. Sister's Prairie Trail-2854 235th St (trailhead)
32. **Donna Walker Nature Area-8103 - 315th St**
33. Ring-Neck Wildlife Area-5891 - 125th St
34. Goranson Access-3139 Birch Dr

Yellows/Oranges:
soft maples, elms, ashes, hickories, aspens.

Reds/purples:
hard maples, oaks, sumacs, dogwoods,
Virginia creeper.

Brown:
bur oaks.