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Schweiger Ranch Fall Festival

Sunday, October 5th, 2025,
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Celebrate the Fall in Lone Tree as the historic Schweiger Ranch plays host to the annual Fall Festival, presented by the City of Lone Tree and the Schweiger Ranch Foundation.

The Fall family traditions of pumpkin patches, horse carriage rides, marshmallow roasting and ranch exploration is just minutes from the bustling center of Lone Tree. Unique to the city, this historic, working ranch gives the feeling of stepping back in time and seeing the past first hand through guided tours of the preserved buildings and the land itself. This Fall Festival is unlike any other and is sure to have a little something for everyone!

Enjoy a beautiful day on the ranch with the family picking pumpkins, roasting marshmallows and story telling, checking out Cheyenne Mountain ZOOMobile, crafting, taking a carriage ride, and learning the history behind Schweiger Ranch. Live bluegrass music, food trucks and vendors will also be onsite.

SCHEDULE:

All day: Pumpkin Patch, Wagon Rides, Cheyenne Mountain ZOOMobile, Vendor Tents, Food Trucks, Live Music, Games

11:45 a.m., 12:45 p.m., 1:45 p.m.:

Guided Tours of the House and Ranch

11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m.:

Story Time & Marshmallow Roasting

—<https://cityoflonetree.com/cityevents/fallfestival/>

*October is the month of painted leaves.
Their rich glow now flashes round the
world. As fruits and leaves and the day
itself acquire a bright tint just before they
fall, so the year near its setting.*

*October is its sunset sky;
November the later twilight.*

—Henry David Thoreau

Fall Landscape Ideas For A Gorgeous Autumn Garden

ADD FALL CONTAINER PLANTS

Lean into container plants featuring late-blooming flowers and succulents, like mums and stonecrop, as temperatures start to drop this fall. They'll add so much color and interest to your porch, plus you can repot and move them inside when it gets too cold in the winter!

PLANT TREES AND SHRUBS

Surprisingly, fall is a great time to plant evergreen and ornamental trees in your yard! In autumn, the weather and soil conditions can help trees develop a strong root system before the summer heat kicks in. If you're looking for evergreens, go for boxwood, spruce, and pine trees. On the other hand, if you want to add stunning autumn hues to your yard, plant sugar maple, Japanese maple, dogwood, or redbud trees.



CREATE A FALL COMPOST PILE

There's no better time than fall to start a compost pile, especially with all that fallen foliage! Instead of throwing away those big piles of fall leaves after raking them, add them to a compost pile along with vegetal food scraps and twigs. By spring, you'll have a nutrient-rich additive for your garden beds that'll improve your soil quality!

REFRESH YOUR YARD

Spring cleaning may be the norm, but fall is also a great time to refresh your yard or garden! The cooler months following summer are great for tidying up your yard before spring rolls around again. To start, get rid of unruly weeds and wilting annuals. Then, start patching up bare spots in your lawn with overseeding and fertilizer.

START A POLLINATOR GARDEN

It's never a bad time to plant flowers and shrubs to support the pollinator population in your yard. Add perennials that extend the season for bees and butterflies, such as black-eyed Susan, autumn-blooming sedums, asters, and Shasta daisies.

CREATE AN OUTDOOR DINING SPACE

If you never got around to it during the hot summer months, autumn is a great time to create an outdoor oasis. A small table and chairs are all you need for evening meals al fresco.

ADD DECORATIVE ACCENTS

A simple obelisk or trellis can be a focal point in the garden, long after the first frost. Place it where it's visible from indoors so you have something of interest to see in the winter garden. Bonus: Add lights to it for the holidays!

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CREATE COZY SEATING AREAS

Fall is a great time to sit and enjoy the cooler weather and the stunning panorama of colors. Create a cozy seating area by placing Adirondack chairs or a simple wicker chair where you can soak up nature's beauty. Oh, and don't forget the cozy blanket!

DECORATE WITH PUMPKINS

This might seem obvious, but decorating with pumpkins is one of the easiest ways to get your home ready for fall. Add different color pumpkins, including orange, white, and green, throughout the yard and on the front porch.

PLANT BULBS FOR SPRING

It might seem like an exercise in delayed gratification (and it is!), but it's a good idea to start planting spring-blooming bulbs right now. Many flowers such as daffodils, tulips, and hyacinths must be planted in the fall for blooms next spring. Trust us: You'll be so happy and grateful when you see your flowers pop up after a long winter.

ADD EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Adding a few outdoor lighting options will make the long, dark days of winter a little brighter. Update exterior lights and add lighting along walkways. Even a solar-powered LED lantern or string lights on the patio can make a seating area feel more intimate and special during fall gatherings.

BRING IN COLD-SENSITIVE PLANTS

There's no point in allowing all your plants to die back in the first frost. Bring in plants that can be enjoyed as houseplants (dig them up and put them in pots). Plants to consider include rosemary, begonias, hibiscus, and succulents. Also, in cold climates, don't forget to dig up tender bulbs such as dahlias and gladioli after the first frost to save for planting next spring.

Fall Clean-up To Prevent Disease

Fall garden clean-up is an important step to help prevent disease and insect problems next spring. Some organisms (like pathogens and insect eggs) overwinter on plant vegetation.

After a hard freeze, remove plants such as tomato and pepper plants, squash and cucumber vines, and dig potato tubers. Pick up and dispose of fallen apples.

Powdery mildew is generally prevalent on vegetables and herbaceous plants most seasons. Cut back and throw away these plants to reduce infection next spring. If there was pronounced black spot damage on roses, rake and throw away leaves.

It is suggested that infested plants not be composted. Home compost bins rarely reach temperatures that would kill disease (140 degrees F). Instead, throw plants in the trash.

Rake or mulch leaves on the lawn. A thick layer of leaves acts like insulation and can encourage diseases like snow molds.

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Walk To A Park Day

National Walk to a Park Day on October 10th encourages us to walk to our local parks. Feel the wind on your face. Take in the fall weather. Visit with neighbors. Play with your children. And appreciate all the benefits green spaces offer communities.

Public parks and green spaces are a community's backyard. They offer nearby residents a place to play, connect, and reap the benefits of the outdoors. Parks are an essential part of improving public health. They provide a place to play, exercise, and commune with nature. They support equitable and thriving communities. And they protect communities from the impacts of the climate. Yet, 100 million people, including 28 million kids, do not have access to a quality park within a 10-minute walk from home.

Youth Confidence Day

Building a framework of positive role models is vital to developing responsible, confident young adults. Incidentally, National Youth Confidence Day, on October 20, encourages us to connect and inspire today's youth for tomorrow's success. National Youth Confidence Day celebrates the energy, spirit and potential of young people. The day is an acknowledgment of all they will accomplish, respectively. Guidance, leadership and mentors will help light the path, indeed. In addition, today's youth will navigate the obstacles that will inevitably lay before them.



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Centennial Ridge

LONE TREE Update & Recent Market Activity (3 mos)

AVERAGE DAYS (of Solds) in MLS—43

MEDIAN SOLD PRICE IN LONE TREE—\$867,500

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Centennial Ridge Average SOLD Price - \$761,000



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The FALL MARKET is full of Opportunity!

The term “Fall” has greater meaning this year than at any time over the past decade. Home prices have continued to fall this year, and we are seeing some of the best values right now!

But wait, there’s more, as interest rates have fallen dramatically over the last couple of weeks, with the Average 30-year fixed rate mortgage in the low 6% range, and most of the Government Insured Loans like the FHA and VA in the high 5% range.

Buyers, if you’ve been on the sidelines, this is your time to engage, as you will find the best pricing and lowest interest rates we have seen all year!

Sellers, the market has been hit hard with standing Inventory putting downward pressure on pricing, so now is the time to make your home show the best it possibly can, and price it correctly!

The Denver Market still has over 13,000 Active Listings, which is approximately 22% above this time last year. This market is both a Beauty Contest and a Price War, so it can be difficult to navigate. The good news is we have the experience and knowledge at Your Colorado Dream Home Team to guide you successfully through this Fall Market of Opportunity. Let’s talk today! Make it a great Fall!

As always, if you have any questions, please give me a call!

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