



Summer Activities

FOR KIDS

CENTRAL TEXAS





LADY BIRD JOHNSON WILDFLOWER CENTER

4801 La Crosse Ave, Austin, TX 78739

Visit the arboretum at the Wildflower Center to swing under the big trees or go on a nature walk as you spot seasonal wildflowers! The Family Garden also includes many opportunities for creative play with natural materials including giant birds' nests made of grape vines for kids to climb in, a grotto with caves and a waterfall, a maze made of native shrubs and more. The Wildflower Center is now using a reservation system to avoid any over-crowding.

Summer Parent Hack:

Freeze Water Bottles to keep your cooler cold instead of ice blocks. You keep things cold without the mess and end up with nice cold water!

ZILKER PARK

2100 Barton Springs Road, Austin, TX 78746

Zilker Metropolitan Park is considered "Austin's most-loved park." This 351-acre metropolitan park is home to a variety of recreation opportunities, facilities and special events for individuals and families. Head to the sprawling space by the giant rocks and spread out to fly kites, throw a Frisbee, play with cute dogs, or have a picnic with sweeping city views in the background. Zilker is a classic choice for a great day out with the kids.

ROCK'N RIVER WATERPARK

3300 E Palm Valley Blvd., Round Rock, TX 78664

With a lazy river, water slides, a giant tipping water bucket, several pools, a rock climbing waterfall wall, food trucks, plenty of shade — this place is awesome. Located in Old Settler's Park, this is just a short drive from Austin. Complete with water playground, tunnel showers, a water cannon, tipping frogs, floor geysers & a zero-beach-entry play area.

TYPHOON TEXAS WATERPARK

18500 TX-130 North Service Road Pflugerville, TX 78660

Typhoon Texas Austin is a family-friendly water park located in Pflugerville, Texas. If you are making a trip to Austin, go check them out. There is no better way to beat the Texas summer heat than to cool off in the pool. Slide down one of 30 different water slides, lounge in the lazy river, and grab a bite while spending quality time with friends and family. Enjoy live entertainment from Tidal Wave Bay during their Summer Concert Series. There is always something exciting happening at Typhoon Texas.

THE GLOBE DRIVE-IN

8017 Cele Rd, Manor, TX 78653

The Globe Drive-In is a 35-car drive-in movie located in Pflugerville. Enjoy a night out with the kids at a family-friendly drive-in movie! You can catch a cult classic or family-friendly favorites Friday through Sunday nights. Full schedule, tickets and much more info located on globaldrivein.com.

Summer Parent Hack:

Place a cupcake liner underneath a popsicle's stick to catch and drips to save sticky hands and stained shirts!



THE AUSTIN ZOO

10808 Rawhide Trail, Austin, TX 78736

Austin Zoo is a non-profit rescue zoo and is located in southwestern unincorporated Travis County, west of Austin. The zoo is accredited by the Zoological Association of America. The mission of Austin Zoo is to assist animals in need through rescue, conservation, and education.



THE BEE CAVE SCULPTURE PARK

13333 Highway 71 Bee Cave TX 78738

The Bee Cave Sculpture Park is a cute art installation that's perfect for kids to explore. There are interesting sculptures, a spring-fed pond, and beautiful big trees for lots of shade. This park is small enough that it's easy for toddlers to run around. Another fun and less populated spot to meet with friends outdoors!



TEXAS MEMORIAL MUSEUM

2400 Trinity St, Austin, TX 78705

Perfect for your little dino-lover, this museum on the UT campus features over 500 dinosaur and fossil specimens including the Onion Creek Mosasaur, a 30 foot aquatic reptile that swam in the shallow seas of Texas during the Cretaceous Period. Texas Memorial Museum works to create awareness, understanding and appreciation of the past, present and future of biological diversity, especially that of the state of Texas.



THINKERY

1830 Simond Ave Austin, Texas 78723

Children learn through play — and no one knows this better than Thinkery! The name says it all. The whole family is guaranteed to have a blast at this Mueller Austin children's museum, featuring cool events and hands-on exhibits year round that inspire the imagination of your little thinkers.





SCHLITTERBAHN WATERPARK NEW BRAUNFELS

400 N Liberty Ave, New Braunfels, TX 78130

Schlitterbahn New Braunfels is home to the world's most award-winning waterpark ride, the Master Blaster, the Boogie Bahn Inland Surf Ride, Dragon's Revenge, and more. With four areas of Schlitterbahn, including Tubenbach, Surfenburg, Blasteno, and the Original Schlitterbahn, there is SO MUCH to do.

Summer Parent Hack:

Freeze aloe vera in ice cube trays for a quick remedy to put over accidental sunburns for easy and quick relief for the skins!



BLANTON MUSEUM OF ART

200 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Austin, TX 78712

What kid doesn't love touching all the pennies in the Cildo Meireles's *Missão/Missões* installation or seeing the rainbow colored glass in Ellsworth Kelly's *Austin*? The Blanton Museum of Art not only offers impressive art collections, but they also offer families the chance to get hands-on with lots of art activities during the summer months.

Summer Parent Hack:

Keep dryer sheets in your pockets to keep bugs away. The chemicals in the sheets have shown to ward off bugs. Great for outside meals or playtime!

AUSTIN NINJAS

200 Buttercup Creek Blvd, Suite 107A
Cedar Park, TX 78613

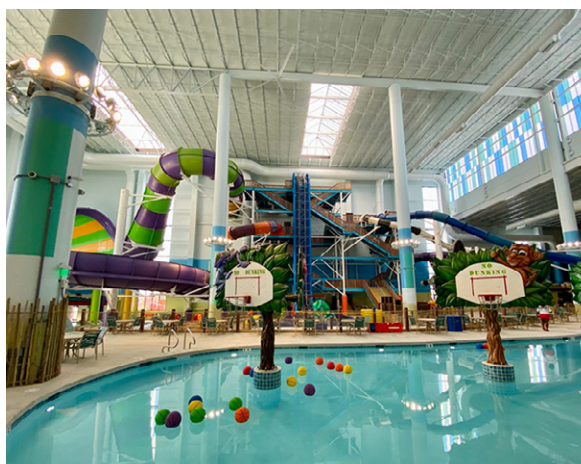
With two locations, one in Austin and one in Cedar Park, climbing, jumping, and swinging on a ninja warrior course is great exercise as well as great fun. This type of activity builds confidence as kids try (and fail) and try again to reach their goals, all on their individual timeline. Open to kids ages 5 and up, with evening hours for those ages 14 and up, the gym is fun for all ages.



KALAHARI INDOOR WATERPARK

3001 Kalahari Blvd. Round Rock, TX 78665

Round Rock, Texas is home to Kalahari Resorts & Conventions, America's largest indoor waterpark! This 350-acre resort features 20 pools, 30 water slides, 975 guest rooms, five restaurants, an indoor adventure park, along with 200,000 square feet of meeting space for events. Located on U.S. 79 across from the Dell Diamond and Old Settler's Park, this giant waterpark is sure to be one of the most popular family-friendly destinations in Central Texas.



SCIENCE MILL

101 South Lady Bird Lane Johnson City, TX, 78636

Just an hour outside of Austin, you'll find this terrific science museum in Johnson City. It has more than 40 interactive world-class exhibits, a 3D theater, a huge outdoor space with an impressive kinetic sculpture. Old silos are transformed into exhibit space featuring things like The Fractarium. There are also many "maker stations" where kids can play a banana piano, play with "critter bots", or play with sand to form mountains, rivers, and lakes. The Science Mill provides hours of fun for all ages.

BLAZER TAG ADVENTURE CENTER

1701 W Ben White Blvd, Austin, TX 78704

Blazer Tag boasts the largest laser tag arena in Texas. At 10,000 square feet and three levels of nooks and crannies, a laser tag game here is like no other. In addition to their super awesome arena, there's an arcade with gems like Guitar Hero and classics like Skee-Ball.





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