Things to do in Glacier with children

- Junior Ranger Program – pick up a Junior Ranger booklet at one of the park visitor centers or ranger stations, have children complete the activities, go back to the visitor center for a ranger to check the answers and award the children with Glacier Junior Ranger badges.
- Check the park’s program schedule for when the Discovery Cabin in Apgar Village is open. Stop in with children to view skins and skulls and try to complete tasks at the education stations set up in the cabin.
- Check out one of the park family backpacks at the St. Mary or Apgar Visitor Centers.
- Camp at one of the campgrounds in the park.
- Get the “Day hikes” newspaper and choose a short hike to go on. Popular hikes for children include: Trail of the Cedars, the Rocky Point Trail, the Oxbow Trail, sections of the John’s Lake Loop, Avalanche Lake, Hidden Lake Nature Trail, Barring Falls, The Swift Current Nature Trail, and Running Eagle Falls at Two Medicine.
- Check for when the spotting scope will be set up at the Swift Current Motor Inn, Two Dog Flats is good for viewing elk. It’s possible to see wildlife anywhere in the park, so keep your eyes open.
- Walk on a swinging bridge! Hike the South Shore Two Medicine Trail and dangle over the creek on the seasonal bridge.
- Go on a ranger-led program.
- Have a picnic at one of the picnic areas in the park.
- Check out the different colored rocks found along the shorelines at Lake McDonald, Two Medicine, or St. Mary.
- Take a historic boat ride on Lake McDonald, Many Glacier, Two Medicine or St. Mary Lake.
- Visit one of the historic park lodges at Lake McDonald, East Glacier, or Many Glacier.
- Go horseback riding.
- Attend a campfire program or have your own campfire, roast marshmallows, and stay up late when the coals die down and do some star gazing.
- Go fishing.
- Rent a boat at Apgar, Two Medicine or Many Glacier.
- Do a river float trip with one of the park concessions.
- Find a peaceful spot to sit and listen for birds or to sketch an interesting plant.
- Connect with Glacier’s past visitors by journeying to some of the historic structures in the park. Possibilities include the historic school house building in Apgar Village, the Polebridge Ranger Station, or check out the view from the 1913 Ranger Station porch (inside is not open) in St. Mary.
- Attend one of the Native America Speaks programs or go to the Two Medicine Lake Singers and Dancers program.
- Bicycle (or hike) along the bike path between Apgar Village and West Glacier.