

**News Release**  
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**PUMPKIN PATCHES, HAY AND CORN MAZES BACK IN SEASON**

**Charleston, W.Va.** – If you and your family are wondering where the closest places are to find the family pumpkin, take a hay ride, or get lost in a corn maze this season, look no further. West Virginia is full of agritourism venues to help get you in the fall spirit.

**Arnold Farm – Romney, WV** – Come here to pick your pumpkins that have already been gathered from the field and then take a tractor-pulled hayride out to the corn maze. There's also a special haunted corn maze if you want to stick around in the evenings. For more info call 304-822-3603.

**Brookedale Farms – Keyser, WV** – Come take a hayride out to the corn maze! This farm is open every weekend and has big activities for the fall like the 10th Annual "Fall Feast-Off" where you can help judge local foods, check out local crafts, and hear down-home music. Stick around in the evenings and you can participate in an old-fashioned wienee roast and flashlight mazes. Find more info at [brookedalefarm.com](http://brookedalefarm.com).

**Byrnside Branch Farms – Union, WV** – You and your family can take a hay ride or a horse-drawn wagon ride to the pumpkin patch to pick out your pumpkins for the fall season. Afterward you can check out the hay and corn mazes and even kick back and enjoy a camp fire. This site opens September 20th. Find more info at [byrnsidebranchfarm.com](http://byrnsidebranchfarm.com).

**Cooper Family Farms – Milton, WV** – Kids can take a ride on the "cow train," or try to navigate the "corn crawl crib" before they head to the pumpkin patch to pick out the family pumpkin. This year you can navigate through the corn maze by using your smartphone as a trivia sheet or, if you're brave enough, stick around for an evening in the haunted maze. But at least stay around to roast s'mores over the camp fire before you go home. Find more info at [cooperfamilyfarms.net](http://cooperfamilyfarms.net).

**Gritt's Farm – Buffalo, WV** – Here you can find pumpkins for sale in the shop, at the farm stand, or pick them out yourself in the pumpkin patch. You can also find all sorts of different mazes here – a corn maze, a haunted corn maze, a kiddie (mini) corn maze, a straw maze or a hay bale maze. For more info call 304-937-2565.

**Kirkwood Winery – Summersville, WV** – This year the winery hosts the 22nd Annual Grape Stompin' Festival and this family-friendly atmosphere gives you a chance to visit the famous Isaiah Morgan Distillery. While you're there, kick your shoes off and stomp some grapes of your own. You can get in on the fun September 21st and 22nd. Find more info at [kirkwood-wine.com](http://kirkwood-wine.com).

**Little Patch on the Lane – Teays Valley, WV** – Stop by and pick your pumpkin right out of the patch in Putnam County. For more info call 304-541-1649.

**Morgan Orchard – Union, WV** – Find not only the perfect pumpkins, but luscious apples, peaches and more in the heart of Monroe County. You can go out to the orchard to pick your produce, or simply walk in and buy at the farm store. While you're there make sure to have a nice warm cup of apple cider. Find more info at [morganorchardwv.com](http://morganorchardwv.com).

**Nicky's Garden Center – Wheeling, WV** – At the base of Oglebay Park Hill you'll find a corn maze and pumpkins brought to you straight from the field. Find more info at [nickysgc.com](http://nickysgc.com).

**Okes Family Farm – Cool Ridge, WV** – Take a free hayride to the four-acre field and pick out your own pumpkins and gourds for the fall season. The big field opens September 21st and that will be your best chance to get the biggest pumpkins. While you're there check out the corn maze and other weekend activities like face painting and pumpkin carving and painting. Find more info at [okesfamilyfarms.com](http://okesfamilyfarms.com).

**Old McDonald's Pumpkin Patch & Corn Maze – Inwood, WV** - Starting September 21st, come pick out your fall pumpkins, gourds and winter squash at Old McDonald's. Afterward, catch a hayride before you head to the huge corn maze. Make sure to let the kids check out the "Kiddie Korn Kastle" and let them play in hundreds of pounds of shelled corn. Find more info at [oldmcdonaldspumpkinpatch.com](http://oldmcdonaldspumpkinpatch.com).

**Orr's Farm Market – Martinsburg, WV** – Check out the pumpkin patch and corn mazes here in the eastern panhandle of West Virginia. Fall Farm Days kicks off September 21st with pumpkin patch hayrides, bluegrass music and good food. Find more info at [orrsfarmmarket.com](http://orrsfarmmarket.com).

**Ridgefield Farms – Martinsburg, WV** – Pumpkin Fest kicks off September 28th with no shortage of activities. Enjoy hayrides a confusing corn maze, or pick out your own pumpkin in the big pumpkin patch after you visit the country store. And if you're around on the weekend check out "Haunting Season" on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Find more info at [ridgefieldfarm.com](http://ridgefieldfarm.com).

**Stiles Pumpkin Farm – Charles Town, WV** – Through the month of October you can stop by to pick your pumpkin, go for a hay ride, or take a chance navigating the straw maze. For more info call 304-725-6026.

**Town & Country Nursery – Kearneysville, WV** – Come out from mid-September to October to catch a tractor ride out to the corn and hay mazes. Make sure to grab a pumpkin for the fall season before you head home. You can find more info on their Facebook page or Town & Country Nursery or call 304-725-1252.

**V & J Farms – Scott Depot, WV** – Have a picnic or go on a hayride before you head out to the pumpkin patch to pick out your family pumpkin. For more info call 304-755-4300.

Disclaimer: This information comes from various sources. The West Virginia Department of Agriculture recommends you call, email, or check the farms' internet sites before visiting to make sure all information is still up to date.