

Events & Festivals



Top players from across the country will compete in the National Rolley Hole Marbles Championship in Hilham on Sept. 11.

Tennessee Events & Festivals

This listing includes a selection of events of statewide interest scheduled in September, October and November as provided to *Tennessee Home & Farm* by the Tennessee Department of Tourist Development.

To include your local events in our listing, please contact them at (615) 741-7994 or jamielynn.thompson@tn.gov. Due to space constraints, we are unable to include all of the events provided, but additional information and events can be found online through the department's Web site, www.tnvacation.com.

Events are subject to date change or cancellation; please call the contact listed before traveling long distances to attend.

SEPTEMBER

Riverfest – Sept. 10-11, Clarksville

The city celebrates its river heritage with a festival featuring musical entertainment, children's activities, arts & crafts, boat races and more. CONTACT: 866-557-9006

Mountaineer Folk Festival – Sept. 10-12, Pikeville

A weekend full of food, fun and crafts. Features traditional mountain music. CONTACT: 800-250-8611

Sierra Hull Bluegrass Festival – Sept. 11, Byrdstown

This festival honors Byrdstown's own child

prodigy, Sierra Hull, a mandolin player who has played at the Grand Ole Opry. CONTACT: 888-406-4704, dalehollow.com

National Rolley Hole Marbles Championship & Festival – Sept. 11, Hilham

This event features games for children, marble making, swap meet, tournament play, demonstrations, music and food. CONTACT: 800-713-5157

Fayette County Cotton Festival – Sept. 11, Historic Square, Somerville

Features demonstrations, vendors, music, car show, 5K run/walk, children's events and more. CONTACT: 901-465-8690, cottonfestivalatn.com

Arts & Crafts Festival – Sept. 11-12, Paris Landing State Park, Buchanan
Annual arts and crafts festival. CONTACT: 731-641-0269

Wings Over Halls Air Show – Sept. 11-12, Dyersburg Army Air Base, Halls

See magnificent warbirds fly in formation, maneuver through bombing and staffing runs, and aerobatics. Tribute to 65th anniversary of WWII and 9/11 victims. CONTACT: Pat Higdon, 731-836-7400

Bristol Rhythm & Roots Reunion – Sept. 17-19, Bristol

This event brings quality national, regional and local music to Bristol, "the Birthplace of Country Music." CONTACT: 423-573-4898, bristolrhythm.com

Maple Lane Farms Corn Maze – Sept. 17-Oct. 3, Greenback

Features a corn maze, musical entertainment and hayrides to the pumpkin field where people can pick their own pumpkin. Stay late and enjoy a huge campfire and fireworks. CONTACT: 865-856-3517

Pittman Center Heritage Day – Sept. 18, Sevierville

Clogging, bluegrass and gospel music, crafts, a benefit auction, genealogy records, and authentic Southern cooking will be available at the heritage celebration. CONTACT: 865-436-5499, pittmancenter.com

**Southern Fried Festival –
Sept. 24-25, Columbia**

Annual event features food, activities and live musical entertainment. CONTACT: 888-852-1860, southernfriedfest.com.

**Townsend in the Smokies Fall
Heritage Festival & Old Timers Day –
Sept. 24-25, Townsend Visitors
Center, Townsend**

A celebration of the traditional music, crafts, and heritage of Townsend, Blount County and the Great Smoky Mountains. Activities include bluegrass music, arts & crafts booths, antique tractor show, demonstrations and great food. CONTACT: 800-525-6834, smokymountainfestivals.org

**Buck Creek Trail Ride–
Sept. 24-26, Weaver Farms, Alamo**

St. Jude Trail Ride benefits St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. CONTACT: Kathy Moore, 731-617-1225, pantdrostran@rockett.net, www.buckcreektrailride.com

**Heritage Arts & Craft Show –
Sept. 25, Historic Downtown
Square, Covington**

Enjoy crafts, arts, quilts and folk art demonstrations, a kid's parade, antiques, music and food. CONTACT: 901-476-9727, covington-tiptonchamber.com

**Pace 27th Anniversary Antique Car
Show – Sept. 25, Martin Methodist
College, Pulaski**

The car show features 38 classes under 1985. CONTACT: Brenda Edwards, 931-363-2585, pacecarclub.com

**Mt. Juliet Pow Wow – Sept. 25-26,
Charlie Daniels Park, Mt. Juliet**

Listen to the beat of drums while experiencing the beauty and passion of an American Indian pow wow. American Indians come from across the country to participate in the dance and drum competition. CONTACT: Cindy Yahola, 615-443-1537, mtjulietpowwow.com

**Birds of Prey Program – Sept. 26,
Tims Ford State Park, Winchester**

Experience an incredible interaction with bald eagles, hawks, owls, falcons and even a very fun black vulture. Many of the birds are free-flying for an unforgettable "close encounter." Includes a nature hike and exhibits. CONTACT: 931-312-9174, tfeea.org

**Roller Coaster Yard Sale –
Sept. 30-Oct. 2, Celina**

tnhomeandfarm.com

More than 150 miles of yard sales, crafts, antiques, handcrafted quilts, produce, Southern foods, entertainment, parks and recreation areas, historic sites and more. CONTACT: Ike Bonecutter, 931-243-3974, dalehollowlake.org

OCTOBER

**Unicoi County Apple Festival –
Oct. 1-2, Erwin**

The two-day event offers handmade crafts, entertainment, children's area and the Blue Ridge Pottery show. The festival features more than 300 vendors highlighting arts, crafts and foods. CONTACT: 423-743-3000, unicoicounty.org

Octoberfest –

Oct. 1-2, Clarksville

Family fun European-style. Enjoy live bands and dancers, rides for kids of all ages, and German food. CONTACT: 931-624-5475, edelweissclarksville.org

**Reelfoot Arts & Crafts Festival –
Oct. 1-2, Reelfoot Lake State Park,
Tiptonville**

Features more than 300 exhibitors, including artists, potters, carvers, jewelry makers and music. Savor delicious barbecue, fried pies, ice cream and more. CONTACT: Anna Crocker, 731-885-7295, reelfootartsandcrafts.com

**34th Annual Barbeque Festival –
Oct. 1-2, Chester**

Barbecue, fun, talent, games, entertainment and much more. CONTACT: 731-989-5222, chestercountychamber.com

**National Storytelling Festival –
Oct. 1-3, Jonesborough**

Peppered with the flare and fun of blues, poetry, ballads and banjo music, the festival encompasses a wealth of cultures, geography, and styles – a world of stories within one small, historic town. CONTACT: 800-952-8392, storytellingcenter.net

**Gallatin's Main Street Festival –
Oct. 2, Gallatin Courthouse Square,
Gallatin**

Arts and crafts festival featuring two stages of entertainment, large children's area, vendors, and the Kansas City Barbeque Society cook-off. CONTACT: 888-301-7866, sumnercvb.com

**Candlelight Cemetery Tour –
Oct. 2, Gallatin**

Actors in period clothing tell the story of Sumner County's most colorful characters who are buried in the cemetery. CONTACT: 615-451-3738, sumnercvb.com

**Heritage Festival & Antique Tractor
Display – Oct. 2, Maynardville**

Event features a quilt and art competition, demonstrations of traditional blacksmithing, woodworking, soap making, food vendors, a cooking competition and gospel/bluegrass bands. CONTACT: 865-992-2811, comeherecomehome.com

**Allardt Great Pumpkin
Festival & Weigh Off –**

Oct. 1-2, Allardt

Crafts festival, entertainment, parade, car and motorcycle show, and the weigh off of giant pumpkins for world-record consideration.

CONTACT: 800-327-3945, allardtpumpkinfestival.com



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Nillie Bipper Arts & Crafts Festival – Oct. 2-3, Cleveland

This outdoor arts & crafts show features more than 75 exhibits, with food booths, entertainment and handcrafted arts & crafts items. CONTACT: John Simmons, 423-614-8690

Natchez Trace Pow Wow – Oct. 2-3, Historic Leiper's Fork Village, Franklin

Showcases the life and customs of American Indians. Experience traditional dances, storytelling, arts & crafts, traditional foods and more. CONTACT: 615-599-7347, natcheztracepowwow.com

Etowah Arts & Crafts Festival – Oct. 2-3, Historic L & N Depot, Etowah

Come and see some of the region's best crafters while enjoying two days of live entertainment, fun and food. CONTACT: 423-263-9475, etowahcoc.org

Needles-n-Pins Annual Quilt and Craft Show – Oct. 15-16, Bethel Springs

Handmade items including quilts, crafts, baked goods, baby items and decorative items. CONTACT: 731-934-4541, redwood_linda@hotmail.com



Tennessee Fall Homecoming – Oct 8-10, Museum of Appalachia, Norris

Fall Homecoming is one of the nation's largest and most authentic music, craft, and folk festivals. More than 400 musicians perform on five stages. Features storytelling, old time crafts, pioneer activities, country cooking and more. CONTACT: 865-494-7680, museumofappalachia.org

Goats, Music & More Festival – Oct. 8-10, Rock Creek Park, Lewisburg

Features concerts, fainting goat shows, barbecue cook-off, games, food, entertainment and more. CONTACT: Lisa Jackson, 931-359-1544, goatsmusicandmore.com

Heritage Days – Oct. 8-10, Historic Town Square, Rogersville

The square provides a warm, welcoming setting for Heritage Days, which features traditional music, storytellers, dancers, and special events for children, demonstrations of pioneer skills and more. CONTACT: 423-272-1961, rogersvilleheritage.org

Liberty Square Celebration & Lester Flatt Memorial Bluegrass Day – Oct. 9, Sparta

Pays tribute to bluegrass legend Lester Flatt with music, crafts, food, games and more. CONTACT: 931-836-3248, sparta-chamber.net

PurpleStride – Oct. 9, Chattanooga

Fundraiser for pancreatic cancer features a 5K run and 1-mile fun walk at Coolidge Park. Food and entertainment for all ages. CONTACT: 423-894-2744, purplestride.org

Tractors and Trucks Fall Harvest Show – Oct. 15-17, Goodlettsville

Event at Long Hollow Jamboree with antique tractors, trucks, crafts and more. CONTACT: 615-822-5504, tractorsandtrucks.com

Webb School Arts & Crafts Festival – Oct. 16-17, Bell Buckle

A juried art and craft show. Includes food from around the world, storytellers and musical entertainment. CONTACT: 931-389-9663, bellbucklechamber.com

Fall Folklore Jamboree – Oct. 16, Milan

Features more than 120 traditional folk artists, local bluegrass and gospel groups. Demonstrating traditional skills such as

soap making, blacksmithing, weaving, quilting and more. CONTACT: 731-686-8067, milan.tennessee.edu

Hatchie Fall Fest – Oct. 16, Historic Court Square, Brownsville

Local and regional entertainment, children's activities and crafts, food, contests, and more. CONTACT: 731-780-5144, hatchiefallfest.com

October Sky Fall Festival – Oct. 16, Oliver Springs

This free festival showcases the making of the movie *October Sky*. Features a guided tour of the film sites, a rocket launch, living history demonstrations, antique tractor show, live music, children's activities, storytelling, craft and food vendors, quilt show and more. CONTACT: 865-435-0384, oshistorical.com

Bean Station Harvest Pride Days – Oct. 16, Bean Station

Celebrates the life and culture of the area. Crafts, food, entertainment and exhibits create a festive event. CONTACT: 866-577-4222, graingerchamber.com

Belvidere Fireman's Fish Fry – Oct. 23, Belvidere

Lot of great food and delicious homemade desserts. Live bluegrass music featuring Tom Brantley and Friends, Rough Cut, Just Thrown Together, Golden Holler and The Belvidere Pickers. CONTACT: 615-580-0708.

Mountain Makins' Festival – Oct. 23-24, Rose Center, Morristown

Experience this folk life celebration of the Appalachian traditions through music, dance, juried crafts, fine art, storytelling, regional authors, children's activities, 8K run/walk and more. CONTACT: Sharon Pritchard, 423-581-4330, rosecenter.org

Upper Cumberland Gospel Music Spectacular – Oct. 28-29, Cookeville Community Center, Cookeville

The Musical Spectacular features The Inspirations and The Primitive Quartet. CONTACT: 931-256-0777

Pumpkinfest – Oct. 31, Franklin

This fall festival has arts & crafts, a children's costume contest and activities, chili cook-off, and music. CONTACT: 615-591-8500, historicfranklin.com

NOVEMBER

Springfield Christmas Sampler – Nov. 5-6, Springfield

More than 100 booths with artisan crafts, holiday gifts and decor, homemade baked goods, food by local restaurants and more. Friday from 4 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. CONTACT: 615-390-4397

Chili Cook-off – Nov. 6, Newport

Get a taste of some great chili at this event in the Smoky Mountains. CONTACT: 615-390-4397

Trail Of Tears Re-enactment Walk – Nov. 6, Lawrenceburg

Trail of Tears re-enactment walk and social. CONTACT: 931-766-0827

Veterans Day Ceremony – Nov. 6, Townsend

Formal ceremonies include presentation of colors, musical recognition of each branch of the service and the release of peace doves. Re-enactors and vehicle displays identify military actions throughout American history. CONTACT: 865-448-0044

Host of Christmas Past – Nov. 12-14, Fayetteville

Festivities include storytelling, craft demonstrations, musical performances, activities for children and more. CONTACT: 888-433-1234, hostofchristmaspast.com

Foothills Craft Guild Fine Crafts Marketplace – Nov. 12-14, Knoxville

Fine crafts by Tennessee artisans. CONTACT: 865-691-6083, foothillscraftguild.org

Cannon County Country Christmas – Nov. 19-20, Woodbury

Shop the merchants and enjoy refreshments, sales, door prizes, enjoy the revitalized square, dine at the local restaurants. Santa will be available for photos on Friday at 5 p.m. CONTACT: 615-563-2222

Christmas in the Country – Nov. 19-21, Lawrenceburg

There are crafts, quilts, stitchery, gifts, folk art, dolls, doll clothes, baskets, toys, breads, cakes, candies, pies and much more. CONTACT: 931-762-4911

Centennial Holiday Show – Nov. 20-21, Franklin

Features more than 170 artists and craftsmen from a dozen states. The show's emphasis is on handmade crafts. CONTACT: 615-472-4271, ext. 2335, wcs.edu/chs/holidayshow

Civil War Re-enactment – Nov. 13-14, Collierville

See over 2,000 soldiers in Blue and Gray re-enact the 147th anniversary of the Battle of Collierville at the Piperton Hills Ranch, 15 miles east of Memphis on Hwy. 72. Cannons, cavalry, infantry, food vendors, period clothiers and crafts, and a Civil War Grand Ball. CONTACT: 901-545-3364

