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MADISON COUNTY: A SEASON OF FESTIVALS, FARMS, AND FUN

From corn mazes to craft beer, bird migrations to pie walks, Central New York's Madison County rolls out a lineup of fall events in September and October

MADISON COUNTY, N.Y. — Autumn arrives in full color across Madison County this September and October, with six weeks of festivals, farm celebrations, and community gatherings inviting visitors to soak up everything Central New York does best this time of year. From pick-your-own orchards and a gigantic corn maze to a lakeside bird migration celebration, a farm brewery Oktoberfest, and hometown fall fairs, there's a reason to head to Madison County nearly every weekend this fall.

CazArts Autumn Leaves Arts Festival – September 9 - October 3

- **Where:** Venues across Cazenovia, check website for details
- **When:** September 9 - October 3, event times vary
- **What:** CazArts enters the fifth year of the Autumn Leaves Arts Festival, featuring over 25 events throughout the month of September and early October. Visit the website to see a full list of Jazz-N-Caz concerts, art exhibitions, and family-friendly activities.
- **More Information:** <https://cazarts.com/autumn-fest.html>

Critz Farms Fall Harvest Celebration – September 12 – October 25

- **Where:** Critz Farms, 3232 Rippleton Rd., Cazenovia, NY
- **When:** Weekends 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. through October 25 (including Indigenous Peoples' Day/Columbus Day); farm open weekdays too
- **What:** A gigantic corn maze, pick-your-own apples and pumpkins, wagon rides, farm animals, live music, and handcrafted beer, cider, and wine in the Tap Room
- **More Information:** <https://www.critzfarms.com/event/fall-harvest-celebration/2026-09-12/>

Fall Migration Festival at Great Swamp Conservancy – September 19

- **Where:** Great Swamp Conservancy, 8375 North Main St., Canastota, NY
- **When:** 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- **What:** A guided bird walk, live animal encounters, a chicken BBQ, local vendors, wagon rides, and live music from Reyna & The Rustics
- **More Information:** <https://www.greatswampconservancy.org/events-1/2023/9/16/fall-migration-festival-76dzm-22k9f-476rz>

Oktoberfest at Meier's Creek Brewing Company — September 19

- **Where:** Meier's Creek Cazenovia Farm Brewery, Cazenovia, NY
- **When:** 11:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.
- **What:** Steins, seasonal brews, and farm brewery festivities to kick off the fall season
- **More Information:** <https://www.meierscreekbrewing.com/event/oktoberfest-2026/>

Fall Fair and Pie Walk in Hamilton — September 26

- **Where:** Downtown Hamilton, NY
- **When:** Noon – 3 p.m.
- **What:** The third annual Fall Fair and Pie Walk brings a carnival-style street fair to Hamilton's business district, spotlighting local shops and the village's famously sweet Pie Walk contest
- **More Information:** <https://www.thisishamiltonny.com/fall-fair-and-pie-walk>

Oneida Fall Festival – October 3

- **Where:** Mott Street, Oneida
- **When:** 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- **What:** A fun family event with pumpkin races, live music, local vendors, food trucks, a petting zoo, and more

Fall Festival at Jake's Greenhouse and Ice Cream — October 24

- **Where:** Jake's Greenhouse and Ice Cream, 210 Genesee St., Canastota, NY
- **When:** 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- **What:** A family-friendly harvest celebration with fall activities, local craft vendors, food trucks, treats, and Jake's signature ice cream to close out the season
- **More Information:** <https://www.facebook.com/events/917320877503768>

Autumn at the Landing - October 24

- **Where:** Chittenango Landing Canal Boat Museum
- **When:** 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.
- **What:** Live music, food trucks, games, pumpkin painting & carving, blacksmith and woodworking demonstrations, and a baking contest!
- **More Information:** <https://chittenangoland.org/events-at-the-boatyard/2026/10/24/autumn-at-the-landing>

"Fall in Madison County is when our towns and villages really come alive," said Kaytlynn Lynch, Executive Director of Visit Madison County. "Whether visitors are wandering a corn maze in Cazenovia, watching birds take flight over the Great Swamp, or grabbing a sweet slice at Hamilton's Fall Fair and Pie Walk, every stop supports the local farms and small businesses that make this county special. We can't wait to welcome visitors for a season packed with vibrant color, community, and Central New York charm."

Together, these events showcase the range of experiences that make Madison County a fall destination worth the drive: working farms and orchards, wildlife-rich conservation land, farm breweries, and walkable villages that know how to throw a celebration. For a full calendar of Madison County events this fall, visit www.visitmadisonny.com.

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About Madison County Tourism

Visit Madison County, NY is the official Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA) of Madison County, New York, promoting the region's natural beauty, rich heritage, and diverse attractions for over 30 years. As a designated New York State TPA, the organization promotes more than 300 attractions across the county. According to Tourism Economics, tourism generated \$146.4 million in direct visitor spending in Madison County in 2024.

Nestled in the heart of Central New York, Madison County is where adventure seekers, history buffs, antique lovers, foodies, and couples searching for the perfect wedding destination all find their place. Home to Chittenango Falls, the International Boxing Hall of Fame, the National Abolition Hall of Fame and Museum, Oz-Stravaganza®, and the legendary Madison-Bouckville Antique Week, Madison County delivers authentic experiences and small-town charm that keep visitors coming back. Plan your visit at www.visitmadisonny.com.