



5 Great Places to Visit Clark County Wetlands Park Nature Preserve with Kids

Hi Parents & Kids! Pick your destination below. Then look at the Park Preserve map and follow Wetlands Park Friends' tips below to make your visit even greater!

- 1. The Boardwalk Pond** – Look for ducks, birds, turtles, and fish! If you see a big orange fish, that's Henry the Koi. Say hi to these critters, but don't feed them! Our food isn't good for wildlife.
- 2. The Willow Grove** – Why are the big, trunks of some old Goodding's Willow Trees crooked? (Hint, it has to do with water.) This is a great place for ant-watching. Sometimes you can see crayfish and clams in the stream!
- 3. The Cottonwood Grove** – Feels cooler under the trees, right? Look for evidence of bird nests, beaver dens and dams and listen. You might just hear the cackle of the mysterious Marsh Wren or see the Great Horned Owl.
- 4. Vern's Pond & Island** – Go through a slightly spooky tamarisk forest and cross the bridge to the island. There are many places to see ducks and birds and other animals. Explore!
- 5. The Weir Bridge** – If you're up for an adventure and it's not too hot outside, head up to the big weir bridge.

How to Make Your Park Visit Really Great!

- **KNOW BEFORE YOU GO.** Dogs, bicycles, and skateboards are not allowed in this area. If the Park is closed or the weather is bad, don't go. If the area is crowded, have a backup plan.
- **PLAN AHEAD.** Bring essentials like face coverings, hand sanitizer, drinking water, sunscreen, and a hat.
- **PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING.** Keep your group small and wear face coverings. Share the trails and other Park assets with others. If you are sick, stay home.
- **PLAY IT SAFE.** Slow down and choose low-risk activities when visiting. Park administration and staff, search and rescue operations, and health care resources are strained due to the pandemic.
- **EXPLORE LOCALLY.** The Park is centrally located in the Vegas Valley. It's a great place to explore. Come visit!
- **LEAVE NO TRACE.** Respect Park lands and waters, as well as your local communities. Take garbage you make with you when you leave.
- **HELP US BUILD AN INCLUSIVE OUTDOORS.** Make the outdoors safe and welcoming for all identities and abilities. Become a member of Wetlands Park Friends <https://wetlandsparkfriends.org/> and join the #RecreateResponsibly movement: <https://www.recreateresponsibly.org/>



