

Browne's Addition

Neighborhood Scavenger Hunt



Scavenger Stop: Coeur d'Alene Park – Spokane's First Public Park

Find the place where neighbors gather under tall trees, autumn leaves crunch underfoot, and the historic gazebo takes center stage!

Fun Fact: Coeur d'Alene Park is Spokane's oldest public park, established in 1891! In the fall, the park transforms into a canopy of golds and oranges. The gazebo, once home to lively summer concerts and block parties, now feels like the perfect spot for cozy harvest gatherings, crisp walks, and quiet community moments surrounded by autumn beauty.

Activity: Autumn Festival Dream Concert! Imagine you're setting up for a fall celebration in the park. Where would the band play? How would you decorate maybe pumpkins, hay bales, and lanterns? Can you act out your dream autumn event with neighbors enjoying music, cider, and dancing among the falling leaves?

Scavenger Stop: Overlook Park – Bridges and Big Views 🍂

Find the spot with benches, crisp autumn air, and a sweeping view of the valley painted in fall colors. Don't forget your sweater, it can get chilly up here!

Fun Fact: Overlook Park sits 500 feet above the creek. What used to be just empty lot is now a beautiful overlook and trailhead where you can see the city framed by autumn leaves and golden light.

Activity: Fall Bridge Challenge! Count how many bridges you can spot from the overlook. Try an echo-call across the valley and see if the sound carries through the crisp air. Walk a little way down the trail

Scavenger Stop: People's Park – Layers of History

Walk where rivers meet and autumn leaves scatter across the ground, carrying stories from long ago. The crisp fall air makes it the perfect time to pause and take in the view.

Fun Fact: Archaeologists found evidence of human life here dating back over 8,000 years. This land, now called People's Park, was once a salmon fishing site for Indigenous peoples and continues to be an important cultural landmark today. In the fall, you can imagine warm campfires glowing against the cool evenings, with the sound of rushing water nearby.

Activity: River Meeting Challenge! Listen closely, what do you hear in the fall air? Rustling leaves, flowing water, maybe even the echo of salmon splashing long ago. Close your eyes and imagine what it might have sounded like here thousands of years back during autumn

Scavenger Stop: Haunted Walking Tour – Browne's Addition

In Spokane's oldest neighborhood, autumn leaves swirl around grand old homes, and the streets hold stories from long ago.

Fun Fact: The Haunted Walking Tour of Browne's Addition mixes local history with a dash of mystery. You'll hear tales from old newspapers, legends passed down, and stories collected by author Chet Caskey. Instead of being too scary, the tour highlights Spokane's past everything from forgotten cemeteries to family disagreements that left their mark.

Activity: Friendly Frights Challenge! Use the custom Google Map or download the PDF from Spokane Public Library's website. As you walk, pick one house and make up your own spooky-but-silly story. Maybe a ghost who loves pumpkin pie, a friendly black cat who guides trick-or-treaters, or neighbors who turn their porch into a harvest party every fall.

Scavenger Stop: Coeur d'Alene Farmers Market

Fun Fact: Farmers markets aren't just for grown-ups! The Farmers Market at Coeur d'Alene park is a place where families can explore together, discover crisp apples, bright pumpkins, and other fall favorites grown by nearby farmers. It's like a giant outdoor treasure hunt for healthy snacks plus, you get to meet the people who grew them! Ends November 22, 2025.

Activity: "Fall Harvest Color Hunt!"

Can you find a fruit or veggie in each of these colors?

🍎 Red – 🍌 Green – 🍋 Yellow – 🍁 Orange – 🍇 Purple

Bonus: Ask a farmer what their favorite fall crop is and why!

Scavenger Stop: Redband Park

Can you spot the signs about protecting fish and wildlife?

Fun Fact: This park once held a big stadium called Glover Field, where the community gathered for parades and football games under the crisp autumn skies. Today, it's named after the Redband Rainbow Trout a bright, colorful fish important to the Spokane Tribe. The new name is a reminder, like the turning leaves, to take care of the river and all who depend on it.

Activity: The Trout Tracker Fall Challenge!

Pretend to swim like a Redband Trout through a swirl of falling leaves across the field. Then, see if you can find three signs of autumn in nature crunchy leaves, busy squirrels gathering food, or rippling water reflecting the golden trees!

Congratulations, explorers!

*Don't forget to continue the fun...
Explore the bonus stops on the back!*

Bonus Stop: Your Local Library!

While you're out exploring this fall, don't forget to swing by your local library!

Cozy up with story times, borrow books and games, or check out activity kits to keep your autumn full of learning and play. From crisp fall reads to creative projects, it's the perfect way to keep the adventure going all season long!

Bonus Stop: Explore Fall Activities with EngageIRL!

Discover a world of fall fun for kids and families in Spokane! EngageIRL connects families with a variety of local opportunities, from seasonal sports leagues to art classes and community events. It's all about helping kids get active, make new friends, and explore their interests beyond the classroom.

Bonus Stop: Your Local Public School Playground

Visit your neighborhood school playground this fall! The crisp air and colorful leaves make it the perfect spot to climb, slide, and explore. Tip: Playgrounds are closed during school hours and for an hour after, but weekends are ideal for outdoor fun.

Bonus Stop: Your Local Business & Community Center!

Explore your neighborhood! Stop by a local business (like a bakery, barber shop, or market) and visit your community center to see what events or resources they offer for families. These places are great for making connections and learning more about your area!

Bonus Stop: The Great Pumpkinfest: Bricks Brewing company

Love Your Neighbor Foundation and Bricks West Brewing present The Great Pumpkin Fest—a giant charity pumpkin sale with free family fun! Join over four festive fall weekends (September 26–28, October 3–5, October 10–12, and October 17–19) for face painting and a petting zoo every Saturday and Sunday, line dancing on Fridays, and live music on Saturday nights. Come pick your perfect pumpkin, enjoy fall activities, and support a great cause!

Bonus Stop: Main Market Community Dinners

Grab a yummy hot dinner for just five dollars at Main Market! This is a special spot where neighbors come together to share fresh, healthy food!!

Bonus Tip! Once the Farmers Market closes for the season, you can still visit the Scalehouse for farm-fresh fruits, veggies, meats, and dairy year-round it's an indoor farmers market with so much more! They've created a beautiful community hub right by the bus stop, making it easy to get there via public 4422 E 8th Ave, Spokane Valley, WA 99212

Mini Activity:

Draw a "Neighborhood Treasure Map" with your child—mark the business, the community center, and one fun thing you saw at each place!

🍁 You've completed the adventure — for now! 🍁

Celebrate the season with your family and friends! Make a heart with your hands at your favorite fall stop and share it with #LaunchFamilyFun on Facebook or Instagram for a chance to win a cozy autumn gift basket!

We'll be picking one lucky winner each month through the fall season.

Keep exploring—whether it's history, nature, or your local community, there's so much to discover in the crisp, colorful days of autumn!

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