



GO BIG 2025 Lightning Challenge

Fall Season: September 22 - December 31



Complete the Lightning Challenge activities and submit to one of the parks' visitor centers. Earn 25 points to receive a Fall sticker. Collect all four seasons to earn the 100-point GO BIG patch.

Fall Trail Frolic

Points earned for miles must be completed on trails, riverways, or designated use areas at Big South Fork National River & Recreation Area, Obed Wild & Scenic River, and Manhattan Project National Historical Park during the fall season.

- **1 Point** for every mile hiked, pedaled, or paddled in the fall season. _____ :**Total miles**
- **1 Point** for every mile riding equestrian at Big South Fork in the fall season. _____ :**Total miles**

'Tis the Season to Camp

Fall is one of the most popular times to camp at Big South Fork and Obed. Book your campsite early! Reservations may be made by calling 877-444-6777, or online at www.recreation.gov.

- **10 Points per permit:** Obtain a permit and go backcountry camping at Big South Fork or Obed this fall. Permits can be obtained at Bandy Creek Visitor Center, Obed Visitor Center, or online at www.pay.gov. _____ :**Total points**
- **10 Points per camping trip:** Go camping at one of Big South Fork's campgrounds this fall. _____ :**Total points**
- **10 Points:** Go camping at Rock Creek Campground at Obed this fall. _____ :**Total points**

**Every Season Gives a Reason to
Go Big in the Parks!**



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Winged Leaf Peepers

- **1 Point each:** See how many birds you can identify while out in the parks. Give yourself one point for each species you can correctly identify visually or by its song. Each bird species is counted only once. Species: _____
_____: **Total points for fall birding**

Critters Preppin'

- **3 Points:** In fall, eastern gray squirrels gather food for winter. Watch them collect food in the park. What did you see them gather? How does their food storage habits impact the forest ecosystem?
Observation: _____
- **3 Points:** In fall, orb weaver spiders grow large and build visible webs. Watch one spin or repair its web. How big was the web? Did you see any prey caught?
Observation: _____

Kaleidoscope of Color

- **3 Points:** Autumn is when the leaves begin to change colors. Get out in the parks and locate a tree or group of trees and describe the colors. Description: _____
- **2 Points:** Acorns begin to fall in autumn, providing a large food source for the surrounding wildlife. What trees in the park produce these acorns?
Answer: _____

"Fall"ow Safety Protocols

- **2 Points:** Fall is perfect for backpacking, and park waters may look clean but should still be filtered for safe drinking. Name one water filtration or purification method.
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- **2 Points:** Take a photo of you hydrating in your favorite park location and email it to biso_challenge@nps.gov.



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FALL QUEST TOTAL POINTS _____

♿ means location is fully accessible.

