

# **East Central**

## **Neighborhood Scavenger Hunt**



Scavenger Stop: Underhill Park — Built for Play
Leaves twirl down as kids run fast
A park for games both new and past

Fun Fact: Underhill Park opened in 1912 and was one of Spokane's very first parks made for play. The first playground toys here even came from the old fairgrounds.

Activity: Pretend you are a sports announcer and call out an exciting game. Little ones can play "sports pose freeze"—strike a pose like a ball player or runner and let others guess your sport!

Scavenger Stop: Liberty Park
Golden leaves swirl as you explore
This park holds secrets from long before

Fun Fact: Liberty Park used to be one of Spokane's grandest parks.

Even though the highway changed it, you can still find caves, winding trails, and an overlook with amazing views.

Activity: Be a nature detective. Look for clues like animal tracks, colorful leaves, shiny rocks, or birds near the overlook. What treasures can you discover today?

Scavenger Stop: Carl Maxey Center

A mural that speaks—literally!

Fun Fact: This interactive mural celebrates 20 Black community leaders from East Central. With the Artive app, you can hold your phone up to a yellow-outlined face and hear that person's story come to life!

Activity: Younger kids can pick a person and give them a name and a fun fact. Older kids can listen to a story through the app and share what inspired them most!

Scavenger Stop: Ben Burr Trail — Tracks to Trails

Crunchy leaves line a path so wide

Trains once rumbled where we walk and ride

Fun Fact: This trail was once a railroad track. Now it is a familyfriendly walking path named after Benjamin Burr. It goes about three miles through the neighborhood.

Activity: Pretend you are the train conductor. What is your train carrying today pumpkins, apples, or something silly? Announce it to your crew as you go!

Scavenger Stop: Music Mural at New Developed Nations
Colors shout and voices soar
Stories live here forevermore

Fun Fact: This mural celebrates the power of music and art. Kids and teens use songs, poems, and paintings to share their feelings, dreams, and voices with the world.

Activity: Make up a line of a song or a poem about your day. Tap, clap, or stomp to make your own powerful beat!

Scavenger Stop: Spokane's Stonehenge Crunchy leaves scatter on the ground Basalt stones and paths are all around

Fun Fact: Long ago, Liberty Park had a grand design with stone paths and basalt walls. Today, the ruins give a special overlook of the park.

Activity: Be a nature detective. Search for pieces of the old stone path.

Touch the basalt walls and imagine what the park looked like long

ago. Can you share your story with a friend?

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 us 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 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!



