

**Ouachita National Forest, November 8, 2011**

Color (or Expectation):	Peak color season is passing fast! Bright colors starting to fade; being replaced by subdued, darker shades.
Recommended Viewing Routes:	US 259, US 270, OK 1. Hwy. 23 south from US Hwy 71. Highway 28 west of Waldron Hwy. 8; Hwy 375 East; and Talimena Scenic Drive (Hwy. 88) Mena area reporting great color in the valleys.
Estimated Peak Period:	Right now. Still excellent viewing in some areas
Temperature:	40s and 50s at night, 60s to mid-70s during the day.
Remarks:	Great colors. Storm with high winds later today may strip much of the colorful leaves. See photos on following pages.



**Fall colors from Lake Ouachita Vista**

Matthew Kane Photo – November 6, 2011



**Fall colors along a road in the Ouachita National Forest**

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**Color peaking in the forest**

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**One-tree visual treat in the Ouachita National Forest**

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**One-bush visual treat in the Ouachita National Forest**

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**Colors everywhere**

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**Colorful vistas everywhere**

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Colorful drives everywhere  
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Colors 15 miles north of Broken Bow, Oklahoma  
USFS Photo by Randy Sander – November 3, 2011