

YOUR FREE FAMILY GUIDE

Autumn adventures

Four easy weekends of little adventures, beautiful places and cosy moments in and around Bristol.

WHEN THE SKY IS BLUE(ISH)

1

Blaise Castle Estate

FREE • BS10 7QS

Woodland paths, a play area and the magical castle folly. Perfect for an autumn treasure hunt.

Try: Collect fallen leaves in five different colours.

bristol.gov.uk | Blaise Castle Estate

2

Ashton Court Estate

FREE ENTRY • BS41 9JN

Huge green spaces, colourful trees and deer park views. Keep a respectful distance from wildlife.

Try: Pack a flask and count how many tree shapes you spot.

bristol.gov.uk | Ashton Court Estate

3

Windmill Hill City Farm

FREE ENTRY • BS3 4EA

Meet farm animals, explore the gardens and enjoy a gentle family visit close to the city.

Try: Let each child choose their favourite animal.

windmillhillcityfarm.org.uk

4

Arnos Vale

FREE ENTRY • BS4 3EW

Explore peaceful wooded paths, old trees and historic trails in this Victorian garden cemetery.

Try: Look for conkers, seed pods and interesting bark.

arnosvale.org.uk

LITTLE AUTUMN CHALLENGE

Choose just one: take a leaf-rubbing, photograph five autumn colours, build a mini nature diary or spot three different birds.

Remember: leave nature where you found it and take litter home.



NestHappy

BRISTOL / AUTUMN

SAVE FOR A RAINY DAY

Rainy-day rescues

When puddles win, try an indoor adventure or a low-cost afternoon at home.

OUT & ABOUT

1

M Shed

FREE • HARBOURSIDE

Explore Bristol stories, objects and displays, then look at the harbour when the rain eases.

Try: Pick one object and invent its story.

bristolmuseums.org.uk/m-shed

2

Bristol Museum & Art Gallery

FREE • QUEENS ROAD

Find art, fossils, dinosaurs and treasures indoors. Some galleries may be closed for works.

Try: Let everyone pick their favourite exhibit.

bristolmuseums.org.uk

3

We The Curious

PAID • HARBOURSIDE

Hands-on science, experiments and discoveries. Book ahead, especially on wet weekends.

Try: Ask one big science question before you go.

wethecurious.org

4

Central Library

FREE • BS1 5TL

A relaxed book-browsing stop with children's reading inspiration and a chance to choose a new story.

Try: Choose a book to read together later.

bristol.gov.uk | Central Library

STAY-IN IDEAS THAT COST VERY LITTLE

Make an autumn collage from fallen leaves • Bake apple crumble together • Build a blanket reading den • Have a family board-game afternoon • Try a rainy-window photography challenge.

Rainy-day kit: snacks, dry socks, a book and a spare plan.

MAKE IT YOUR OWN

Our four autumn weekends

Pick one outing and one cosy activity each weekend. There is no need to fill every hour.

WEEKEND 1

Date: _____

Our adventure: _____

If it rains: _____

One little treat: _____

WEEKEND 2

Date: _____

Our adventure: _____

If it rains: _____

One little treat: _____

WEEKEND 3

Date: _____

Our adventure: _____

If it rains: _____

One little treat: _____

WEEKEND 4

Date: _____

Our adventure: _____

If it rains: _____

One little treat: _____

AUTUMN MINI BUCKET LIST

- ☐ Crunch through leaves
- ☐ Make something together

- ☐ Look for colourful trees
- ☐ Try a new place

Check venue hours, costs, weather and accessibility before travelling. Updated October 2026.