

Week 2 – Oct 1 - 7

Oct 1 – 31 - Fall Colors Festival

Georgetown - Amerson Farm

Planting mum seminars, pumpkin carving contest, coloring contest, food tasting. Hours: Tues - Sat 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Sun 12 – 5 p.m.

www.amersonfarm.com

502-863-3799

Oct 1 – 31 – Wizard of Oz Halloween Trail

Hodgenville – Lee's Garden Center

www.leesgardencenter.com

270-358-9897

Oct 1 – 31 - King Years: Commemorating the Development of Wickliffe Mounds

Wickliffe - Wickliffe Mounds State Historic Site

October marks the anniversary of the development of the Wickliffe Mounds museum by Colonel Fain King in 1932. In commemoration of this endeavor, Wickliffe Mounds State Historic Site will have a pictorial exhibit of the site as it looked in the 1930s. On Wednesdays, all visitors will receive the group rate admission to the museum. Admission for adults is \$2.50, kids, age 6-12, \$2.

www.parks.ky.gov

270-335-3681

Oct 2 - Fireman's Chili Cook-off

Georgetown

Join in the fun and sample 27 different chilis. A great family night for four under \$20. Proceeds go to Toys for Tots for Georgetown/Scott County. 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

www.georgetownky.com

502-316-4225

Oct 2 – 4 - Roller Coaster Fair & Yard Sale

Burkesville - Along Hwy 90

Miles of yard sales line the Southern Kentucky/Tennessee loop that travels through Cumberland County on Highway 90.

www.rollercoasterfair.com

270-864-3444

Oct 2 – 5 Jerusalem Ridge Bluegrass Celebration

Rosine - Jerusalem Ridge

The event features 40 of the top names in American Bluegrass Music performing on Jerusalem Ridge, the boyhood home of Bill Monroe, the father of Bluegrass Music.

www.jerusalemridgefestival.org

270-256-1430

Oct 2 – 5 – Kentucky Horse Park Combined Drive Event

Lexington - Kentucky Horse Park

Combined Event

www.KyHorsePark.com

859-233-4303

Oct 2 –30 - Murder and Mayhem Walking Tours

Frankfort

Join Russ Hatter for the legendary Frankfort Murder & Mayhem Walking Tour of downtown Frankfort. Every Thursday in October at 7:30 pm. Reservations are required.

www.visitfrankfort.com

502-696-0607

Oct 3 - 1st Friday in Dawson Springs

Dawson Springs

Join in for an evening of fun, food, live entertainment, antique cars, motorcycles, and crafts

www.dawsonspringsky.com

270-797-4248

Oct 3 - Art Show

Mount Sterling

Enjoy seeing local and regional art at the First Friday Art Show in the charming historic Downtown Mount Sterling.

859-498-6264

Oct 3 – Oct 4 - Bittersweet Festival

Mount Vernon

Booths, food, entertainment and fun.

606-256-3437

Oct 3 – 4 - Lebanon Junction Old Fashion Days

Lebanon Junction

This event is a great time for anyone who loves good food, rides, booths, and much more family fun.

502-833-2296

Oct 3 – 4 - Kingdom Come Swappin' Meetin'

Cumberland - Southeast Community College

An event rich in Appalachian culture with handmade mountain crafts, food, music and over 20 demonstrations such as the making of sorghum molasses, lye soap, wool spinning, basket weaving, woodcarving, handmade brooms and blacksmithing just to name a few. There will be fun and adventure on hay rides, kiddie choo-choo, mechanical bull and more. There are contests which include quilting, baking, pumpkins, checkers, pickles and jams, and more. Share the memories of life the way it used to be in the mountains of southeastern Kentucky.

www.secc.kctcs.edu

606-589-3137

Oct 3 – Oct 4 - Wickland Corn Maze

Bardstown

Enjoy the 3-acre corn maze, ghost stories and classic movies. Concession stands will be open for food and drink. Hours are 7 - 8 p.m. un-haunted; 8 -11 p.m., haunted.

www.visitbardstown.com

800-638-4877

Oct 3 – 4 - McCreary Fest

Whitley City

This event includes a parade, and activities celebrating the people, culture, and heritage of McCreary County. Downtown arts and crafts, music, parade and more!

www.mccrearyfest.com

606-376-3008

Oct 3 – 4 – Camper Yard Sale

Mount Olivet - Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park

Clean out your closets and join us for a campground-wide yard sale. Set up on your campsite and then enjoy browsing through other campsites. Only registered campers can sell, but the general public is invited to shop. Call or make camping reservations on line at: <http://www.reserveamerica.com/>.

www.parks.ky.gov

859-289-5507 or 800-443-7008

Oct 3 – 4 - Civilian Conservation Corps Reunion

Corbin - Cumberland Falls State Resort Park

Cumberland Falls State Resort Park is hosting the National Reunion of the Civilian Conservation Corps. Anyone who served in the CCC's is invited to attend this weekend of entertainment and fellowship.

Please contact the park for registration information.

www.parks.ky.gov

800-325-0063

Oct 3 – Oct 5 - Festival of The Horse

Georgetown

Celebrate the role of the horse to history of Scott County. Featuring 3 days of nonstop family fun. Stage entertainment, arts and crafts, carnival and good food. Fri - Children's Parade (noon -10 p.m.); Sat -Grand Horse Parade (8 a.m. -10 p.m.); Sun - Horse Show (11 a.m. – 4 p.m.).

www.festivalofthehorse.info.com

502-863-5424

Oct 3 – 5 - Appalachian Harvest Festival

Renfro Valley - Renfro Valley Entertainment Center

An old-fashioned celebration of the fall harvest including molasses made by mule-drawn press, authentic covered wagon train, antique farm machinery and steam engine show, clogging, mountain music, children's activities, country and comedy talent search and craft demonstrations featuring blacksmithing, basket weaving and much more.

www.renfrovalley.com

800-765-7464

Oct 3 – Oct 5 - Geocaching Weekend

Dawson Springs - Pennyryle Forest State Resort Park

Use your GPS unit to find hidden treasures as Pennyryle Forest State Resort Park hosts their 4th Geocaching Weekend. There will be a night cache, find the most micro caches contest, first-to-find cache and traditional caches. Guarantee of at least 30 caches to find. \$10 per geocacher, \$5 if you register by September 25th. Event participants are eligible for a 10% discount on lodging.

www.parks.ky.gov

800-325-1711

Oct 3 – 5 - Horse Campers Weekend

Burkesville - Dale Hollow Lake State Resort Park

Saddle up and ride over to the campground for a stompin' good time. Guided trail rides Saturday at 10 a.m. along beautiful scenic trails. After your ride, sit back and relax while you enjoy a bean and cornbread dinner. Sunday is "ride the trails on your own" day.

www.parks.ky.gov

270-433-7431

Oct 3 – 5 - Caneyville Fair & Homecoming

Caneyville - This annual event held the first weekend of October includes parade, rides, booths, pageants and lots of fun.

www.graysoncountytourism.com

270-259-2735

Oct 3 – 5 - Breathitt County Heritage Fair

Jackson - Douthitt Park

Celebrate Breathitt County's Heritage. This year's theme is "Hometown Heroes - recognizing our soldiers, teachers, emergency personnel and others who "serve". Free concert Saturday the 4th featuring country music star Sammy Kershaw. Music, food, crafts and rides for the kids. Saturday at 10 a.m. participate in the Masonic Scholarship Golf Tournament at Sugarcamp, watch the huge parade at 11 a.m. on Highway 15 and join the Falcon Coal Company Reunion. Sunday is Seniors Day and events have been planned for seniors.

www.breathittheritagefair.com

606-824-4167

Oct 3 – 5 - Mandolin Farm Trade Days

Flemingsburg

Keeping traditions alive! If it exists, it can be found at the Mandolin Farm Trade Days. Shoppers can browse hundreds of vendors for both new and used items: antiques, collectibles, rustic furniture, clothing, toys, furniture, iron works and much more!

www.mandolinfarmbluegrass.net

606-845-3693

Oct 3 – 5 - Heart of the Bluegrass Antique & Collectible Show

Harrodsburg

You can shop for quality antiques and fine collectibles in Historic Harrodsburg. Hours: Fri 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. (special events will be held on Friday evenings); Sat 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sun 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Free Admission 859-691-0496

Oct 3 – 5 - Fall Crawl for St. Jude's Kids ATV Event

Evarts

Fall Crawl for St. Jude's Kids at the Verda Event Field in Evarts. Drag race, mud bog, obstacle courses, and ATV and food vendors. \$5 entry fee for all events. Kid's events are free.

www.harlancountytourism.com

877-737-0778

Oct 3 – 5 - St. James Court Art Show -50th Annual

Louisville - Historic Old Louisville

More than 700 artists from across the nation will be showcasing their talent in one of the oldest and largest art shows in the country. This is the number one ranked art show in the country.

www.stjamescourtartshow.com

502-635-1842

Oct 3 – 5 - Third Annual Hwy 60 Yard Sale

Hardinsburg

Travel along U.S. 60 between Sullivan and Muldraugh to find your perfect treasure. The event is being sponsored by tourism groups in six counties (Union, Henderson, Daviess, Hancock, Breckinridge and Meade counties). Vendors are encouraged to set up all along the route.

www.visitbreckinridgecountyky.com

270-756-0268

Oct 3 – 25 – Fall Meet at Keeneland Race Track

Lexington

Enjoy thoroughbred racing at this historic track. Gates open at 11 a.m. with first post time at 1:10 p.m.

No racing Monday and Tuesday. Free parking.

www.keeneland.com

800-456-3412

Oct 4 - Train Robbery

New Haven - Kentucky Railway Museum

Join us for a wild ride as your train gets robbed by a rootin' tootin' gang of train robbers.

www.kyrail.org

800-272-0152

Oct 4 - Ghost Trek

Bardstown - The Old Stable Restaurant - A guided tour with a certified ghost hunter. 45 minute presentation of ghostly activity, followed by a walking tour of downtown Bardstown during which historic and ghostly happenings are related. Every Saturday evening.

www.ghostchasers.com

859-576-5517 or 800-638-4877

Oct 4 – Cruisin' On Main

London

Car show showcasing many of the southeast's finest cars. This is a non-judged event open to car enthusiasts. Free admission.

www.cruisinonmain.com

606-878-2064

Oct 4 - 27th Annual Metcalfe County Pumpkin Festival

Edmonton

A festival in celebration of fall and the pumpkin. Pumpkins are carved, dressed up, weighed and cooked. The town square is turned into a sea of booths of arts and crafts, food, games and information. This event gets bigger every year. Events include a 5K run, car and truck show, antique tractor show and games, out house dash, pancake breakfast, monster dance contest, Karaoke contest, costume contest, and pumpkin carving contest. Gospel music and many other activities.

www.metcalfechamber.com

270-432-3222

Oct 4 - Country Festival & Back Forty Nature Walk

Paris - Reed Valley Orchard

Hike the nature trail of this 20-acre scenic farm. Enjoy a fun-filled festive day with local craft vendors and food booths. Pick your favorite from 50 varieties of apples.

www.reedvalleyorchard.com

859-987-6480

Oct 4 - Invasive Species Volunteer Workshops

Slade - Natural Bridge State Resort Park

Help stop the invasion of non-native exotic plants by volunteering to assist the naturalist staff in pulling and cutting some of the worst invaders! This is a great opportunity for individuals and groups to improve the environmental health of our public lands! Each volunteer day begins at 9 a.m. in the Hemlock Lodge lobby, and ends whenever you get tired! Pre-registration is encouraged. Fighting off these alien invaders is an ongoing battle at Natural Bridge. If you are unable to help during these days but can come out and help some other time please give us a call. This is a great opportunity for community service for scouts and schools! Please contact Noelle Grunwald at noelle.grunwald@ky.gov for more information.

www.parks.ky.gov

606-663-2214

Oct 4 - Buffalo Daze

Stamping Ground

There will be arts and crafts, buffalo burgers, apple pies, mechanical bull, rock wall, music, entertainment and lots of family fun. Hours: 10 a.m. -5 p.m.

502-535-6885

Oct 4 – 5 – Green River Area Development District Arts and Crafts Festival

Henderson - John James Audubon State Park

Huge arts and crafts show with food and handmade crafts. This is one of the largest shows in the state.

www.gradd.com

270-926-4433

Oct 4 – 5 - "The World's Largest Halloween Party at the Louisville Zoo"

Louisville - The Louisville Zoo

Not-too-scary, Halloween fun for the entire family with larger-than-life costumed characters and fanciful storybook scenes throughout the zoo. Trick-or-treating for the 11-and-under set. Special ticket is required.

www.louisvillezoo.org

502-459-2181

Oct 4 – 5 - Aussie Fest at Kentucky Down Under – Hardin, Grayson, Green & LaRue Co. Days

Horse Cave

Aussie Fest is a celebration of Australian Culture with special events and fun contests for both children and adults alike. Plus residents of Hardin, Grayson, Green and LaRue receive admission for only \$5.00 per person!

www.kdu.com

270-786-2634

Oct 4 – 5 – Ward Hall Open House

Georgetown

Tour this historic mansion the first weekend of the month. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Sun. 12 - 5 p.m. Located on US 460, west of downtown Georgetown.

www.wardhall.info.com

Oct 4 – 5 - Barren River's Overnight Canoe/Camping Trip

Lucas, Barren River Lake State Resort Park

Join us as we canoe the scenic Green River within the boundaries of Mammoth Cave National Park and camp along the river bank. We provide all equipment and training. Pre-registration is required.

www.parks.ky.gov

270-646-2151

Oct 4 – 5 - Greenbo Craft Show

Greenup - Greenbo Lake State Resort

Tri-state area crafts persons put their works on display. Browse through the many rows of woodworking, baskets, quilts, soaps, rock painting and many other fine crafts. Hours: Sat 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Sun 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Admission is free.

www.parks.ky.gov

800-325-0083

October 4-5 - Old Cider Days Festival at Boyd Orchard

Woodford County – Boyd Orchard

Boyd Orchard is located in the heart of the Bluegrass in Woodford County. The farm includes a full restaurant, gift shop, large playground, hayrides, animal display center, corn maze, and pony rides.

www.boydorchards.com

859-837-3097

October 4–26 - Fall Festivals

Bowling Green – Jacksons Orchard

Every weekend.

<http://www.jacksonsorchar.com>

270-781-5303

Oct 4 – 11 - Logan County Tobacco & Heritage Festival

Russellville

Parade, live music, entertainment, crafts, 5K run and walk, food booths, pageants, gospel music, Jesse James Bank robbery re-enactment, craft show, pancake breakfast, historic walking tours, pet show, karaoke contest and much more. Be one of the 25,000 people that attend this event annually.

www.loganchamber.com

270-726-2206

Oct 4 – 11 - Heart of Kentucky Quilt Shop Hop

Mount Sterling - Sterling Thimble Quilt Shop

In October, fourteen Kentucky Quilt Shop Owners will join together in the annual Heart of Kentucky Quilt Shop Hop. Each shop hop participant can purchase a passport at any participating quilt shop and travel to the fourteen quilt shops during the week of October 4 thru October 11. At each shop, participants will get their passport stamped; receive a free pattern, sign up for great door prizes, and shop! After visiting

all fourteen quilt shops, participants should turn in their completed passport to be eligible for grand prizes. Great fun for all who participate.
www.heartofkentuckyquiltshophop.com
859-498-0860

Oct 4 – 25 - White Water Rafting

Elkhorn City - Breaks Interstate Park
Enjoy the beautiful fall foliage in the mountains and view first hand the rafters from the many overlooks in the park. Quite an experience!
www.breakspark.com
606-432-2534

Oct 4 – 25 - Blow a Pumpkin!

Louisville - Glassworks
One of the most original blows at Glassworks, each pumpkin is TRULY unique! Choose pumpkin and stem color. Hours: Saturdays Oct. 4 thru 25, 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. Cost: \$60. Reservations required.
www.louisvilleglassworks.com
502-992.3266

Oct 4 – 26 – Pumpkin Days

Walton
Benton Farms U-Pick (weekends)
www.kyagr.com/bentonfarms.htm
859-485-7000

Oct 5 - Special Olympics - Equestrian

Lexington - Kentucky Horse Park
Special Olympics, Ky
www.KyHorsePark.com
502-695-8222

Oct 5 - Mark Twain Among the Insects

Owensboro
There will be a presentation by Robert Valentine of Murray in conjunction with the Big Bugs Exhibit.
270-852-8925

Oct 5 - Kentucky Off-Road Hare Scrambles Championship Series

Clay City
There will be an off-road motorcycle and ATV Race over natural terrain. Courses are normally 8-12 miles long. See the website for the full schedule, directions, rules and results.
www.kyharescramble.com

Oct 6 – 7 - Oktoberfest at Fourth Street Live!

Louisville
Two full days of live music, German food and great beer.
www.4thstlive.com
502-584-7170