

Virtual Tours

The effects of social distancing have left many feeling, well, a little stir-crazy. Luckily, there's more than one way to stave off boredom while staying indoors by enjoying time as a family. "Whole family activities create important opportunities to bond, learn, and grow together, while providing each other with the emotional security needed to navigate rough waters." This week, check out some fun and cool virtual tours! We've selected a few below that your family might enjoy. If you don't like the ones we selected, discuss as a family some tours that you might find enjoyable! Another cool variation is to create a scavenger hunt of fun things you might see while on your tour. Click the links below and let the fun begin!

Museums

- The Louvre: You don't have to book a ticket to Paris to check out some of the famous pieces in the world's largest art museum. The Louvre has free online tours of three famous exhibits, including Egyptian Antiquities.

<https://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne#tabs>

- Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History: Move at your own pace through the 360-degree room-by-room tour of every exhibit in the museum.

<https://naturalhistory2.si.edu/vt3/NMNH/>

Zoos and Aquariums

- San Diego Zoo: With what may be the most live cam options, this zoo lets you switch between koalas, polar bears, and tigers in one sitting.
- Houston Zoo: There are plenty of different animals you can check in on with this zoo's live cam, but we highly recommend watching the playful elephants.

<https://kids.sandiegozoo.org/videos>

<https://www.houstonzoo.org/explore/webcams/>

Theme Parks

- Walt Disney World: Set aside some time, because there's plenty to see here. Virtual tours you can take include Magic Kingdom, Animal Kingdom, and Epcot, just to name a few.
- SeaWorld Orlando: The virtual tour of Seaworld includes a tour of Discovery Cove and the option to "ride" the steel roller coaster Mako.

<https://disneyparks.disney.go.com/blog/2018/03/disney-parks-launches-first-ever-360-degree-panoramas-on-google-street-view/>

<https://www.visitorlando.com/en/things-to-do/virtual-tours/seaworld-orlando>