

# Out & About

WHERE TO GO, WHAT TO SEE, AND HOW TO STRIDE INTO FALL

| ON THE ROAD |

## EPIC READS

Bibliophiles and screen-scrollers alike will get a back-to-school buzz when they step into one of these soaring libraries. At the 19th-century George Peabody Library, in Baltimore, five stories of cast-iron balconies guide your eyes toward a skylight that hovers 61 feet above the ground ([peabodyevents.library.jhu.edu](http://peabodyevents.library.jhu.edu)). Here, three more book meccas that are stunning beyond words.



📍 ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN  
A study haven for University of Michigan law students, the neo-Gothic **William W. Cook Legal Research Library** draws visitors to marvel at its cathedral ceilings and intricate stained glass. [law.umich.edu](http://law.umich.edu)

📍 SAN MARINO, CALIFORNIA  
Celebrate the centennial of the **Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens** at an exhibit honoring the year 1919, including suffragist pamphlets and one of the first photos of Halley's Comet. [huntington.org](http://huntington.org)

📍 NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT  
Inspect ancient Egyptian artifacts at the **Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library**, amid the glow created by its semitranslucent marble walls. [beinecke.library.yale.edu](http://beinecke.library.yale.edu)

| WHY NOT? |

## Good as Gold

When sunflowers unfurl their resplendent faces, it's easy to see why Van Gogh immortalized them on canvas. Take them in en masse at these places.

**Burnside Farms**  
Snip your own stems for \$1.50 apiece at this Nokesville, Virginia, farm, and spread out a picnic in its shady area. [burnsidefarms.com](http://burnsidefarms.com)

**Kruger's Farm**  
Mix things up at the Portland, Oregon, site, where 20 robust rows include the fluffy-petaled 'Teddy Bear' variety. [krugersfarm.com](http://krugersfarm.com)

**Leatherberry Acres**  
After wading through an ocean of blooms, play with miniature goats at the Baraboo, Wisconsin, farm's petting zoo. [leatherberryacres.com](http://leatherberryacres.com)

**Wild Berry Farm**  
In this Sadler, Texas, field, you can see the sky-high 'Peredovik' variety (they can reach six feet tall) and pick tomatoes at the height of ripeness, too. [txberry.com](http://txberry.com)

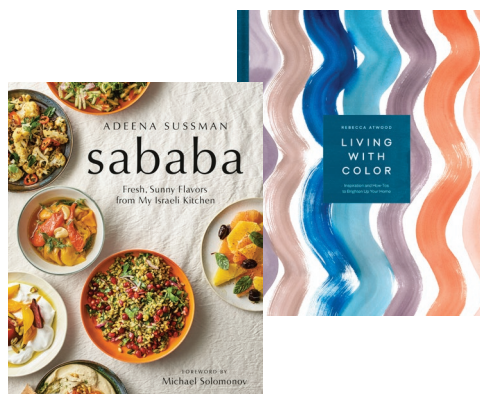
| SECRET SOURCE |

## CW Pencil Enterprise

"I always looked forward to school-supply shopping when I was a kid. Visiting this pencil store, which has a rainbow of options, is equally satisfying for a grown-up."

—Living home editor  
Lorna Aragon

Custom pencils, from \$1.25 each, [cwpencils.com](http://cwpencils.com).



| ON OUR BOOKSHELF |

Recipe developer Adeena Sussman has real range—she's cowritten 11 cookbooks with the likes of Chrissy Teigen, Sprinkles' Candace Nelson, and David Burtka. But Israeli food is her specialty. Her debut solo act, *Sababa* (Avery), translates as "everything is awesome," and its dishes, like honey-harissa chicken thighs, live up to the hype. Painterly dots and dashes are textile designer Rebecca Atwood's calling cards; however, her palettes are equally striking. *Living With Color* (Clarkson Potter) is a primer on using soft shades like lemon butter and dune grass at home. Téa Obrecht whisks you out west in *Inland* (Random House), a thrill ride of a novel in which the lives of a man and woman (and a few surprising animals) collide in desert pockets of the post-Civil War frontier.

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