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Fall Foliage

Happy September!

Fall is just around the corner! Carbondale offers a variety of activities in and around the area to view the fall colors.

Hike the Thompson Creek Trail. This is a great trail for all ages and is just seven miles from Main Street in Carbondale! This is a short, scenic hike with unique attractions. Take note of the sliced rock formations that reach straight up into the sky. Stop by the Carbondale Chamber and Visitor Center to pick up a trail map.

Make the scenic drive down to Redstone. This short 18-mile trip south of Carbondale offers incredible views of Mt. Sopris and the changing colors of autumn. Just before turning into the town of Redstone, stop and learn the history of the Redstone Coke Ovens located on the west shoulder of Highway 133. Once in Redstone, take a walk through the quaint town and tour the historic castle. Click [here](#) for more information on the castle tours.

Head east from Carbondale to the Maroon Bells Scenic Area, and hike around the many Maroon Lake trails. This glacial valley is surrounded by 14,000-foot peaks, views of wildflower fields, meadows, numerous trees, and wildlife.

Experience the West Elk Loop, a scenic and historic byway. Carbondale is the gateway for the West Elk Loop Scenic Byway, a magnificent adventure that takes you through the Crystal River Valley, with endless views of mountain ranges, fields of alpine wildflowers, farmlands and cattle ranches. Stop by the Carbondale Chamber and Visitor Center to pick up a map of the West Elk Loop Scenic Byway.

For information about events in the Carbondale area visit our [events calendar](#).

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Carbondale, Colorado. Your base camp awaits.

The picturesque town of Carbondale is located 170 miles west of Denver, 30 miles from Aspen, and 12 miles from Glenwood Springs. At an altitude of 6,181 feet, and resting in the magnificent shadow of 12,953-foot Mt. Sopris, Carbondale is in the heart of Colorado's Rocky Mountains.

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