

3-DAY ITINERARY

# PLAY IN SEATTLE'S BACKYARD

WESTFIELD SOUTHSIDE IS ONE-STOP HOLIDAY SHOPPING FOR EVERYONE ON YOUR LIST.

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.

SEATTLE  
**SOUTHSIDE**   
SeaTac | Tukwila | Des Moines



## 'Tis the Season

The holidays are almost here! There's plenty of gifts to be bought, food to be eaten and fun to be had in Seattle Southside. Get holly and jolly in Seattle's backyard with this holiday-themed itinerary for a weekend vacay or staycay.

### Day 1

Check in to your hotel and drop your bags off at your room. If you're like me, you get hungry immediately after checking in. Nestled perfectly between Tukwila and SeaTac sits a restaurant that's perfect for a cold, winter night. **Claim Jumper** offers huge portions of comfort food, and a lodge-feel with their stone and cedar décor and massive fireplace. This a dining experience the whole family will enjoy, especially when you order a slice of the six-layer motherlode cake for dessert.

After dinner, you might just want to head back to the hotel for a night in. You've got a big day ahead of you....



The Museum of Flight



## Day 2

Wake up and enjoy a quick breakfast at your hotel. No matter which hotel you're staying at, you really can't go wrong with the restaurants around here. After breakfast, take a trip to the largest independent non-profit air and space museum in the world, **The Museum of Flight!** If you happen to be here on the weekend of December 16th, you just might catch a glimpse of Santa's Landing Party. Santa doesn't always need his reindeer to fly, on weekends, he might take a spin in a small plane or helicopter.

You'll have a blast at the museum exploring WWI and WWII fighter planes, an original Air Force One, and be sure to check out the new Apollo exhibit, focusing on the moon landings. After your aerospace journey, head to **Arashi Ramen** for a lunch that's sure to warm you up. Delicious pork broth and fresh noodles combine to create the perfect winter meal. Think of your mom's chicken noodle soup...10x..

You have to get your holiday shopping done eventually, why not enjoy it? Just down the street sits **Westfield Southcenter**, the largest shopping center in the Pacific Northwest. Here you'll find dozens of boutique and big box stores, 50+ restaurants & eateries, an **AMC theater** and plenty of holiday cheer. Not everybody enjoys shopping, however, so they can head upstairs to **Round 1 Entertainment** for some bowling and video games.

Finally, enjoy a tropical dinner at **Bahama Breeze**. Hey, Santa comes to the Caribbean too! There will be plenty of coconut shrimp, bahamaritas and jerk chicken to go around; and if you're lucky, you might even get some live Christmas carols with an island twist.

Spa at Cedarbrook Lodge



## Day 3

Start your final day off on a relaxing note at the **Spa at Cedarbrook Lodge**. Try an Alaskan Glacial Mud Wrap or a Sea Salt Exfoliation and Rainwater Remedy to ease into your final day in Seattle Southside. After your luxurious spa treatment, head down to Redondo Beach for Salty's holiday brunch. You haven't truly had brunch until you've enjoyed fresh oysters, prime rib, manila clams, and eggs benedict at Salty's. There are so many exquisite options, it'll be hard to control yourself.

Once you're full, take a short trip up to **Des Moines Beach Park**. The beach is a great place to be in the summer, but it's stunning in the winter (especially if it's snowing). You'll enjoy the fresh air and views of Puget Sound, plus nothing beats a walk along the beach, no matter the season.

If you happened to notice the elegant restaurant at the **Cedarbrook Lodge** before or after your spa treatment, you might have been interested enough to return for dinner.

Copperleaf Restaurant



A wise choice. **Copperleaf Restaurant** is the "quintessentially Northwest" farm-to-table restaurant that should be reserved for a special occasion. Their dishes range from bacon wrapped rabbit sirloin, to Lummi Island Poulet bleu, to Applewood smoked sablefish. They too, have the lodge feel with a giant fireplace in the middle of the restaurant. Dinner and dessert here will put an elegant cap on your holiday getaway.

# 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!  
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