



Four Destinations for Fall-Themed Getaways

(June 26, 2025) Today, we're rounding up fall-themed destination getaways from [MBPR's](#) client roster. Whether you're looking to travel with girlfriends, itching for adventure, booking a romantic getaway or planning some family fun, we've got you covered. Read on for more details.



*Relax with your girlfriends on the famed Veranda at The Otesaga Resort Hotel.
Photo Credit: The Otesaga Resort Hotel*

[The Otesaga Resort Hotel in Cooperstown, New York](#)

Type of Getaway: Girls Weekend

About Cooperstown: Nicknamed “America’s Most Perfect Village,” [Cooperstown](#) is tucked in the foothills of the Northern Catskill Mountains of New York, and is known for having some of the earliest – and most fabulous – views of fall foliage. [The Otesaga Resort Hotel](#) is the place to stay in Cooperstown. The resort can accommodate any type of girlfriend getaway you’re looking for: wellness weekend, golf getaway, small town exploration and more.

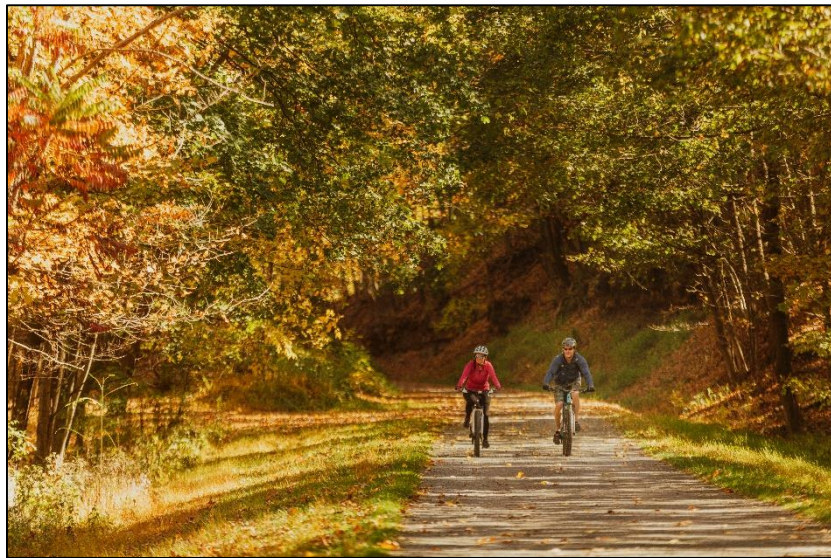
What to Do with Your Girlfriends:

- Leaf-peeping from the famed Veranda at The Otesaga Resort Hotel is a must.
- Coming Soon: The Otesaga will offer fall “Moon Walks,” starting with September’s Corn Moon (followed by a Harvest Moon Walk in October).
- Rent bikes to explore this charming destination and take in the vibrant fall scenery.
- Golf with your favorite female foursome at the award-winning [Leatherstocking Golf Course](#).
- Book a seasonal treatment at the boutique [Hawkeye Spa](#), which recently underwent a renovation.
- Check out the [National Baseball Hall of Fame](#)’s exhibit that shares the stories of women in baseball.

Where to Eat:

- Dine at [1909](#), a restaurant that offers seasonal menus with an emphasis on fresh, local ingredients.
- Sophisticate your Sunday with “Afternoon Tea with a Twist” at The Otesaga.
- For a beverage tasting or to pick up gourmet specialty foods and locally grown apples for a picnic, visit [Fly Creek Cider Mill & Orchard](#)’s Tasting Room for beverage tasting flights, gourmet specialty foods and an incredible array of locally grown apples.

Where to Stay: Clearly, the place to stay is ... [The Otesaga Resort Hotel](#). Situated on the southern shore of Otsego Lake, the historic hotel offers unmatched views of the water and surrounding hills. For fall getaways, the resort always offers a “Fall Harvest” room package special, plus there will be two [Wellness Weekend Packages](#) this autumn.



Ride along the picturesque landscapes of the Great Allegheny Passage (GAP) Trail.

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[Allegany County, “The Mountain Side of Maryland”](#) and [Rocky Gap Casino, Resort & Golf](#)

Type of Getaway: Outdoor Adventure

About Allegany County: Mother Nature is the star of the show on the Mountain Side of Maryland. With nearly 70,000 acres of public land in [Allegany County](#), the ways in which leaf-peepers can experience the great outdoors seem limitless. Located in the “ridge and valley” region of the oldest mountain range in the U.S. – the Appalachian Mountains – Allegany County awaits the adventurous traveler.

Adventures to Experience:

- Bicycle along the picturesque landscapes of the Appalachian Mountains on the Great Allegheny Passage (GAP). For an organized trip, check out local outfitter [Wheelzup Adventures](#), which offers “The Big Deal” ride, a carefully curated 25-mile downhill route, along which cyclists see lush vistas, charming towns and historic landmarks.
- Bring your own watercraft (canoe or kayak) to launch at [Rocky Gap State Park’s](#) 243-acre Lake Habeeb, home to what’s considered the bluest waters in Maryland. Hiking is available year-round at this state park, which boasts 3,000 acres of public land (the popular Lakeside Loop Trail is a moderate and scenic 5.3-mile trail that encircles Lake Habeeb).

- Go Fishing. The creeks, rivers and waterways that flow through the Mountain Side of Maryland are the perfect place to cast a line. Check out the local [fishing hotspots](#), which include Dan's Mountain State Park, Rocky Gap State Park's Lake Habeeb and more. Sideling Hill Creek State Park is also home to a stocked trout stream.
- Hike the C&O Canal National Historical Park. The [C&O Canal](#) towpath stretches 184.5 miles from Georgetown in Washington, DC, to the heart of Cumberland in Allegany County. A true highlight along the Canal is the [Paw Paw Tunnel](#), which is an architectural marvel. It's located at Mile Marker 155.2 and it's very dark ... so it's a good idea to travel through it with a flashlight.

Where to Eat:

- Explore Mountain Maryland's Food Trails. You can find a trail for just about any type of adventure you're seeking ... including food! Hyperlocal food and beverage trails include the [Donut & Coffee Trail](#) (Basecamp Coffee is legendary here), the [Tap and Pour Craft Beverage Tour](#) and the [Ice Cream Trail](#) (don't miss Queen City Creamery Scoop Shop in downtown Cumberland).
- Drink (and eat) at the trailheads. [Dig Deep Brewing](#) is located at the convergence of the trailheads of the C&O Canal and GAP Trail, and it's walkable to all the downtown hotels, attractions and retailers. On the weekends, catch live music and food trucks.

Where to Stay: [Rocky Gap Casino, Resort & Golf](#). Located inside Rocky Gap State Park in Flintstone, Maryland, Rocky Gap Casino Resort & Golf offers thousands of acres of public land and gorgeous views of fall foliage right at your doorstep.



*A romantic stop in Shenandoah County, Virginia, is Star in the Valley Winery.
Photo Credit: Shenandoah County Tourism*

[Shenandoah County, Virginia](#) and [Spring Valley Cottages at Woodbine Farm Market](#)

Type of Getaway: Romantic

About Shenandoah County: Shenandoah County, Virginia, is home to captivating small towns and villages, mountaintop resorts, the beauty of nature, and a true commitment to agritourism. It's a haven for dreamers ... and romantic leaf-peepers.

Romantic Experiences:

- Stop by [Woodbine Farm Market](#), located on a Century Farm, to pick up the region's best and freshest products. With a mix of seasonal produce, fresh baked goods and specialty items, it offers the perfect combination for a romantic picnic.
- Bring your picnic dinner (see above!) and enjoy a wine tasting at [Star in the Valley Winery](#), which offers traditional tastings, tasting flights and bottle/glass sales. The views here are beyond belief.
- Take a [scenic drive](#) that showcases Shenandoah County's natural beauty ... and fall foliage! Follow Route 11 past quaint towns, lush farms and breathtaking mountain overlooks.

Where to Eat:

- Eat locally and sustainably at [Blue Wing Frog](#), which features a globally inspired menu made from scratch.
- Enjoy dinner at [Box Office Brewery](#), located in an old theater. Believed to be the first large, fully developed movie theater in the county, the venue fittingly hosts live bands on Friday and Saturday nights, with Sundays reserved for open mic nights.
- Stop by [Cordial Coffee](#) (located right next door to Box Office Brewery) on your way out of town for a delicious coffee-and-waffle breakfast.

Where to Stay: [Spring Valley Cottages at Woodbine Farm Market](#). Offering four unique lodging options (all named for birds: The Bluebird, The Cardinal, The Goldfinch and The Wren), The Cottages at Woodbine Farm Market in Strasburg provide the perfect home base for a romantic weekend.



*Stay at Dollywood's HeartSong Lodge & Resort for a family-friendly getaway.
Photo Credit: The Dollywood Company*

[Dollywood](#) and [Dollywood's HeartSong Lodge & Resort](#)

Type of Getaway: Family-Friendly

About Destination Dollywood: [Dollywood](#), located in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, has been generating family memories for 40 seasons. A recognized leader in the amusement industry, Dollywood sits on 165 acres and is located near Great Smoky Mountains National Park. In addition to the theme park are two award-winning resort properties: [Dollywood's DreamMore Resort and Spa](#) and [Dollywood's HeartSong Lodge & Resort](#). (Dollywood's Splash Country is also part of this collection, but is not open past September!)

Family-Friendly Experiences:

- Families can enjoy the seasonal [Harvest Festival](#), which runs this year from September 12 through October 27. Each fall, the park features towering pumpkin displays; Dolly-inspired sights like a larger-than-life glowing guitar playing a melody; live musical performances including Southern gospel, bluegrass and country tunes; more than 50 world-class rides and attractions; and delicious fall-themed treats featuring pumpkin and apple flavors. At night the park transforms into “Great Pumpkin LumiNights,” where guests can view more than 12,000 illuminated pumpkins that have been carved into whimsical figures.
- [Camp DW](#) at HeartSong Lodge & Resort features fun-filled indoor and outdoor activities and themed programming for kids. Weekly schedules can include arts, crafts, library time, campfire roasties and more.

Where to Eat:

- Mountain-fresh seasonal flavors abound with the Harvest Festival Tasting Pass at Dollywood, through which guests can try up to five festival foods for one price.
- At Dollywood’s HeartSong Lodge & Resort, [dining options](#) include Ember & Elm, the resort’s signature restaurant; High Note, a casual dining and drink restaurant; a Door Delivery option (room service); and more.

Where to Stay: [Dollywood’s HeartSong Lodge & Resort](#). The family suite experience here features a mural of the Smokies, a sound machine that replicates such familiar tones as a crackling fire, and both a king bed and bunk beds. The Lodge also offers unbeatable hospitality and exclusive complimentary privileges, including TimeSaver passes, door-to-door transportation, preferred parking at Dollywood parks, and package delivery for purchases made at Dollywood theme park.

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