

# FALL PHOTOGRAPHY

## Tips for FALL PHOTOGRAPHY

1. Best time to photograph in the fall:

a. Sunrise

b. Sunset!!!!!!!!!!!! Better than sunrise. Wait for the “golden light.”

The first and last hours of sun during the day have a brilliant quality to the light that can yield great photos. These are the “magic hours.” There is a soft golden light at this time that are beautiful!

2. Photograph outdoors when your shadow is longer than you are (usually in the late afternoon (this time a year around 5:00-5:30...but that time changes the closer to winter).

3. Don't forget overcast days!!! They are often wonderful to shoot on because the sun isn't drowning out the colors and the shadows are softer.

4. Use a tripod!!! This really does help. If you don't have a tripod, opt for the nearest table, fence post (square one), or something else sturdy to hold your camera. Try turning off your flash, set your ISO to 100 to minimize noise and start shooting.

5. Experiment with a polarized lens if you have an SLR camera...if not, work with the “polarize lens mode” in Photoshop.
6. Underexpose your shots slightly to saturate your colors (this can be done in Photoshop)...increase the contrast and play with the color saturation to warm things up.
7. Experiment with your white balance settings. Don’t be afraid to take your camera off auto mode and play with those settings. Increase the little numbers manually, or select a white balance setting like “cloudy.”
8. Try a MACRO lens or the MACRO MODE. For expert looking close-ups, don’t forget this mode...get the leaves. Use a tripod and get really close! If you are holding the camera...keep your elbows in, take a deep breath, let it out slowly, then shoot.



## WHAT TO PHOTOGRAPH????

Get up close for leaf shots

Take a step back for technicolor shots

Look up!

Zoom in on a tree and frame it with some blue in the background (sky).

Tape some beautiful leaves to a window with some great natural light coming in (so you can't see the tape) and start snapping (don't forget to get close).

Leafy portraits (got yard work to do?, take the camera with you, capture it on film).

Reflective water...beautiful shots with the brilliant fall colors

Visit a farmer's market or fall festival, get some shots

Fruits and veggies of fall

Sunflowers

Apple picking







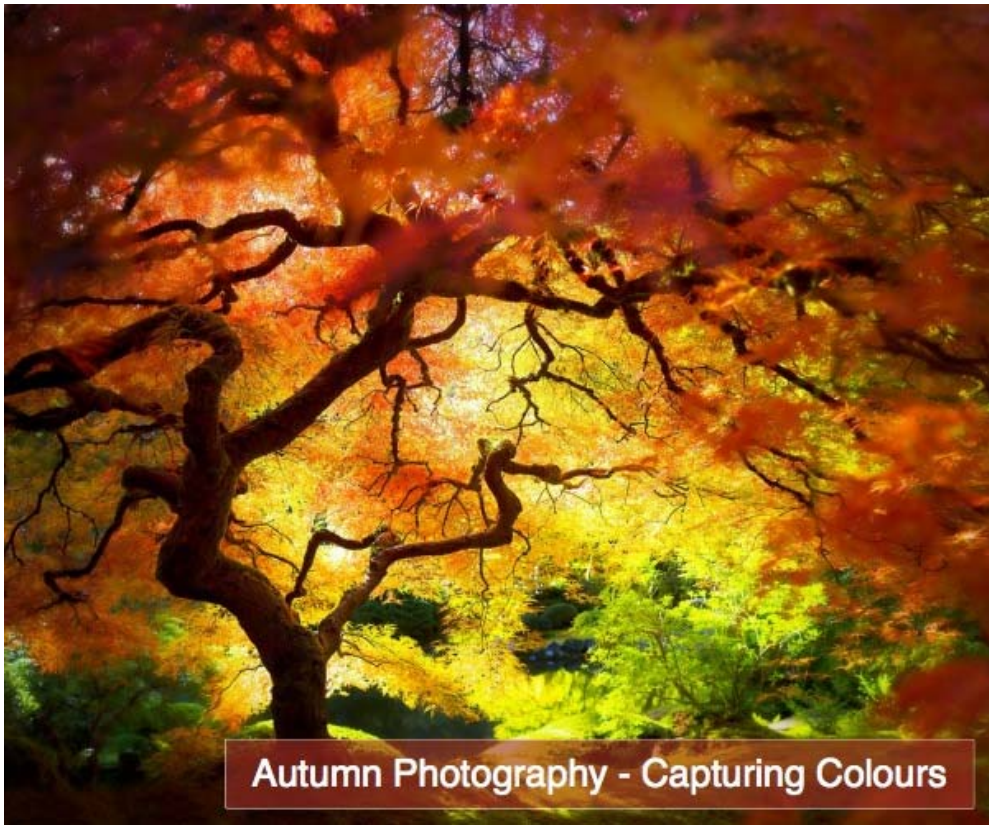


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