



# ON FOOT or On Wheels

Different ways to explore West Bloomfield this fall

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It's almost impossible to live in a state as beautiful as Michigan and not go exploring. There's an endless amount of fresh lakes, hiking paths, parks, and best of all, activities you can do all year round.

We are heading into one of the most popular times of the year – fall.

Fall provides us a lot of opportunities to explore the beauty of the great Mitten State, and West Bloomfield is the perfect place to get started. With nearly 600 acres of public parkland, a variety of wildlife and almost four miles of water

within the township – earning the township the nickname of “Lake Township of Oakland County” – West Bloomfield is a prime location to begin your explorations.

Here are a few ways you can explore the township this autumn season:

## On Foot

**Great West Bloomfield Camp Out:** See how West Bloomfield looks under the stars during our annual Camp Out on Friday, September 20. Whether you're new at camping or a seasoned pro, this event provides a great chance to hear nocturnal creatures, view the stars under a telescope, see nature as it's lit up by glow golf and more!

**MI Trails Week Hike:** Celebrate all the amazing trails West Bloomfield has to offer while you hike with a naturalist in the West Bloomfield Woods Nature

Preserve on Tuesday, September 24. During the hike, enjoy the wonderful fall colors, see if you can spot wildlife and play trail games.



**Trick-or-Treat Trail:** Dress up in your Halloween costume on Sunday, October 27, as you explore one of the largest parks in West Bloomfield: Marshbank Park. You'll also have the chance to enjoy cider and donuts, get treats along a half-mile paved trail, guess the size of a locally grown pumpkin and take home a keepsake bag.

## On Wheels

**Fall Colors Segway Tour:** Be one of the first people in West Bloomfield to



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explore the fall colors of Michigan on a Segway as you ride on the West Bloomfield Trail. Our new Fall Colors Segway Tour runs every Thursday in October and one on Saturday, October 12 with a naturalist.

**Hayrides with a Naturalist:** Enjoy the beautiful fall foliage at Marshbank Park on a tractor-drawn hayride on October 17 and 18. Anyone ages 3 and up can enjoy the naturalist-led hayride to learn about Michigan plants and animals during a few special stops. New this year are mini-hayrides without a naturalist (ages 1 and up).

**Trips:** WB Parks hosts many trips you can take to explore Michigan this fall, all leaving from the Recreation Activities Center. On the bus ride to a variety of exciting destinations, you'll continue to enjoy the changing colors of the season in our surrounding communities. A few of the available trips include: Murder on the Orient Express & Lunch, Black History Tour of Midtown & Lunch and Tea at the Whitney.

Pre-registration is required for all events and activities listed above. For more information, as well as to find other things to do in West Bloomfield this fall, visit [wbparks.org](http://wbparks.org) or check us out on Facebook or Instagram.

