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Spring Break with the Family



3-DAY ITINERARY

So, the kids are on spring break and you're looking for a fun family getaway (or staycation) to keep them entertained. Well, there's sure a lot of great family activities and restaurants just south of Seattle. Here's a three-day itinerary, with an option for more, to maximize family fun.



Day 1

Check in to your hotel and relax for a bit in the room (or the pool, if your hotel has one) before dinner. It's probably easier to relax when you realize you paid 20-30% less for a hotel in Seattle Southside compared to our downtown Seattle counterpart. When the family's hungry, head to **The Old Spaghetti Factory**. The vintage and amiable ambiance of the restaurant will make the kids feel right at home. The delicious pasta and after-dinner spumoni won't hurt, either.



Day 2

Wake up with some breakfast at your hotel and then head south to the free Puget Sound aquarium, **MaST Center**. You'll see over 250 various aquatic creatures and kids will have a great opportunity to learn about marine biology. After your visit with the creatures of the deep, hit up the **Des Moines Dog House** for a Colombian spin on the classic hot dog. Parents should try arepas and sausage and kids can have a small dog or corn dog. Just next door, check out the **Waterland Arcade** for vintage arcade games and more modern console games.

After the family's fueled up and ready to go, head to **Family Fun Center** for an evening of fun and excitement. Family Fun Center is an indoor/outdoor entertainment megaplex, filled with laser tag, go-karts, bumper boats, mini golf, batting cages, rides, games, and more. It's a childhood dream, and when it's time for dinner, the family can dine-in at the onsite restaurant, **Bullwinkle's**, and enjoy the performance by Rocky and Bullwinkle's animatronic house band.



Day 3

Start your final morning off right with breakfast at **Corner Bakery**. With plenty of coffee and delicious baked goods, not to mention chocolate chip pancakes for the kids, Corner Bakery is sure to please. After breakfast, head down the street to the space and aviation capital of the northwest, **The Museum of Flight**. This museum has everything you could ever want in an air and space museum, from an original Air Force One, to WWI/WWII fighter planes, to a shuttle trainer that the astronauts trained in. Plus, kids will love the flight simulators and cockpit experiences throughout the great gallery.

Lunchtime brings you to the tropical oasis of **Bahama Breeze**. They've authentically replicated the feel of paradise here, with colorful drinks, island music, and savory jerk chicken and seafood. Hopefully the kids have some energy left, because they're going to need it at your next stop. The newest attraction in Seattle Southside is also the largest extreme air sports park in the world. **Defy** is an amazingly innovative attraction. Think of an American Ninja Warrior-style obstacle course, free-running, trampoline jumping playground! Kids will literally be bouncing off the walls and everyone is guaranteed to get a good night's sleep.

Before you return to your hotel for the night, stop by **Mizu Steakhouse** for a classic, hibachi-style dinner. Mizu's highly trained chefs will prepare your meals at your table with plenty of spatula flipping, onion volcanoes and shrimp tossing to get everyone pumped up for dinner. The food doesn't disappoint either. The flavors are strong, and the cooking performance makes the experience that much better.



Optional Day 4

If you've got some time left, take a day trip to the majestic wonder of the Pacific Northwest, **Mount Rainier**. You can book a tour through **Customized Tours**, **Tours Northwest** or **Totally Seattle Tours** to take you on the two-hour journey to Mount Rainier National Park. Spending a day at the mountain is an unforgettable experience that the whole family will enjoy. Don't worry, there are plenty of kid-friendly trails that aren't too arduous for little legs. When you're back in town, end your day with some pizza, bowling, karaoke, and games at **Round 1 Entertainment**. The metropolis of fun sits atop **Westfield Southcenter** and has become a family favorite..



Optional Day 5

Take the light rail downtown to see the sights of Seattle. Whether it's an elevator ride to the top of the **Space Needle**, sampling chocolate cherries and cheese at **Pacific Science Center**, or jamming out at the **Museum of Pop Culture (MoPOP)**, you're guaranteed to have a fun time in the Emerald City. Head down to the waterfront and take a ride on the **Great Wheel** or a 4D ride over the **Evergreen State at Wings Over Washington**. Stop by the **Children's Museum** at **Seattle Center** for a fun and educational experience, then enjoy a wide vast selection of family dining options at the Armory food court.

WHAT TO PACK FOR YOUR TRIP

COMFORTABLE SHOES are perfect for trips to the beach, mountains, or a power shopping excursion.



WATER BOTTLE/ CANTEEN for coffee/ water to keep hydrated and caffeinated.



LAYERS because the weather can change quickly—scarves and light coats depending on the time of year.



SUNSCREEN because we have more sun than rain here.



SUNGLASSES, although if you forget them, chances are you'll be able to find them here.



CHANGE/CASH for transit and farmers markets.



CAMERA to capture the mountain views. Don't forget the charger/extra batteries.



UMBRELLA maybe, just in case.



MOBILE TOOLS



General travel:
Washington State Department of Transportation has an app that provides information on traffic, ferry schedules, mountain pass conditions, and wait times to and from the Canadian border.
Price: Free



For traffic:
Waze tells you the best route based on current traffic patterns. If a better route becomes available, it will automatically reroute you.
Price: Free



For a ride:
LYFT is a rideshare service that pairs drivers with people who need a ride. Get your first ride for free when you use the code SEATTLESOUTHSIDE.
Price: Free for first ride; up to \$20



For public transportation in downtown Seattle:
One Bus Away is the app for many public transportation options in the Seattle area including Metro Transit, Sound Transit, and many others.
Price: Free



Transportation Fares:
Transit Go Ticket Buy your light rail, bus, water taxi, and Sounder tickets on the app! Buy as many tickets as you like. When you're ready to board, simply activate your ticket.
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For dining options:
Open Table allows you to make reservations with a click of a button.
Price: Free



The ultimate transit app:
CityMapper provide A to B trip planning with ETA including all modes: bus, light rail, ferry, bike/ car sharing, and Uber.
Price: Free



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