

4-DAY ITINERARY

# PLAY IN SEATTLE'S BACKYARD



HAVE A SPLASH IN THE POOL AT MARRIOTT SEATTLE AIRPORT.

The fun never stops here. There are plenty of places to play—and stay—in Seattle's Backyard, Seattle Southside. With so much to see and do, it's the perfect home base to get the most out of your Seattle vacation.

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# Family Fun!

Seattle Southside has always been known as a destination for families. This four-day itinerary will give you a pretty good idea of what attractions and restaurants are great for kids and parents alike!



### Day 1

Start your trip off right with a trip to the largest private air and space museum in the world! There's something for everyone at **The Museum of Flight** and kids are no exception. In addition to the SR-71 Blackbird, the first jet-powered Air Force One, and the actual space shuttle trainer that all shuttle astronauts trained in, check out the Kid's Flight Zone, where kids can practice flight in simulators, learn how engines work, and sit in the cockpit of a helicopter!

Calm the post-flight buzz with a lunch that everyone loves, PIZZA! Savor handcrafted specialty pizzas and pastas at **California Pizza Kitchen**. Have a picky eater? The CPkids menu serves up simple, smaller pizzas, mac 'n' cheese and even an ice cream sundae! Use that sugar high to hype the family up for your next experience just around the corner at **iFLY Seattle**. Ever heard of indoor skydiving? iFLY Seattle has a vertical wind tunnel making indoor flight easy, fun, and safe for all ages. After a tutorial, get suited up for your turn in the tunnel. Additional photos and videos are available for purchase to help you all relive the excitement over and over when you return home.



### Day 2

Start your day off in the fast lane at **Sykart**. These state-of-the-art go-karts are built for speed and are typically for drivers wielding licenses. However, the weekend is for family and the Youth Track is open to kids 8 years of age and up; so, the whole family can burn rubber and satisfy their need for speed!

## FAMILY FUN 4-DAY ITINERARY Continued

With the adrenaline pumping, you might not have noticed just how hungry you were. Take the family down to the waterfront community of Des Moines for some hot dogs at the **Des Moines DogHouse**. While the kids enjoy some classic corn dogs and chips, parents can try some of the experimental delights that make this house of hot dogs so special, like Columbian chorizo, linguica, or a Louisiana hot link.

After lunch, head down to the **Marine Science and Technology (MaST) Center** and discover a new world beneath Puget Sound! This aquarium is open for public viewing every Saturday and admission is FREE! Kids will get a chance to view over 250 native Puget Sound species, touch some Puget Sound creatures in two large touch tanks, and stand in awe under one massive, 38-foot Gray Whale skeleton.

If the visit to the MaST Center got the family in the mood for some seafood, head next door to **Salty's Redondo Beach**.

A true Pacific Northwest classic, Salty's has served delicious, locally sourced seafood for decades. With an extensive kid's menu featuring not only fish and chips, but grilled cheese, hamburgers, and more, there will be plenty of crab, salmon, and seasonal catches for the seafood-loving parents to enjoy.



### Day 3

A true metropolis of fun activities, **Family Fun Center** is exactly that: FUN! With laser tag, bumper boats, batting cages, mini golf, bowling, and a whole lot more, you'll find that kids will sleep quite well after a few hours at Family Fun Center. While you're there, stop by Bullwinkle's Restaurant for some pizza or chicken sliders and finish off the meal with a molten lava cake platter!

Just down the street from Family Fun Center sits the biggest shopping center in the Pacific Northwest, **Westfield Southcenter**. If the kids have any energy left, take them to the kid's play place, Disney store, LEGO store, or Build-A-Bear Workshop. There are plenty of high-end retailers for adults too; and after your shopping adventure, head to the third floor and catch a 3D movie at AMC Theatre's massive IMAX screen. Finally, end your day with a relaxing Caribbean dinner and a Bahamarita (get a Raspberry Surfer for the kids) at **Bahama Breeze**.



### Day 4

After three days of exploring Seattle Southside, it's time to catch the light rail and take a ride to downtown Seattle. Head to the Stadium stop if there's a Seahawks, Sounders FC, or Mariners game; University Street station to see **Pike Place Market**, the **Seattle Aquarium** and the **Great Wheel**; or get off at Westlake station and hop on the **Monorail** to **Seattle Center** to see the **Space Needle**, **MoPOP**, and the **Seattle Children's Museum**.



# 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.  
*Price: Free*



**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*



**For discounts and coupons:**  
The **Do More - Save More Passport** has deals on some of the most popular area attractions, restaurants, hotels, and experiences. Check your passport before paying full price!  
*Price: Free*