

TOP 10 FAMILY FUN TIPS for a rainy day in the Margaret River Region







During Autumn and Winter, our region is often blessed with crisp mornings followed by fresh sunny days. Important for a farm like ours though is to punctuate clear weather with healthy doses of rain, ideally overnight....there's nothing like enjoying the sound is rain beating down on a tin cottage roof.

Travelling with kids on a rainy day needn't be full of frustration, so here are our top tips for making the most of rainy days.

1. Visit a cave (20 mins away)

The region is famous for limestone caves and being underground, you're well sheltered from the rain. We like Mammoth for younger kids as it's a bit easier on the legs and is self guided (with optional audio guide) so you're not forced to stay in a tour group. Jewel and Lake are lovely and both offer guided tours. *Recommend during week ends and holidays to book a visit to the cave as numbers are limited.*

2. Yallingup Maze (25 mins away)

Well known for it's outdoor fun, Yallingup Maze has an indoor cafe with loads of board games and puzzles to play with. You can either borrow from their wide selection or indeed purchase one from their store.

3. Country Life Farm Dunsborough (40 mins away)

This farm and entertainment complex is like stepping back in time, with a carrousel and dodgem cars, as well as a large indoor play gym and undercover small animals enclosure.

4. Ninjas in Mocean (2 mins away)

Inspired by Australian Ninjas, this recently opened indoor play gym, perfect for kids. Costs \$12-\$16 for 2 hours and there's a small cafe for parents to hang out.

5. Discover Deadly (25 mins away in Carbanup)

With a space designed around 'edutainment', the team will showcase and array of native snakes and spiders. Not for the fainthearted.

6. White Elephant Cafe (10 mins away)

The cafe has a lovely fireplace and sofa in the corner. If you want to blow out the cobwebs, celebrate the rain at the beach

7. Wow Illusions (20 mins away)

An attraction of puzzles, illusions and cafe. Suits older kids.

8. Go for a sheltered walk

If you're up for a stroll in the light rain, a walk from Rotary Park around the trails is pretty well sheltered by dense tree canopy. Closer to home, try our "Discovery Walk"

9. School Holidays Programs

If you're visiting during school holidays, try googling for local holiday programs which may include art classes, or glass blowing or the like. We can access our community facebook page for you too.

10. Visit a winery

with a fireplace and a colouring table for kids (think a yummy red at Cape Mentelle)

For dining, many of the breweries and wineries have indoor fireplaces and drawing tables for kids. Close by, try Cape Mentelle, Xanadu and Cheeky Monkey.

Margaret River Visitor's Centre Tips

Back at Margaret River Holiday Cottages

If you need space outside of your cottage, then feel free to make the most of the pool house and games room or head to the Roo House and see the animals around the farm.

Umbrellas are available to borrow from the Roo House and gumboots from the Guest Spot (the guest shed, door code #8888). Please clean and return anything you borrow!

- Try the heated indoor pool (10am sunset)
- The DVD library is located outside the pool and games room with 100s of DVDs to choose from
- The Games room has a pool table, air hockey, table tennis, arcade game (10am sunset)
- The Board Games library is located outside the games room with games for all ages.
- For those with a fireplace, stock up on freshly split Jarrah wood and kindling before the rains come!
- If you want to watch something on a streaming service such as Netflix, you need to log into your own account.

If you're still unsure and need some more info, please whatsapp/sms/call us on +61 (0) 481 606 069.

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