

10 THINGS TO DO

To Have Fun in the Backyard

1 obstacle course

Create your own obstacle course using simple items that are available. Set up different stations and make it a challenge to beat your own times. This is fun for the whole family!

2 Water Games

There are many water games to play in the backyard, including: water balloons, water pistols, using food colouring in water play, floating toy boats in buckets and more!

3 Build a cubby House

Create your own special spot outside to play in and even have a picnic. Use items like sheets hanging over the clothesline or a tree; even large boxes make fun outdoor spaces!

4 Ball Games

Play piggy in the middle, catch, roll ball, tunnel ball, poison ball, backyard soccer.

5 Chalk Drawing

This is a cheap and easy outdoor activity for the backyard. Simply provide outdoor chalk and children can draw and create on the concrete.

6 Wash Toys

Washing toys can be fun! Think a car wash with shaving cream and a tub of water or sudsy water to wash doll clothes or hair.

7 Paper Planes

Have a paper plane challenge. You can Google templates to use, and then have a challenge to see how far family members can throw the planes in the backyard.

8 Blow Bubbles

Blowing bubbles is always a hit. Keep them in the cupboard for a lazy afternoon of fun.

9 Dinner Picnic

The summer months are a good opportunity to head out for an early family picnic dinner. The good thing about this idea is you can keep inside mess to a minimum.

10 Mud Kitchen

Kids love mud! Find a spot in the corner of the backyard for a mud kitchen.

Check out www.natureplayqld.org.au for more Nature Playlists and outdoor activities.

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