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The resort offers an array of cabins situated deep in the woods.

Move Over New England; Fall Foliage in Southern West Virginia's New River Gorge National Park and Preserve is an Unforgettable Adventure

FAYETTEVILLE, W.Va., August 25, 2022 - Long after the rest of the East has dropped the curtain on its annual fall show, Southern West Virginia's [New River Gorge](#) will still be awash in shades of orange, red, and yellow. Fall color generally peaks in late October, making it an especially appealing destination for travelers from the mid-Atlantic, Midwest and Southeast who are seeking a nearby fall getaway.

Right in the middle of the colorful splendor is [Adventures on the Gorge](#) (AOTG), situated on the rim of the gorge adjacent to the New River Gorge National Park and Preserve, the country's newest national park. Adventures on the Gorge is one of the country's first and largest adventure resorts, with an array of adventures, accommodations, restaurants and more.



The resort's ziplines are popular in fall.



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The region's dense forests feature more than 100 species of native deciduous trees such as beech, birch, oaks, ash, walnut, cherry, box elder, poplar and elm. The array of fall colors is easily viewed from hiking trails, lookout points, the famed New River Gorge Bridge and National Park Service Visitor Center. Resort guests enjoy multiple viewpoints such as various decks overlooking the gorge, the pool area, Smokey's on the Gorge restaurant and Chetty's Pub.

"Good things come in trees, and I believe our trees in all their fall glory rival any other destination in the country" said Roger Wilson, CEO of Adventures on the Gorge. "As the rafting season begins to wind down on the New River, we see more of our guests choose adventures that are up in the air, where they can get birds'-eye views of the dramatic colors."

The resort's most popular aerial adventure is [TreeTops Zipline Canopy Tour](#), with 10 zips that travel from tree to tree through the Eastern hemlock forest on the sprawling resort campus. The resort helps preserve the majestic forest by guarding against the devastating climate-related impacts of an invasive bug called the Woolly Adelgid. A portion of zipline fees is used to fund tree inoculation that protects from the impacts of the bug.

Other aerial adventures for tree-loving guests include the [TimberTrek Adventure Park](#), [Gravity Ziplines](#) and a [Bridge Walk](#) beneath the surface of the New River Gorge Bridge.

Fall is also "[Gauley Season](#)," when the nearby Gauley River becomes a raging whitewater behemoth. Whitewater enthusiasts travel from around the world to paddle the "Beast of the East." The annual two-month event occurs every September and October when the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers releases water from Summersville Lake, creating 26 miles of thrilling rapids, including several Class Vs.

Rafting season concludes each year with a huge annual event called [Bridge Day](#), Southern West Virginia's heart-pounding, high-flying and charmingly crazy festival that celebrates the life-changing, architecturally significant [New River Gorge Bridge](#). Scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 15, the vibrant fall foliage of the region creates a stunning photographic backdrop as hundreds of spectators line the closed-to-traffic bridge to watch some of the world's most experienced BASE (Building, Antenna, Span and Earth) jumpers parachute, rappel and catapult 876 feet to the [New River](#) below. Many guests set up home base at Adventures on the Gorge to participate in the wonderfully raucous celebration.

The resort offers numerous lodging and adventure [packages](#) throughout the season.

What to know about Adventures on the Gorge

Named one of the top adventure resorts in the country by [U.S. News & World Report](#), Adventures on the Gorge is located on more than 350 acres along the rim of the majestic New River Gorge near Fayetteville, W.Va. The resort provides an array of outdoor experiences including whitewater rafting on the New and Gauley Rivers, aerial adventures, rock climbing, rappelling, kayaking, stand up paddle boarding, fishing, mountain biking and hiking. There are also restaurants, bars and shops as well as a small-group conference center. Visitors can choose from a variety of [accommodations](#) and [vacation packages](#).

Travelers can find out more about Adventures on the Gorge [online](#), by calling 1-855-379-8738, or connecting on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), [TripAdvisor](#), [YouTube](#), and [Vimeo](#) and signing up for AOTG [e-newsletter](#).

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