

Great Valley Rally

The Great Valley Rally is a treasure hunt designed for families with children aged 5 – 12 years. The Rally begins at the Swan Valley Visitor Centre and takes around three hours to complete.

Rally goers must solve cryptic clues to navigate themselves around the many attractions of the Swan Valley. At the finish line, families are presented with certificates and children receive small prizes as mementos of the experience. The Great Valley Rally map is downloadable from www.swanvalley.com.au, or can be picked up from the Swan Valley Visitor Centre (see back panel for details).

The River Retreat

The River Retreat is your one stop location for exciting, interactive Australian activities. Situated 35 minutes from the city, The River Retreat holds special daily activities. These activities include farm animal feeding, pony rides, Ripping Yarns on the Riverbank and aboriginal cultural activities and gallery tours.

Make a day of it and join in some lamikin fun in The Outback Show, featuring the horseback sheep muster, working sheep dogs, whip cracking, billy tea and of course, sheep shearing.

Minimum numbers may apply for activities and booking at least 24 hours in advance is recommended. For more information, please contact The River Retreat on (08) 9296 1007 or visit www.theriverretreat.com.au.

Swan Valley Cycling Trail

The Swan Valley's cycle trail now has interpretive signage to compliment the cycling routes which run through many of the valley's attractions. The signage provides travellers with interesting information about the region, its rich history, entertaining characters and stunning flora and fauna.

The Swan Valley boasts 10kms of shared use paths and many kilometres of sealed hard shoulder road, as well as quite, scenic, cycle friendly back roads. For more information, please visit www.swanvalley.com.au, or contact the Swan Valley Visitor Centre (see back panel for details).

WA Reptile Park

The WA Reptile Park located in Henley Brook is home to some of the great Aussie reptiles including fresh water crocodiles and the amazing South American Boa Constrictor. Come and learn about venomous snakes, the scaly lizards, hold a cuddly python or perhaps a close encounter with some of our other wildlife. Picnic and BBQ facilities available.

WA Reptile Park is open Saturday, Sundays & Mondays, every day during school holidays except Christmas, Anzac and Good Friday. Group bookings available anytime. If you would like more details, contact (08) 9296 3101.

Whiteman Park

Situated only 30 minutes from the Perth CBD, Whiteman Park provides a great day out for kids young and old. It is open every day of the year, and entrance to the park is free, which provides access to many of the attractions, including the playgrounds, walking trails and sporting facilities. With hectares of open space, great playground facilities and loads of fun attractions, Whiteman Park is sure to make a day choc-full of activities that will keep the kids happy.

Whiteman Park is home to some of the most popular attractions in the Swan Valley, including Caversham Wildlife Park, Birds of Prey flying displays, Revolutions- transport heritage exhibition, vintage tram & train rides, the Motor Museum of WA and more. There are even special school holiday activities for children. For more information please contact (08) 9209 6000 or visit www.whitemanpark.com.au.

No trip to the Swan Valley is complete without food, why not pack a picnic and visit one of the many scenic river bank parks or eat at one of the many child friendly cafes or wineries. More information on picnic spots and places to eat can be found on the Swan Valley map and guide available from the Swan Valley Visitor Centre, or online at www.swanvalley.com.au.

For Visitor Information, maps, souvenirs, free accommodation and tour booking service contact:

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Swan Valley Family Fun



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“For many years local families have considered the Swan Valley to be their playground, so it’s wonderful to see the word get out about the many family friendly delights. The hardest part is choosing which one to do today” Charlie Gregorini, mayor, City of Swan.

The Swan Valley is situated only a short 25 minutes drive from Perth, and it’s not just a place to visit for a great meal and a fantastic glass of wine; it also has plenty to offer as far as family entertainment.

With so many children-friendly activities, special events during the school holidays and loads of wide open space for picnicking and letting off steam, the valley is an ideal destination for families. No wonder children love the Swan Valley. Many of the region’s wineries and cafes offer safe play areas for children and some go even further, providing other activities to keep the kids happy.

Be sure to check out the countless family attractions in the region. A trip to the Swan Valley can be a wonderful experience for the whole family.

Cuddly Animal Farm

Spend an unforgettable visit at the Cuddly Animal Farm where children and grown-ups alike can experience the joy of meeting, patting, cuddling, bucket and bottle feeding lots of delightful friendly farm animals in a lovely relaxed country environment. Open everyday from 10.30 am-5pm (except Christmas Day & Boxing Day) at 128 John Street Henley Brook.

Included in the entry of \$10 pp (children & adults) or \$35 for 4, is the Big Bouncy Castle, Train rides around the farm, BBQ and picnic facilities plus tea/coffee for grown-ups. The Cuddly Animal Farm is also a wonderful venue for Birthday Parties, School Excursions, Playgroups, Seniors Groups etc. Call Farmer Lin on 0424 209 730 or visit www.cuddlyanimalfarm.com.

Caversham Wildlife Park

Situated in Whiteman Park, Caversham Wildlife Park houses one of the largest collections of native fauna in Australia. It is also one of the only places in Western Australia where you can see more obscure species such as the cassowary, dingo and flying fox. Picnic areas, barbecues and a restaurant are all available in Whiteman Park, just a four minute walk away.

Caversham Wildlife Park is open from 8:30am – 5:30pm every day of the year (except Christmas Day). Admission is \$17 for adults, \$15 for pensioners and \$6.50 for children. For more information visit www.cavershamwildlife.com.au or phone (08) 9248 1984.

Guildford Heritage Walk Trails

Take a step back in time and explore the fascinating historic buildings, lively characters and wonderful stories of Guildford. There are three trails to choose from each with a different theme and duration All start at the Old Guildford Courthouse (c1866) which is currently the home of the Swan Valley Visitor Centre where you can collect your trail map (see back panel for details). When walking the trail be sure to stop and browse Guildford's Antique strip, grab a bite in one of the many cafes or a beer at an historic pub.

The Maze

The Maze, situated 45 minutes north of Perth in Bullsbrook, makes for a fun day out for the whole family. Situated in 32 acres of lush parkland, The Maze offers a unique range of games guaranteed to challenge and entertain the whole family.

The main attraction is the 2500m² Timber Maze, but there is also disc and mini golf, friendly koalas, kangaroos and emus to meet. Pack a picnic to enjoy under the trees or grab a bite to eat at Café Iguana.

The Maze is open from 10.00am-5.00pm seven days a week. Entry is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children, with family passes \$45. For more details, call (08) 9571 1375 or visit www.themaze.com.au.

Margaret River Chocolate Company

For those with a sweet tooth, the Swan Valley outlet of the Margaret River Chocolate Company provides a fascinating insight into the world of chocolate, with visitors treated to free chocolate tastings, interactive displays and viewing windows to watch the chocolate products being made.

Kids (and adults) will love the range of innovative chocolate coated products including crunchy nougat, honeycomb, dried apricots, sundried plums, dairy caramels plus the award winning chocolate coated ginger.

The company also produces and sells a wide range of sensational jams, chutneys, olive oils, tapenades, coffees and salad dressings under the Margaret River Providore label.

The Margaret River Chocolate Company welcomes visitors with friendly staff and fantastic products. The factory is open from 9:00am – 5:00pm every day of the year. Entry is free. For more information phone (08) 9250 1588 or visit www.chocolatefactory.com.au.

Mondo Nougat

Visit the Mondo World of Nougat in the Swan Valley and watch Alfonso Romeo and his family making fresh hot nougat through the special viewing window. Your complimentary tasting of fresh Mondo Nougat will be delicious.

Alfonso has taken a family secret dating back many generations and introduced the local market to Soft Nougat, Crunchy Nougat, Flavoured Nougat and most recently Crème de Nougat, a spreadable nougat gaining praise from restaurateurs, chefs and of course general consumers.

Mondo's Nougat has a café where you can be tempted by their range of homemade cakes, biscotti, gelati and nougat or simply sit back with a coffee while the kids enjoy the famous Mondo nougat deluxe hot chocolate. Mondo's is open Tuesday to Sunday from 8:30am - 5:00pm and on public holidays from 9:30am - 5:00pm. For more information phone (08) 9296 1641 or visit www.mondonougat.com.au.

Oggies Ice Cream Cafe

As a treat at the end of an eventful day in the valley, why not spoil the family at Oggies Ice Cream Café, where Swan Valley fruits are transformed into mouth watering ice-creams, sorbets, sherbets and granitas.

Oggies is unique to the Swan Valley and totally individual. Enjoy light lunches, coffee and dessert or simply an ice cream along the way. Or relax at one of the lovely front terrace tables overlooking the valley with plenty of room for the children to play.

Oggies Ice Cream Café is open every day from 10.00am – 5.00pm and until 6pm on Sundays. For more information phone (08) 9296 6095.

Swan Valley Oasis Resort

Swan Valley Oasis Resort, 35 minutes from the city, is home to a number of fun attractions, including Supa Golf and mini-putt. Supa golf is great fun for kids aged six and up. This unique take on golf uses oversize clubs and larger balls over a much shorter distance. The course is 18 holes with bunkers and water traps, with a 900 metre walk per 9 holes.

The Mini-putt miniature golf course is great fun and entertainment for all ages and is a perfect addition to a day trip to the Swan Valley.

Oasis Resort is open seven days a week from 9.00am. For more information please contact (08)9296 5566 or visit www.swanvalleyoasis.com.

