## Unforgettable Family Fun: Things To Do In The Smokies With Kids

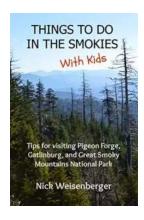


If you're planning a family vacation, look no further than the breathtaking Great Smoky Mountains. Nestled on the border of Tennessee and North Carolina, this picturesque destination offers endless opportunities for adventure and exploration for kids of all ages. From scenic hikes to interactive museums, there is something here to captivate every member of your family. Get ready for an unforgettable experience in the Smokies!

#### 1. Discover the Wonder of Nature

Immerse your children in the natural beauty of the Smoky Mountains with a visit to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Covering over 800 square miles,

this UNESCO World Heritage Site is a treasure trove of outdoor wonders. Lace up your hiking boots and explore one of the numerous trails suitable for all skill levels. Don't miss the chance to spot wildlife like black bears, deer, and elk along the way. The open fields and picturesque waterfalls will leave your kids in awe of the incredible power and magic of nature.



# Things to do in the Smokies with Kids: Tips for visiting Pigeon Forge, Gatlinburg, and Great Smoky Mountains National Park

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#### 2. Delve into History and Culture

Take your little history buffs on a journey through time at the Mountain Farm Museum in the heart of the national park. This living history museum showcases traditional Appalachian farm life from the 19th century. Kids can participate in activities like blacksmithing, weaving, and milking cows. Feel the nostalgia as you explore log cabins, barns, and farm tools from a bygone era. This interactive experience will give your children a glimpse into the challenges and joys of rural mountain living.

#### 3. Seek Thrills at Dollywood

No visit to the Smoky Mountains is complete without a trip to Dollywood, the world-renowned theme park named after the legendary Dolly Parton. From electrifying roller coasters to live entertainment, this family-friendly amusement park offers a wide range of attractions. Watch your kids' faces light up as they meet their favorite characters, enjoy thrilling rides, and indulge in mouthwatering treats. Whether you're a fan of country music or simply seeking an adrenaline rush, Dollywood is a must-visit destination that guarantees fun for the whole family.

#### 4. Explore Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies

Dive into an underwater wonderland at Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies.

Located in the charming town of Gatlinburg, this spectacular aquarium houses thousands of fascinating marine creatures. Watch in awe as your children come face-to-face with sharks, turtles, penguins, and vibrant tropical fish. The interactive exhibits and touch tanks allow kids to explore and learn about different marine ecosystems. Don't miss the chance to walk through the awe-inspiring underwater tunnel for an up-close encounter with mesmerizing underwater life.

### 5. Enjoy Outdoor Adventures

For families seeking an adrenaline rush, the Smoky Mountains provide an array of outdoor activities. Go whitewater rafting along the thrilling rapids of the Pigeon River, or try ziplining through the treetops for a bird's eye view of the breathtaking landscapes. If you prefer a more relaxing adventure, take a scenic horseback ride or embark on a peaceful fishing trip in the mountain streams. The possibilities are endless for outdoor enthusiasts of all ages.

#### 6. Marvel at the WonderWorks Interactive Museum

Step into a world of science and discovery at WonderWorks, an interactive museum that will ignite your children's curiosity. Located in Pigeon Forge, this upside-down building holds over 100 hands-on exhibits across six interactive zones. From designing and riding your own roller coaster to experiencing hurricane-force winds, your kids will have the time of their lives as they engage with educational exhibits disguised as thrilling adventures. Unleash their imagination and watch them learn in a fun and exciting environment.

#### 7. Create Lasting Memories

Whether it's building sandcastles at the family-friendly beaches along Fontana Lake or picnicking in the shadow of the picturesque waterfalls, the Smoky Mountains provide ample opportunities for quality family time. Capture the beauty of the surroundings with a family photoshoot at Cades Cove or embark on a scenic drive through the Cades Cove Loop Road, where you may encounter white-tailed deer and black bears. Take a break from the digital world and reconnect with your loved ones amidst the splendor of the Smokies.

With its stunning natural beauty, rich history, and thrilling attractions, the Smoky Mountains offer countless opportunities for adventure and family fun. From exploring the Great Smoky Mountains National Park to immersing themselves in the wonders of Dollywood, children of all ages are sure to be captivated by this unique destination. So grab your hiking boots, pack your sense of adventure, and get ready for an unforgettable family vacation in the Smokies!

Remember, the memories you create together will last a lifetime.

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The Smoky Mountain region is an amazing vacation destination: majestic views, wonderful wildlife, thrilling rides, and relaxing walks are all to be found and enjoyed. Activities include relaxing, hiking, shopping, people watching, crafting, backpacking and more.

You'll find something to suite every family member's needs or interests. Things to Do in the Smokies with Kids will give you the tips and information you need to explore this popular and picturesque region with confidence.

If you don't have time to sort through a 1,000+ page guide then this book is for you. Things to Do in the Smokies with Kids is not all encompassing; every single attraction in the area is not covered. Why sort through a list of every single restaurant in the area when you know you're never going to make it to 99% of them?

Rather, this book is a selective look at family oriented entertainment in the Smoky Mountains that are well worth visiting, from Dollywood to Goats on the Roof, from crusin' the Foothills Parkway to Crave mini-golf. Trust me, your kids will be talking about these activities for ages and begging you to go back - mine are!

The guide is organized geographically into three main regions (from North to South): Pigeon Forge, Gatlinburg, and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Tips to improve your vacation while visiting the Smoky Mountain region include:

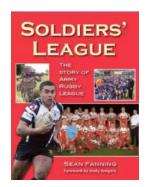
- ◆ The best roads to take to avoid traffic congestion
- ◆ How to save money on almost every attraction
- ◆ Use the table provided to easily compare all the mountain coasters in the region to determine your priority list of the one you want to ride.
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- ♦ My favorite Smoky Mountain Cabin to stay in
- ◆ Free things to do in Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg; what Gatlinburg attractions are worth visiting?
- ◆ When the best time to visit the Smoky Mountains is in terms of crowds and weather

This isn't just a compiled list of second hand data from Google searches. This book is full of current information written from an author who has actually been there, done that (and has the pictures to prove it). The enclosed tips ensure you'll get the most out of your vacation with the least amount of hassle.

For example, learn some of the best shortcuts and alternative routes so that you'll avoid the stressful traffic congestion and have more time for exploring the beauty of the Smoky Mountains.

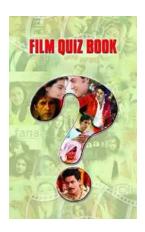
Learn about the top sights the entire family will enjoy, essential trip planning tips for traveling with kids, and how to improve your vacation by maximizing your time and dollars.

If you've never been to Pigeon Forge, Gatlinburg, or the Smoky Mountains before then this quick start guide is for you!



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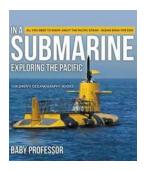
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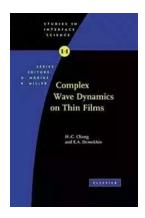
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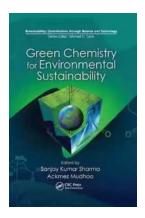
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