

Gold Fall Color Tour



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Explore the Glorious Gold Tour


Embark on a journey through nature's golden palette with our enchanting Gold Tour. This scenic route promises a captivating display of yellow and orange foliage, taking you on an unforgettable adventure through Michigan's picturesque landscapes.


Route Highlights

 **Start:** Begin your adventure northbound on I-75, setting your course towards Allenville.

 **M123 Towards Seney:** Head northwest on M123, meandering through charming scenery towards Seney.

 **M28 Towards Roberts Corner:** Continue west on M28, immersing yourself in the autumn beauty.

 **M123 To Paradise:** As you head north on M123, you'll approach the stunning Paradise.

 **Return via I-75:** Conclude your loop by heading south on I-75, making your way back to St. Ignace.

The Radiant Colors

The Gold Tour showcases nature's transition as the vibrant green chlorophyll in leaves begins to fade, allowing the splendid yellow-orange carotenoids to shine through. This transformation is responsible for the golden hues that grace trees during the autumn season.

Common northern Michigan trees, including bur oak, sugar maple, bigtooth aspen, white ash, golden birch, white birch, and cottonwood, all contribute to this breathtaking golden spectacle.


What You Will See


Throughout your journey, you'll be surrounded by trees adorned in stunning golden colors, creating a mesmerizing ambiance along the entire route. As you approach Tahquamenon Falls State Park, the golden trees draw closer, almost forming a canopy of autumn beauty over the road.

Prepare to be awestruck as you traverse an incredibly narrow road, with the majestic Lake Superior on one side and the beginnings of the Tahquamenon River on the other, offering you a unique blend of natural wonders.


Must-Visit Stops

Make the most of your Gold Tour by exploring these fantastic attractions along the way:


 **Castle Rock:** A famous landmark that you'll pass by on your way from St. Ignace.

 **The Toonerville Trolley Train:** An intriguing experience for train enthusiasts.

 **Oswald's Bear Ranch:** Get up close with these magnificent creatures.

 **Tahquamenon Falls and State Park:** A must-see, regardless of the season. Witness the majesty of the falls.

Plan Your Gold Adventure

The Gold Tour promises a breathtaking journey through Michigan's golden landscapes. Whether you're a nature enthusiast, a photography lover, or simply seeking a serene escape, this tour has something for everyone. Begin your journey today and immerse yourself in the splendor of autumn's golden embrace!   

Need assistance planning your route or have questions? The Chamber is here to help!