

FALL COLOR REPORT 10/24/2011 for E-Mail

Welcome to Iowa's fall color report from the State Forest Nursery. This recording was made Monday, October 24th, 2011.

Bob Honeywell

In Northeast Iowa: In this area of Iowa the color is very subdued due to the increase in strong winds. However, the Red oaks and white oaks are turning bronze, but these are the only trees with color still left. The peak has passed.

John Byrd

In Southeast Iowa: Fall colors are still in full swing. The red oaks are changing quickly, but the white oak is lagging behind. All other species are done changing and showing good color right now. The peak has passed.

Joe Herring

In North Central Iowa: The colors are mostly gone in this part of Iowa, but the windy days over the past week have stripped the trees of their leaves. The oaks are varying shades from green to red to brown, and the maples are still showing good color. Most other trees are bare. The peak has passed.

George Warford

In Central Iowa: The oaks are brown. The sugar maples are turning a vibrant orange with still some green on them. All other trees in this area are bare. The peak has passed.

Jessica Flatt

In South Central Iowa: The trees are passed their peak in this area of Iowa. The oaks are now turning yellow and the leaves are starting to fall. Most of the trees are bare due to strong winds this week.

Joe Schwartz

In Northwest Iowa: In this part of Iowa the maples are going to a soft brown, while the oaks haven't started changing yet. Hackberry, ash, cottonwood, and basswood, are either yellow or bare due to rough winds and intense rain over the past week. The peak has passed.

Brent Olson

In Southwest Iowa: In this area of Iowa 50% of trees are done with fall color with 50-60% of their leaves gone. However, the prairie ridges are gorgeous right now. Hackberry and bitternut hickory are showing some yellow. Currently only 25% of trees are showing color. The oaks are still green. The peak for the oaks is right now, but the other trees colors are past peak.

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