# things to do before you turn 12 around Launceston

## **1** Go Camping:

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Myrtle Park Camping & Recreation Ground, Lilydale Falls, at a National Park Campground, a Caravan Park, or in your Backyard

#### 2 Visit <u>City Park</u>:

Visit the Ducks, Ride the Train, Ride your Scooter, Make Daisy Chains, <u>City Park Radio Museum</u>, Play in the Train Playground, Play Giantboard Chess, Visit the Conservatory

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#### 3 Explore Toddler's Playgrounds:

<u> Riverbend, Punchbowl, First Basin & Fairy</u> Dell at Cataract Gorge, West Launceston <u>Community Park, Charlton Park, St Georges</u> 0 0 <u>Square, Civic Square Waterplay, Harley</u> 0 <u> Parade, Blackstone Park</u> ٥ ۰

#### 4 Build Fun Skills: Swim, Ride a Bike or a Horse/Pony at a 0-5yo Playgroup, <u>Archery at Trevallyn</u>

#### 5 Cruise Toddler Trike Paths: Riverbend/Seaport/Royal Park, Torren Street Park, <u>Ti Tree Cresent Park, Heritage Forest</u>, West Tamar Walking Trail, City to Cataract Gorge Path, <u>Morsehead</u> <u>Street Reserve, Waverley Lake,</u> Road Safety Centre

#### 6 Go Swimming or Paddling: Launceston Aquatic Centre, First Basin (Cataract Gorge), St Leonards, Trevallyn Dam, Corra Linn, Lilydale Pool

#### 7 Explore Walking Trails:

Cataract Gorge, Youngtown Regional Park, 🥑 Tamar Island Wetlands, Heritage Forrest Tasman Highway Bushland Reserve, Ti-Tree Crescent Park & Local Reserves at <u>Trevallyn</u>, Cambridge Street, Fraser Street and Woods Reserve

## Get Active on a Flat Bike/ Walking Track:

Seaport/Royal/Kings Park, Penny Royal to Cataract <u>Gorge</u> (bikes not permitted), <u>Hoblers Bridge (North</u> <u>Esk River), Machens Reserve, Rocherlea Old Rail Trail,</u> Newnham Reserve (QR Code below)

#### 9 Do a Short Hike:

Merthyr Park (Lilydale), Launceston Urban Fringe Trails (LUFT), Aquatic Point (Trevallyn Lake) to Trevallyn Dam Walk, Zig Zag Track to Duck Reach (at Cataract Gorge) (QR link below)

#### 10 Skate/Scooter at: Royal Park, Torrens Street Park, Mowbray Sport & Skate, <u>Ravenswood Adventure Park</u>

#### 11 Hit the Mountain Bike Trails: Kate Reed, Trevallyn Reserve, Hollybank Reserve, George Town or <u>Derby Rail Trails</u>: Scottsdale to Billycock, Liffey, Rocherlea, Railton to Sheffield

#### 12 Be a Local Tourist:

Seek Ideas at Visitors' Centre, Ride the Free Tiger

## **16 Shoot Hoops:**

Riverbend, Ti-Tree Park, Ravenswood Community Park, West Launceston Community Park, Torrens Street Park, Charlton Street Reserve, Newstead Reserve, PCYC

#### 17 Bike a Pump Track:

<u>Ti Tree Cresent Reserve, Torrens Street Park,</u> <u>Hollybank, Legana, Beaconsfield, George Town & a</u> new one coming! Join the BMX Club at St Leonards

#### 18 Go Fishing:

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Corra Linn, Waverley Lake, Myrtle Park, St Leonards, Lake Trevallyn, North Esk near <u>Hoblers Bridge</u>, Windermere Jetty, South Esk River, Meander Valley, Brumby Creek, Four Springs Lake. (No licence required under 14yo. See QR link below)

#### 19 Explore <u>OVMAG</u> - Museums & Planetarium:

Phenomena Factory, Kids Connection Trail, Make it Days, Clue Hunts, Tram Ride, Learn at Home & Dinosaurs. Explore the Universe & Learn about Astronomy at the Planetarium

## 20 Play Tennis or Rolling Tennis:

Royal Park, Bluegum Park, Myrtle Park **Recreation Ground** 

#### 21 GeoCache Treasure Hunting: Over 100 Geocache Sites in greater Launceston (OP link helow)

#### 22 Explore <u>Heritage Forest</u>:

Flying Fox, Walking & Bike Trails, Playground, Dog Walking Trails + Dog Park/Agility Training Area, Orienteering Trails, Picnic Areas

#### 23 Become a Maker:

Make a Kite. Test Paper Plane Designs. Design & Paint a Rock to do a Tas Rocks Drop at a Park, Finger Knit, Do Origami, Build a Birdhouse, Create Junk Art

#### 24 Fly a Kite:

<u>Coronation Park, Royal Park, Punchbowl, Torrens</u> <u>Street Park, Myrtle Bank, Trevallyn Reserve</u>

## 25 Explore Cataract Gorge:

City to Cataract Gorge/First Basin walk, Duck Reach Power Station, Zig Zag Walk, Eagles Eyrie, Trevallyn to Cataract Gorge, See a Peacock Preening, Check out the View from each Lookout, See the Gorge in Flood

## 26 Do a Skill Tester Day:

Tallest Lego Skyscraper, Billycarting,  $\bigcirc$ Family Code Club, Skateboarding, Bike Trails/Pump Tracks, Handstand Competitions, Learn Jump Rope, Learn Double-Rope Jump, Online Science Experiments for Kids, Knitting or Croquet, Learn to Sew, Revamp an Op Shop Find

#### 27 Learn a New Game:

Card Game, Board Game, Hand Clapping Games, Elastics, Jump Rope, Double Jump Rope, **Finger Knitting** 

#### 28 Visit a Nearby Mountain, Lake or Waterfall:

MOUNTAINS: Ben Lomond, Mt Barrow, Mt Arthur, Mt Cameron, Great Western Tiers, Mountain Walks, Snow Play, Toboggan, Build an Igloo or Snowman LAKES: FourSprings Lake, Great Lake, Blue Lake WATERFALLS: Liffey, Lilydale, Meander, Ralph's Falls. St Columbia

## 29 Family Fun with the Dog:

Walk the dog, teach them a trick, or visit a dog park at: Heritage Forest, Hoblers Bridge, Hardwicke Street, St Leonards, Waverley Lake Park, Rocherlea Recreation Ground, Newnham Reserve, Coronation Park, Arbour Park (not fenced)

#### 30 Explore Lilydale:

Camp at <u>Lilydale Falls</u>, Short Walk to the Falls, <u>Merthyr Park</u>, Geoc

## 35 Cook a Treat for the Family:

Design the Ultimate Yummy Desert/Cake, Homemade Pizzas, No-bake Treats, Food from another Culture, Cook a Family Dinner

## 36 Explore <u>Trevallyn</u>

<u>Reserve</u> & Surrounds: 🗢 Walk to Duck Reach Power Station (Historic Site, Hoo Hoo Hut BBQ & Bush Play, Walk between Aquatic Point & Trevallyn Dam, Fly a Kite, Cable Hang Gliding, Try Archery, See Trevallyn Dam in Flood

37 Family Kayak Day: Trevallyn Dam, Royal Park/Seaport, Windermere (with a life jacket & an adult)

## 38 Visit a National Park:

Blue Tier, Central Plateau, Cradle Mountain, Great Western Tiers, Gunns Plains Caves, Mole Creek Karst, Mt Direction Historic Site, Liffey Falls, Trevallyn, Kate Reed, Waterhouse, Ben Lomond, Narawntapu and Walls of Jerusalem

### **39 Try Something New:**

Sepak Takraw at <u>Parkland Parade</u>, Barefoot Bowls, Skim Rocks at Corra Linn, Dance or Drama Class, Fossick for Gemstones, Learn a Musical Instrument at Esk Band, Take an Art Class, Sketch your Family, Pet or Favourite Thing, Cubs/Brownies or Scouts/Guides Walk Barefoot for a Day, Learn your Heritage (or someone else's), Take part in a Play or Sing in Public

#### 40 Check out Local Activity Centres:

Community Centre, Neighbourhood House, PCYC or Recreation Centre, Search-up Holiday Drop-in Activities near you

#### 41 Build a Massive Structure: Cardboard Box Castle, Lego Village, Blanket & Furniture Cubby House

#### 42 Pick Fruit, Berries or Vegies to Eat:

Near or at a Community Garden, Hollybank, Newnham Fruit Gardens (near the university), Dilston-Windermere area. Visit Local Farm Gates in Season

## 43 Explore <u>Punchbowl Reserve</u>:

Morsehead Street Reserve Walk to Punchbowl, Climb the Steps>Walk the Block>Down the track to the Waterfall, Ducks, Playground, BBQ & Picnic areas

## 44 Orienteering:

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Heritage Forest (x2) Punchbowl, Riverbend, Royal Park (Permanent courses), Hollybank

## 45 Become a Star Photographer:

Learn online to take fab photos then: Go Fossicking for Great Shots. Try taking Nature shots at <u>Fraser</u> Reserve, Hollybank, Granville Street Reserve, BlueGum Reserve & Cataract Gorge

#### 46 Hold a Marathon Activity: Movie Festival/Outdoor Cinema, Board Game Night/Day, Bike Ride, Walk to a Cool Place

#### 47 Explore Hollybank: Mt Biking, Pump Track, Picnic, Watch Tree Tops Adventure, Zip Line, Picnic & BBQ areas 🏼 🍊

## 48 Discover Something Active you Love:

Try something that's a: Sport, Physical Recreation, Theatre, <u>Do a Park Run</u>. Explore Parks & Wildlife, Things to Do (QR link below)

49 Discover Something **Relaxing you Love:** 

Craft, Art, Musical, Board Games, Playing Cards, Yoga/Meditation/Mindful Walks/LoFi. Visit a Farm, a Petting Zoo (like Old Macs Farm), or Pet Sit a Friend's Pet. Get Lost in a Book

## 50 Do Something to Help Others:

<u>taract Gorge,</u> Ri or City Route, City History Walk, Launceston Ghost Tour, Art Trail, Geocache

#### **13 Discover Favourite** Playgrounds:

Riverbend, Heritage Forest, Punchbowl, City Park, First Basin (Cataract Gorge) (QR Code below for more info)

### 14 Play Cricket in the Nets:

Bibra Place Recreation Reserve, Charlton St Reserve, Newstead Reserve (no nets), Myrtle Park Recreation Ground, Public Access School Grounds, Dover Reserve

#### 15 Play Sepak Takraw, Footy or Soccer:

Coronation Park, Torrens Street Park, Bibra Place Recreation Reserve, Waverley Lake Park, BlueGum Park, Royal Park, Pritchard Street Park, Heritage <u>Forest</u>, Dover Reserve, Public Access School Grounds. Try Sepak Takraw (kick volleyball) at <u>Parklands Parade</u>



#### 31 Visit the <u>Library</u>:

Borrow a Book or e-Book, Research your Family History, Libraries may also have Storytime, Rock N Rhyme or Baby Play

#### 32 Learn the Latest Dance Moves Online:

Hip Hop moves like Running Man, Leg Wave, Finesse Walk, Swag Dance, V-step Flappy Arm Kick, Criss Cross, Moonwalk. Check out other Dance Moves like: Cha-cha-slide & Electric Slide.

#### **33 Treasure Hunt Flowers to** Press on the Flora Trails at:

Cataract Gorge, Carr Villa Native Flora Reserve, Havelock Reserve, Granville Street Reserve

#### 34 Be Part of a Community Garden, Street Library or Seed Library:

Newnham, Ravenswood, Punchbowl, Trevallyn, West Launceston

Do a Charity Run, Help out at a Fundraiser. Volunteer (more than once) in something you are passionate about, Help the environment, animals, or help people stay healthy & social. Learn about other people, Learn to Banter

## 51 Visit a Beach:

<u>Greens Beach, Low Head</u>, Weymouth, Paper Beach, <u>Bridport</u> FUN AT THE BEACH: Paddle, Learn to Boogie Board, Play water games, <u>Try Surf Life Saving</u> (Nippers), Build Sandcastle and Sand Sculptures, collect shells, investigate rock pools, climb rocks, dig dams and tunnels

### 52 Do a <u>Destination Day Trip</u>:

HISTORIC TOWNS: Derby, George Town **Campbell Town, Beaconsfield or Evandale** INLAND TREASURES AT: Deloraine, Sheffield & the Western Tiers, Tasmania Zoo and the Tamar Valley, Visit a nearby Mountain, Lake or National Park





City of Launceston thanks the children and families of Launceston who helped create this list by sharing what they love doing in Launceston. Always risk check activities and supervise children.

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