



Outdoor Activities DISCOVERY GREEN 1500 McKinney Houston, Texas 77010 Discovery Green is a 12-acre park located in Downtown Houston. Park visitors can expect to enjoy an interactive water fountain, model boat basin, dog park and playground. Several dining options are available, and the park offers fun, kid-friendly activities — from outdoor movies to Zumba classes — all summer long. THE HOUSTON ZOO 6200 Hermann Park Drive Houston, TX 77030 One of Texas' best zoos is right here in Houston. Get your animal groove on exploring animal habitats, giraffe feedings, Naturally Wild Swap Shop (where you can bring in your found treasures), and Meet the Keeper talks/encounters/feedings every half hour. Their Water Play Park, Sneak Peek tours, Zoo Crew experiences, and Vet for a Day programs provide fun for toddlers to teens.

Summer Parent Hack

Remove unwanted sand off of little feet and hands by sprinkling baby powder all over the area and then simply brush off unwanted sand!

HURRICANE HARBOR SPLASHTOWN

21300 I-45, Spring, TX 77373

SplashTown is Houston's largest and most diverse water park, featuring 40-acres and more than two million gallons of summer fun. You'll want to check out the Stingray Racer, the park's thrill ride featuring six water slide lanes stretching 55 feet up. And the Tornado, an experience that begins on a platform 75 feet in the air where daring riders are set in motion down a 132-foot long tunnel and thrown into the giant open-ended funnel.

SCHLITTERBAHN WATERPARK GALVESTON

2109 Gene Lucas Blvd, Galveston, TX 77554

Schlitterbahn Waterpark Galveston features the most exciting collection of water rides in Texas. They offer more than 32 amazing rides and attractions, including a large wave pool, uphill water coasters, thrilling speed slides, kids' water playgrounds, whitewater rapids, relaxing hot tubs, family raft rides, the Boogie Bahn surf ride and the exclusive Transportainment river system.

Summer Parent Hack

If your children suffer from itchy mosquito bits, use apple cider vinegar or lemon juice to help relieve the itching!

KEMAH BOARDWALK

215 Kipp Avenue Kemah, TX 77565

Overlooking Galveston Bay, the Kemah Boardwalk features themed restaurants, retail shops, and amusements for the whole family. This 35-acre carnival-like atmosphere has a 36-foot carousel, a 65-foot Ferris wheel and rides like the Aviator, the Inverter and the Boardwalk Tower. Don't miss the arcade and Midway games. And for thrill seekers, there's the Boardwalk Beast, an adrenaline rush of a boat ride that takes passengers four miles into Galveston Bay at speeds up to 40 mph.

MILLER OUTDOOR THEATER

6000 Hermann Park Drive Houston, TX 77030

Miller Outdoor Theater is Houston's premier outdoor theater for the performing arts. Free performances run March through October. Miller Outdoor Theater offers the most diverse professional entertainment of any Houston performance venue, including classical music, jazz, ethnic music and dance, ballet, Shakespeare, musical theater, classic films and much more. Relax in the covered seating area or enjoy a pre-performance picnic on the hillside.

Summer Parent Hack

Put an end to bubble solution waste by duct taping the bubble solution bottles to a fence post or deck railing.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK - FRIENDSWOOD

1100 S Friendswood Dr Friendswood, TX, 77546

Come enjoy concerts every Friday evening at Stevenson Park Gazebo through the summer. All bands are family friendly and during intermission they offer raffle prizes. Bring your own blanket, picnic and enjoy some family fun!

BLESSINGTON FARMS

510 Chisolm Trail Simonton, TX 77485

Blessington offers virtually year-round u-pick-it opportunities: strawberries (December-June), blueberries (late May-June), thornless blackberries (June – July), and pumpkin patch (fall). Located just 40 miles west of Downtown Houston, Blessington also offers many farm fun activities and attractions, including animal encounters, mazes, slides and rides.















Indoor Activities

DOWNTOWN AQUARIUM

410 Bagby St, Houston, TX 77002

Downtown Aquarium is the product of redeveloping two downtown Houston landmarks – Fire Station No. 1 and the Central Waterworks Building. This magnificent six-acre entertainment and dining complex is a 500,000-gallon aquatic wonderland, home to over 300 species of aquatic life from around the globe. With a full-service restaurant, an upscale bar, a fully equipped ballroom, aquatic & geographic exhibits, shopping and a variety of amusements, Downtown Aquarium has it all!

KIDTASTIC PARK INDOOR PLAYGROUND

25410 Highway 290, Suite B-8 Cypress, Texas 77429

As the premiere indoor birthday party center in Cypress, Kidtastic Park is a safe, clean and fun-filled indoor playground where children can grow, learn and play. They have multiple slides, zip line, a merry go round, sensory play, soft play, and much more! They also offer private play sessions as well as private parties.

Summer Parent Hack

If you're out of town and stuck in a hotel room due to bad weather, encourage your children to look outside and draw the different objects they see.

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF HOUSTON

1500 Binz Street Houston, TX 77004

This world-class museum is crazy fun for all kids, featuring 90,000 square feet of interactive and bilingual exhibitions in the areas of science and technology, history and culture, health and human development, and the arts. Kids can run their own city and compile their own TV news reports at Kidtropolis, make their own gadgets in the Invention Convention exhibit, and check out the forces of hydropower at FlowWorks. And for children three years and younger, Tot Spot provides a fun-filled wonderland of invigorating activities for infants and toddlers.

HOUSTON MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCE

5555 Hermann Park Drive Houston, TX 77030

This extremely kid-friendly museum consistently ranks as one of the most visited museums in the country for a reason. HMNS features a paleontology hall towering with prehistoric critters, a groovy planetarium, a 3D IMAX Theater, a magnificent butterfly exhibit, plus more than a dozen permanent exhibit areas. And make sure to check out the museum's massive Paleontology Hall.

Summer Parent Hack

When packing lots of clothes, save space in your suitcases by rolling clothes instead of folding them. Make the mornings even easier by rolling outfits together!

MAIN STREET THEATER

MECA at TBH 333 S. Jensen Drive,

Houston, TX 77003

Main Street Theater offers a lively year-round repertory of classic and contemporary plays for audiences of all ages. It houses a stage dedicated to the youth theater program and to large-scale MainStage classics and musicals.

SPACE CENTER HOUSTON

1601 NASA Parkway Houston, TX 77058

Here, kids can experience the rich history and the awe of space through Kids Space Place, created for children of all ages who have always dreamed of experiencing the same things astronauts do in space. From the popular Build-A-Rocket to Mission Kidtrol, children will explore, learn the concepts of space and see how these fun activities can be applied to the space program. For a real behind-the-scenes look at NASA, take your kids (ages 14+) on the exclusive Level Nine Tour.



Create an easy DIY breakfast station for kiddos by putting cereal in airtight containers and a gallon of milk in a container with spigot on an accessible refrigerator shelf.



ALTITUDE TRAMPOLINE PARK

24952 Katy Ranch Road Katy, TX 77433

Channel your energy, cut loose with your best flips and tricks, and prepare for the Jump Life featuring 33,000 square feet of indoor trampolines and other attractions, Altitude Trampoline Park is an exciting destination for families, groups, and individual jumpers to have healthy, athletic fun.

THE MAD POTTER

4882 Beechnut Street Houston, TX 77096

Get in touch with your artistic side at this paint-your-own-pottery studio where kids and adults alike can try their hand at becoming the next modern-day Michelangelo. With their 3 Houston area locations, you're able to pick from a selection of pottery pieces to decorate including plates, mugs, boxes, & more.

Create your masterpiece and treasure it forever!

Summer Parent Hack

Empty egg cartons are a great solution to tote fresh fruit on the go that might easily bruise.

