

Rashmi's Guide for Kids Friendly Activities

If I'm out and about with my son, more than likely I'll be at one of these places.



Best Garden

HUNTINGTON LIBRARY

1151 Oxford Rd, San Marino, CA 91108

<https://huntington.org/>

Wander through botanical gardens, soaking in the breathtaking views of different plant varieties in more than a dozen gardens, including the children's Gardens (complete with water features).

Best Place to see Peacock

LOS ANGELES ARBORETUM

301 N Baldwin Ave, Arcadia, CA 91007

<https://www.arboretum.org/>

Enjoy areas famous peacocks showing off their feathers while checking out the historical botanical garden.

Best Place for Hiking

EATON CANYON NATURAL AREA

1801-1945 Veranada Ave, Altadena, CA 91001

<https://www.ecnca.org/>

Explore the trails, trees, waterfalls, and wildlife. The Junior Nature Trail is especially suited for little ones, as is the Nature Center.

Best Local Museum

KIDSPACE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

480 N Arroyo Blvd, Pasadena, CA 91103

<https://kidspacemuseum.org/>

Climbing, biking, exploring arroyo: this space is designed to delight and engage children emotionally, intellectually, and physically through joyful, kid-driven experiences.

Best Bookstore

VROMAN'S BOOKS

695 E. Colorado Blvd. Pasadena, CA 91101

<https://www.vromansbookstore.com/>

Immerse with your kids in books at California's Largest & Oldest Independent Bookstore.

Best Indoor Activities

PASADENA ICE SKATING CENTER

00 E Green St, Pasadena, CA 91101

<https://www.skatepasadena.com/>

Cool down with your kids while whirling and twirling in skates at this indoor rink.

NEON RETRO ARCADE

28 S Raymond Ave, Pasadena, CA 91105

<http://www.neonretroarcade.com/>

Get nostalgic with kids by playing a few rounds of old-fashioned pinball.

Best Local Park

BROOKSIDE PARK

360 North Arroyo Boulevard, Pasadena, CA 91103

<https://www.cityofpasadena.net/parks-and-rec/parks/brookside-park/>

Picnic while watching your kids pretending to be pirates at this pirate ship-themed playground.

Best Beach

LEO CARRILLO STATE BEACH

35000 West Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, CA 90265

https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=30660

Explore tide pools, coastal caves and reefs while watching people surf.

Best In n Out to Eat

IN-N-OUT BURGER – LAX

9149 S Sepulveda Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90045

<https://locations.in-n-out.com/117-Los-Angeles>

Enjoy burgers, hand-cut fries and real ice cream shakes while watching planes land at LAX at this great plane-spotting place.

Best Museum in Broader Los Angeles

LA BREA TAR PITS

5801 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90036

<https://tarpits.org/>

Explore the only consistently active urban Ice Age excavation site in the world with your little ones. Just make sure that the tar stays off their hand.

Best Theater

BOB BAKER MARIONETTE THEATER

4949 York Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90042

<https://www.bobbakermarionettetheater.com/>

Enjoy the wonder of puppets with your little ones.

Best Outdoor Climbing

VASQUEZ ROCKS

10700 Escondido Canyon Rd, Agua Dulce, CA 91390

<https://parks.lacounty.gov/vasquez-rocks-natural-area-and-nature-center/>

Let the little explorers run free to rock-climb and hike through stunning scenery.